

The Health Impact of Exterior Maintenance

Neglecting your home's exterior isn't just a cosmetic issue—it can directly impact your family's health.

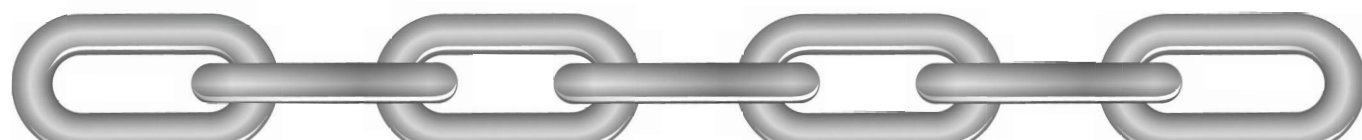
Mold, pests, and poor air quality often start from the outside.

Here's how proactive maintenance makes a difference.



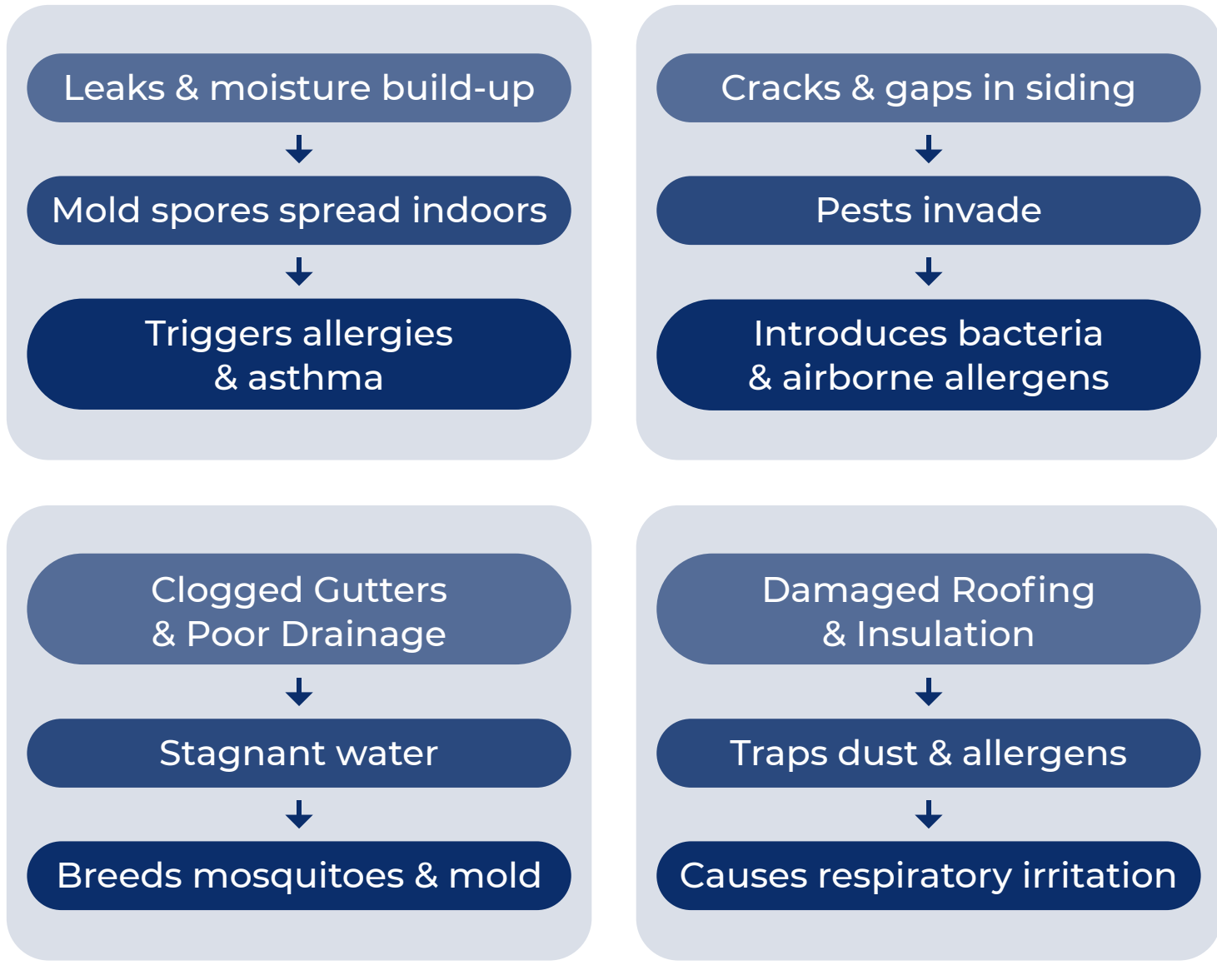
Warning Signs of Exterior Neglect

- Musty Smells Indoors
- Peeling Paint or Warped Siding
- Water Stains on Ceilings/Walls
- Pest Droppings or Scratching Sounds
- Standing Water Around the Foundation



The Chain Reaction:

How Exterior Neglect Leads to Health Issues



Year-Round Maintenance for a Healthier Home



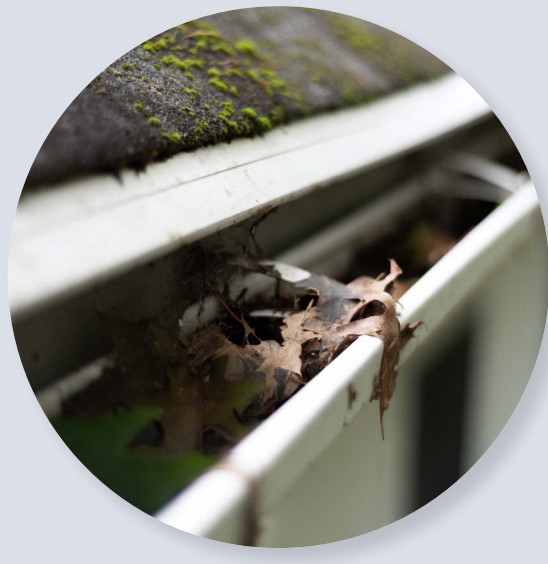
Spring

- Inspect roof, siding, and foundation
- Clean gutters
- Seal gaps to block pests



Summer

- Power wash exterior
- Trim vegetation
- Check drainage



Fall

- Clear gutters
- Seal cracks in siding/foundation
- Weatherproof doors/windows



Winter

- Check insulation & ventilation
- Prevent ice dams
- Ensure airflow in attics/crawl spaces

Cost vs. Consequences:

Why Prevention Pays Off

Maintenance Task	Preventive Cost	Neglect Consequences	Cost of Neglect
