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## **HOW TO CHOOSE A SAFER PESTICIDE TO MANAGE PESTS**



Traps, baits and gels provide better long-term control of pests because:

- pests take the pesticide back to the nest or hiding places where it kills the whole colony;
- ▶ the pesticide is contained and does not expose staff and children;
- ▶ they last longer than sprays.



Foggers and sprays are less effective because they:

- do not last very long;
- kill pests you can see, but do not kill the nest or pests hiding and breeding in out-of-the-way places;
- ► can spread pesticides throughout your facility and expose children and staff.

