



INDOOR AIR QUALITY IN SCHOOLS:

An Overview of State Policy

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SCHOOL IAQ POLICY: *Background*

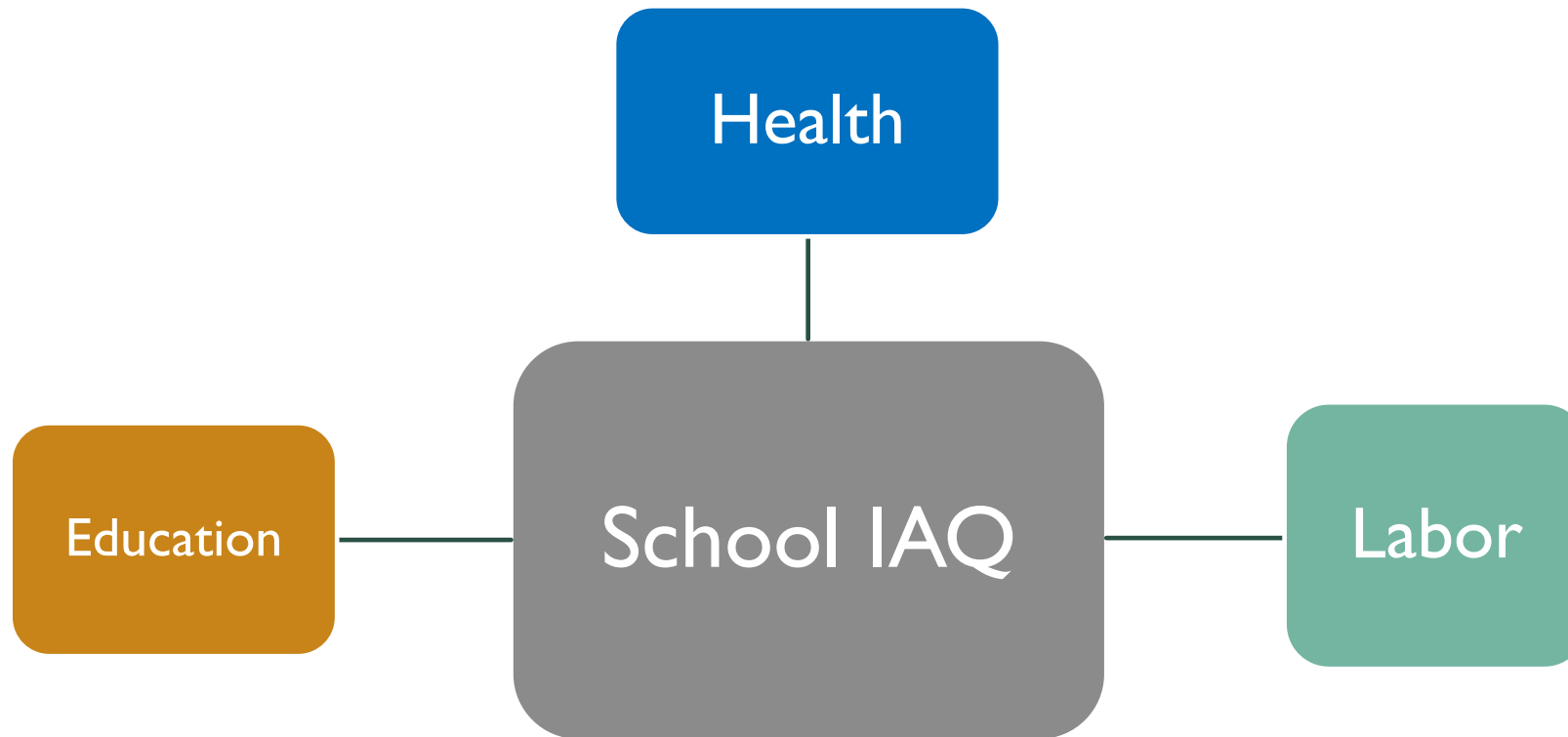
What is “IAQ Policy”?

- Encompasses a broad range of pollutants, products, & practices
- Laws, regulations, guidance

Why is State Policy Important?

- Over 50 million children & millions of staff spend their days in schools
- State policies are important for advancing health, learning & equity

SCHOOL IAQ POLICY: *Principal Areas of State Authority*



SCHOOL IAQ POLICY: *Key Elements*



SCHOOL IAQ POLICY: *Oversight Strategies*

Inspections of School Facilities

- Regular/Periodic vs. Complaint-based
- Key elements: frequency, criteria, follow-up

