## Goal to Reduce Allergic Symptoms in the Home

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ust Mite	☐ Encase pillow/mattress	☐ Decrease humidity to under 45% with an a/c or dehumidifier	☐ Replace carpet with polished flooring
	☐ Encase box spring (vinyl ok)	☐ Acarosan® once a year	☐ Replace upholstered furniture with wood, vinyl or leather
	☐ Wash bedding/blankets in HOT Water every 7-14 days (if washable)	☐ Tannic Acid Solution on upholstered furniture or rugs every 3 months	☐ Living areas should be above ground and not on slab (carpets on slabs breed musty conditions)
	☐ Place blankets in dryer in for 10 minutes if not washable	☐ Buy HEPA vacuum cleaner	
	☐ Reduce clutter		
	☐ Encase comforters if not washable		
	☐ Vacuum/dust weekly using HEPA filters and double bags		
	☐ Hot water wash or freeze stuffed toys WEEKLY		
Pets	☐ Keep pets out of bedroom and confine the to a washable room (e.g. kitchen or laundry room)	☐ HEPA filter room (put on table)	☐ No new furred or feathered pets
	☐ Keep pet outdoors	☐ HEPA filter central (keep fan in "ON" position)	
	☐ Remove pet	☐ Remove carpet and upholstered furniture if possible (allergens very hard to remove with these present)	
	☐ Close bedroom doors and vents		
	☐ Wash pet 2x per week		
	☐ Wash after contact		
Molds	☐ Dehumidifier in basement	☐ Discard moldy furnishings	☐ Move to above-ground home with lower humidity
	☐ Decrease humidity to 40-60%		
	$\square$ Clean areas with fungicide		
	☐ Dry clothing/shoes before placing them in closet		
	☐ Repair water leaks		
	☐ Plants in moderation		