

Tips for Home Visits in homes where bed bugs may be present

1. Avoid sitting on cloth covered furniture, carpet, etc.
2. Use a tarp or vinyl table cloth for floor activities and to place on their tables
3. Use plastic/vinyl bags or tubs that are easily washed to hold supplies, rather than cloth bags
4. Use an extra bag or tub to hold supplies for that home
5. Leave your coat and personal items in your car, or place them in the bag or tub you brought
6. Schedule that home as your last stop, so you won't transport bugs to another home
7. Clean all items taken into the home as soon as possible
8. Discourage the family from treating for bed bugs themselves, over the counter products and natural remedies generally are stated as non-effective. They need to call an exterminator.
9. Encourage frequent vacuuming, scrubbing, and general cleaning.