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## New FREE Continuing Education from MMWR and Medscape: Asthma in Children



CDC's MMWR and Medscape are proud to introduce a new [FREE continuing education \(CE\) activity](#) that describe trends and demographic differences in health outcomes and healthcare use for childhood asthma, based on a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) analysis of asthma data from the 2001-2016 National Health Interview Survey for children 17 years and younger.

This activity is intended for pediatricians, pulmonologists, public health officials, nurses, and other clinicians caring for patients with childhood asthma.

Upon completion of this activity, participants will

1. Distinguish demographic differences in prevalence, health outcomes, and healthcare use for childhood asthma, based on a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) analysis of asthma data from the 2001-2016 National Health Interview Survey for children 17 years and younger

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2. Describe temporal trends in health outcomes and healthcare use for childhood asthma, based on the CDC analysis of asthma data
3. Determine the clinical implications of trends and demographic differences in health outcomes and healthcare use for childhood asthma

To access this FREE MMWR / Medscape CE activity visit [https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/cme/medscape\\_cme.html](https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/cme/medscape_cme.html). If you are not a registered user on Medscape, you may register for free or login without a password and get unlimited access to all continuing education activities and other Medscape features.

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## Asthma Educator Institute has been Re-scheduled!

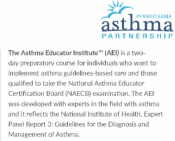


Join Your Local American Lung Association Asthma Educator Institute

**October 18-19, 2018**  
Berks County Community Foundation  
237 Court St., Reading, PA 19601  
\$350 registration fee  
For more information, contact Shelly Cree at [shelly.cree@lung.org](mailto:shelly.cree@lung.org)

*"My objectives were thoroughly met. My knowledge of asthma management was increased. It uncovered my weaknesses and misconceptions and prepared me for the national exam."*

The certificate aligns with the National Asthma Educator Certification (NAECC) Candidate Handbook and includes case reviews, hands-on skills demonstrations and practice.



The Asthma Educator Institute™ (AEI) is a two-day preparatory course for individuals who want to implement asthma guidelines-based care and those qualified to take the National Asthma Educator Certification Board (NAECC) examination. The AEI was developed with experts in the field with asthma and it reflects the National Institute of Health, Expert Panel Report 3 Guidelines for the Diagnosis and Management of Asthma.

AEI is a professional education course that targets frontline healthcare professionals, such as nurses, nurse practitioners, respiratory therapists, physicians, physician assistants, pharmacists, other licensed or credentialed healthcare professionals, and educators with 1000+ direct hours of asthma education who are eligible to take the national asthma certification exam. In addition, the course is a great refresher for AE-C's preparing for recertification.

Applications will be submitted for contact hours for Respiratory Therapists, Registered Nurses, and Certified Health Education Specialists.



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### EVENT DETAILS:

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## Open Airways For Schools



### Open Airways For Schools (OAS) Facilitator Training:

OAS is a school-based curriculum that educates and empowers kids through a fun and interactive approach to asthma self-management. OAS is a recommended component of the American Lung Association's Asthma-Friendly Schools Initiative, a comprehensive approach to managing asthma in schools.

[Pittsburgh, PA: July 26, 2018; 9-11:30am](#)

**\*\*Scholarships Available\*\***

Please contact Shelly Cree at [Shelly.Cree@lung.org](mailto:Shelly.Cree@lung.org) for more information

## Indoor Air Quality Advice for Asthma Awareness Month



Joseph Giannone Plumbing, Heating & Air Conditioning recommends whole-home air cleaners and ultraviolet technology for better indoor air quality during Asthma Awareness Month.

"Oak, birch and maple tree pollen are particularly prevalent during spring season in Philly, and unfortunately

they are frequently the source of misery for many homeowners with allergies and asthma," said Joseph Giannone, owner of Joseph Giannone Plumbing, Heating & Air Conditioning. "During the high pollen counts of May, it's important that residents take action to keep it from invading their homes."

Joseph Giannone Plumbing, Heating & Air Conditioning recommends whole-home air cleaners and ultraviolet light systems as an answer to potential asthma triggers for the following reasons.

[READ MORE!](#)

## Regional Opportunities!



### WESTERN REGION

- LUNG FORCE Expo: Great opportunity to learn more about the latest trends, resources and research surrounding lung cancer, COPD, asthma and other lung diseases: [Pittsburgh, PA- June 7, 2018](#)
- Open Airways For Schools (OAS) Facilitator Training: [Pittsburgh, PA July 26, 2018; 9-11:30AM](#)
- PA LGBTQ Health Conference: Addressing Tobacco and Behavioral Health Disparities: [Pittsburgh, PA June 12-13](#)
- Wellness 4 Schools Summer Symposium: [Pittsburgh, PA June 13; 8am-12pm](#)
- LUNG FORCE Walk/Run: [Pittsburgh, PA-October 27, 2018](#)

### CENTRAL REGION

- Pasta Run: [Harrisburg, PA- June 13, 2018](#)
- PA Allergy & Asthma Association Annual Meeting: [Hershey, PA June 22-24, 2018](#)
- LUNG FORCE Walk/Run: [Harrisburg, PA- November 3, 2018](#)

**If you have an event you would like to share or promote to PA Asthma Partnership members, please email Shelly at [Shelly.Cree@lung.org](mailto:Shelly.Cree@lung.org)!**

**We thank you for your continued participation in the Pennsylvania Asthma Partnership and dedication to supporting Pennsylvanians with asthma across the Commonwealth.**

**Sincerely,**

**John Keith**  
**Program Manager**  
**PA Asthma Partnership**