

Asthma Pathway (Community)

Respiration

Category	Target	Care Description Note
TGC	Signs/symptoms physical	Training for all environmental and community health staff on asthma
TGC	Environment	Training for all staff on environmental triggers and management
TGC	Environment	Training for home visiting public health nurses about environmental management for families with asthma
TGC	Respiratory care	Training for home visiting public health nurses about asthma management strategies including medications and devices
TGC	Medical/dental care	Training for home visiting public health nurses about local asthma experts (providers)
TGC	Environment	Training for environmental health specialists to conduct "walkthroughs" for homes, schools, and child care centers, identify asthma triggers, and recommend low or no-cost solutions
TGC	Respiratory care	Training for child care providers about asthma management strategies including medications and devices, and environment
TGC	Sickness/injury care	Training for school health personnel on asthma management strategies
TGC	Communication	Public service announcements, Web site, displays, brochures to increase knowledge of the general public about asthma symptoms, asthma triggers, and asthma management at locations such as WIC, immunization, and EPSDT clinics, health fairs, county fairs, worksites
S	Environment	Offer environmental "walkthroughs" to all schools and child care centers to identify asthma triggers, and recommend low or no-cost solutions
CM	Communication	Plan and implement community event to raise awareness of asthma such as "Super Asthma Saturday", "Asthma Walk", "Brown Bag", or "Inhaler Assessment"
CM	Supplies	Provide asthma management supplies to school health offices (peak flow meters, medication delivery devices, nebulizers)
CM	Substance Use Cessation	Advocate for smoke free public policy
CM	Education	Provide asthma-focused student practicum experiences
CM	Communication	Convene and facilitate local asthma coalition

Communication with Community Resources

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CM	Education	Disseminate "Coach's Asthma Clipboard" program – www.winningwithasthma.org to all schools and voluntary athletic organizations
CM	Environment	Work with school districts and other organizations to reduce diesel emissions in school buses (e.g. Project Green Fleet)
CM	Interaction	Coalition building – engaging community partners in asthma coalitions

Health Care Supervision

Category	Target	Care Description Note
S	Signs/symptoms physical	Incidence/prevalence of asthma in community; need for public health intervention to promote current best practices in asthma prevention and management
S	Medical/dental care	Use of current asthma management practices among local health care providers
TGC	Medical prescription	Training for health care professionals in NAEPP asthma management guidelines (including that referrals may be made to smoking cessation programs on behalf of clients)
CM	Interaction	Coalition building – engaging health care providers in coalition