Roof Leak Repair	\$700 - \$3,000 ¹	Mold Growth, Indoor Humidity	Mold Remediation: \$2,300+ ⁵
Sealing Gaps	\$105 - \$290 ²	Pest Infestation, Structural Damage	Pest Removal: \$500 - \$1,500+ ^{6,7,8}
Gutter Cleaning	\$119 - \$234 ³	Damage, Foundation Issues	Foundation Repair: \$5,000+ ⁹
Pressure Washing	\$212 - \$447 ⁴	Mold & Algae Growth on Exterior	Respiratory Treatments: \$3,000+ ¹⁰



Resources:

- <https://www.angi.com/articles/cost-to-fix-leaky-roof.htm>
- <https://www.angi.com/articles/cost-to-caulk.htm>
- <https://www.angi.com/articles/how-much-does-gutter-cleaning-cost.htm>
- <https://www.angi.com/articles/how-much-does-it-cost-pressure-wash-house.htm>
- <https://www.angi.com/articles/how-much-does-mold-remediation-service-cost.htm>
- <https://www.angi.com/articles/how-much-does-pest-control-service-cost.htm>
- <https://www.angi.com/articles/how-much-does-bed-bug-extermination-cost.htm>
- <https://www.angi.com/articles/how-much-does-cockroach-extermination-cost.htm>
- <https://www.angi.com/articles/how-much-does-concrete-foundation-cost.htm>
- <https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC5554331/>