

ASTHMA CONTROL PROGRAM YEAR 2 EVALUATION SUMMARY

The PA Asthma Control Program builds a more equitable future for asthma.

In September 2020, the Pennsylvania (PA) Asthma Control Program (ACP) was awarded a four-year cooperative agreement (NUE1EH001394) from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). This agreement funds the implementation and coordination of the EXHALE technical package. Year 2 activities occurred during September 2021 to August 2022. Established in 2006, the PA ACP is the collective work and interventions of many partners at the state and community levels.

21

entities participate in the PA Asthma Partnership

1,882

people reached at community and online events about indoor air quality

4,825

children potentially impacted by quality improvement activities establishing guidelines-based care

- ◊ Allegheny County Health Department
- ◊ American Lung Association
- ◊ Children's Hospital of Philadelphia Community Asthma Prevention Program
- ◊ Duquesne University Center for Integrated Health
- ◊ Quality Insights
- ◊ Women for a Healthy Environment



Highlights based on select CDC evaluation questions "Strengthen and expand program infrastructure"

Developed the **Asthma Strategic Plan 2021-2026** (goals below) to guide efforts across the state

Established **formal referral pathways** between ACP funded partners

"Leverage partnerships and policies to expand EXHALE strategies with health equity"

Pilot tested **home remediation referrals** to Rebuild Together Pittsburgh in Allegheny County

55 home environment assessments connected families to low-cost solutions to improve indoor air

Common linkages from asthma programs to community resources were **transportation, housing, food, and home remediation**

383



children participated in school-based Asthma Self-Management Education

94



children received home visiting services

Strategic Plan 2021-2026 Goals

- Goal 1** Use data to target the implementation of EXHALE strategies in overburdened communities and populations at high-risk for asthma.
- Goal 2** Collaborate with partners to advocate for policies to improve health care access and quality, and the places where people with asthma live, work, learn, and play.
- Goal 3** Replicate regional and local EXHALE strategies and best practices across the state.
- Goal 4** Increase collaboration between service providers, health care providers, government, and individuals and families with asthma.

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PA DOH contracted with Public Health Management Corporation's (PHMC) Research & Evaluation Group (R&E) to evaluate the ACP for CDC reporting purposes and internal quality improvement.