Living in cold homes that are hard to keep warm can lead to poor health and fuel poverty. We evaluated a national scheme to improve the energy-efficiency of Welsh homes, to see what impact the work had on conditions inside the home, and the health and wellbeing of the people living there.

Health and Wellbeing

People living in homes which had energy-efficiency work undertaken through the arbed scheme, felt:

That their feelings of wellbeing had improved.



 They were less likely to put up with feeling cold to save costs.



 They were more likely to invite friends or family home during the winter.



 They were more satisfied with the state of repair of their home.

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Temperature and comfort

Having energy-efficiency work helped to improve the energy rating of homes from E to C on average.



During the winter this meant savings of up to £39 per month, while the home.

 Residents were more satisfied with the temperature inside their homes.



 They were more satisfied with indoor air temperature.



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