

Meeting Highlights and Action Plan

Topic	Key Points	Action Items <i>Including Responsible Party/Timeline if applicable</i>
Attendees	Meeting canceled - in order to make the asthma subgroup more easily managed by the diverse membership, future meetings will be via email updates and occasional meetings at CCCHD, if needed.	
	<p>e-mail message to subgroup members: Hello All, The next Asthma Subgroup meeting was scheduled for next week (May 16th), but it might be time to rethink how we manage this group. The last few meetings have had very low attendance for many reasons. After discussing it with the Health Commissioner, I would like to ask for your input on whether or not it is time to rethink actually meeting at the CCCHD every two months.</p> <p>Maybe it would be a better use of your time if we communicated via e-mail? I can provide updates and you can respond to the group with questions, comments, and suggestions? Please let me know what you think.</p> <p>Here is an update of asthma program activities so far:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The School Nurse Training meeting happened on April 27th and was well-attended. Deb Jacobs facilitated several very good speakers and exhibitors. There were also several exhibitors from the Springfield area. We are thinking of planning another training meeting in Fall 2018. Thank-you notes will be sent to all speakers and exhibitors. 2. I attended the Ohio Department of Health's Asthma Strategic Evaluation Planning Team meeting on April 16th. The goal of this group is partly to improve statewide data collection and evaluation for asthma programming. One of the issues I expressed was a concern about accurate asthma numbers for reported ED visits and hospital admissions to allow good data comparisons. 2016-2017 Asthma 	

	<p>Numbers from our in-house epidemiologist are attached. The link to the ODH 2012 asthma numbers for Clark County is: https://www.odh.ohio.gov/-/media/ODH/ASSETS/Files/chss/asthma/Local-Profiles/clark.pdf?la=en</p> <p>3. I also attended the Ohio Department of Health's Asthma Quality Improvement Collaborative meeting on May 4th, which provided updates on asthma programs across the state. I presented information on the Clark County program to this group. The presentation is attached.</p> <p>4. Update on clients served: as of April 25th, the program has served 14 adults and 29 children. Referrals and self-referrals are increasing. If you wish to know more, please ask.</p> <p>5. The program was approved for a second Community Health Foundation grant! This grant has a larger dollar amount to allow the purchase of more supplies and the professional printing of pamphlets. Yea!</p> <p>6. The current asthma program pamphlet is being critiqued by the Ohio Department of Health on its effectiveness to reach our target demographic (African American children and their parents). I will forward a "corrected" copy as soon as possible.</p> <p>7. The asthma program now has a classroom exercise that can be used in 5-6 grade classrooms to discuss lung function, how to protect lungs, CO2 as an indoor and outdoor pollutant, and how a chronic disease like asthma can affect ease of breathing. The exercise uses the same indoor air quality meter as is used during home visits and will be advertised to elementary school science teachers as soon as possible. Let me know if you wish to see it!</p> <p>8. I am scheduled to provide information on the program at three upcoming health fairs/events - The Family Youth Initiatives Safety Day on June 12th, United Senior Services "Lunch-N-Learn" session on June 14th, and Juneteenth Celebration on June 16th.</p> <p>Please contact me with any questions or comments or suggestions for the program. Your input is very important to me and to the success of this program.</p>	
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Next E-mail Update / Meeting:		
June 2018		