Reporting on Facility Conditions

- To government agencies
- To the school community

Enforcement

SCHOOL IAQ POLICY: *Pollutants, Products and Practices*

Indoor Pollutants

- *Exs:* asbestos, radon, PCBs, mold/moisture

Products and Practices

- Pesticides
- Cleaning & disinfection
- Ventilation

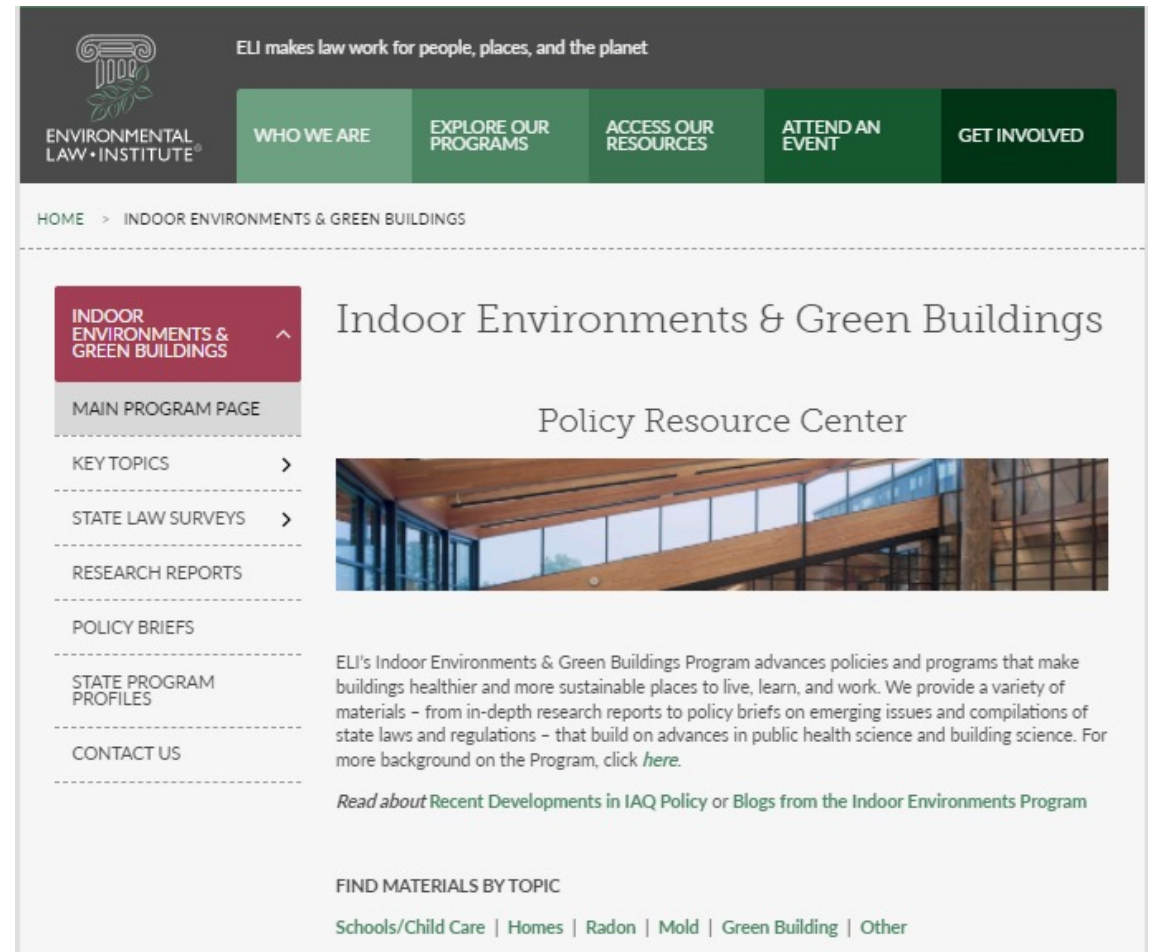
STATE IAQ POLICY: *ELI Materials*

How to Get ELI Materials?

Visit: www.eli.org/buildings

- Search Key Topics
 - School, Child Care, Homes, Radon, Mold
- Browse by Type of Material
 - Research Reports, Policy Briefs, Database of IAQ Laws, Topics in School Environmental Health,

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The screenshot displays the ELI website's navigation and content for the Indoor Environments & Green Buildings program. At the top, the ELI logo and tagline "ELI makes law work for people, places, and the planet" are visible. The main navigation bar includes links for "WHO WE ARE", "EXPLORE OUR PROGRAMS", "ACCESS OUR RESOURCES", "ATTEND AN EVENT", and "GET INVOLVED". Below this, a breadcrumb trail shows "HOME > INDOOR ENVIRONMENTS & GREEN BUILDINGS". The left sidebar contains a menu with "INDOOR ENVIRONMENTS & GREEN BUILDINGS" (highlighted), "MAIN PROGRAM PAGE", "KEY TOPICS", "STATE LAW SURVEYS", "RESEARCH REPORTS", "POLICY BRIEFS", "STATE PROGRAM PROFILES", and "CONTACT US". The main content area features the heading "Indoor Environments & Green Buildings" and "Policy Resource Center" above a photograph of a modern building. Below the photo, a paragraph describes the program's mission: "ELI's Indoor Environments & Green Buildings Program advances policies and programs that make buildings healthier and more sustainable places to live, learn, and work. We provide a variety of materials - from in-depth research reports to policy briefs on emerging issues and compilations of state laws and regulations - that build on advances in public health science and building science. For more background on the Program, click [here](#)." A link to "Read about Recent Developments in IAQ Policy or Blogs from the Indoor Environments Program" is provided. At the bottom, a section titled "FIND MATERIALS BY TOPIC" lists categories: "Schools/Child Care | Homes | Radon | Mold | Green Building | Other".