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Open Airways For Schools- Training Opportunity!



The American Lung Association's Open Airways For Schools® is a school-based curriculum that educates and empowers children through a fun and interactive approach to asthma self-management. It teaches children with asthma ages 8 to 11 how to detect the warning signs of asthma, avoid their triggers and make decisions about their health. Children who complete the Open Airways For Schools program should be able to:

- Take steps to prevent asthma symptoms
- Recognize the symptoms of asthma when they first occur, and carry out appropriate management steps
- Discuss and solve asthma-related problems with parents, medical professionals, teachers and friends
- Feel more confident about taking care of their asthma on a daily basis

Training Dates: **scholarships available!

Friday, June 14th- Camp Hill, PA

Friday, June 21st- Philadelphia, PA

Thursday, July 18th- Camp Hill, PA

Email Shelly Cree for more information! shelly.cree@lung.org

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Asthma and Climate Change: What you Need to Know



Everyone's health is at risk from the impacts of climate change. Changing climate patterns are degrading air quality and increasing the frequency and intensity of certain types of extreme weather such as droughts, floods and wildfires. However, people living with lung disease face greater risks. More than 35 million Americans live with a chronic (long-term or recurring) lung disease. The two most common lung diseases are asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). In the United States more than 26 million people have asthma. Here's what you need to know about asthma and climate change.



Year of Air Pollution & Health



This month during the Year of Air Pollution & Health, the focus is on the unique threats to mothers and children due to air pollution. Children face special risks from air pollution because their lungs are still growing, they are often more active outdoors, and they inhale more air than adults on a body-weight basis. In fact, air pollution affects the development of children before they are even born, with the potential to have lasting consequences. Research has shown that pregnant women exposed to air pollution have an increased risk of preterm birth and having babies with lower birth weights. Protecting clean air is critical to protecting the lifelong health of moms and kids.

With more than 4 million premature deaths globally each year due to outdoor air pollution, and more than 141 million Americans still living in counties with unhealthy air, it's important to remind our friends and family that the fight for healthy air is not over. The good news is that we can all be part of the solution!

The Vape Talk



Over 5,700 kids start vaping every day. Misconceptions, peer pressure and marketing tactics all contribute to the staggering rise. Talk to your

kids about e-cigarettes while they're still willing to listen.

Check out the PA Asthma Partnership Resource Hub!



The PA Asthma Partnership has created a "Resource Hub" for all asthma programs and resources. We welcome resources from all organizations!

Email Shelly at shelly.cree@lung.org to add resources from your organization to share with the Partnership!

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**