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**MISSION STATEMENT  
FOR THE  
RODENTICIDE STAKEHOLDER WORKGROUP**

**MISSION:**

The Rodenticide Stakeholder Workgroup (RSW) will advise the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, through the Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee (PPDC), regarding potential measures to preclude or reduce the occurrence of unintentional exposures of young children to rodenticides in and around residences.

**CONSIDERATIONS:**

After considering information on exposure cases involving rodenticides and children (<6 years of age) in the home environment, the RSW will consider potential measures to preclude or reduce their occurrence. For the purposes of this workgroup, the home environment is defined as places in and around residences. The definition excludes all other registered use sites for rodent control chemicals, including crop and livestock protection, golf course, and commercial institutions.

The final recommendation(s) for precluding or minimizing unintentional exposures involving young children shall be mindful of the following factors:

- public health benefits of rodenticides
- avoiding the creation or aggravation of other human health “hazards”
- recognizing the equity of those who bear the cost and regulatory burden
- considering the overall economy and efficacy