

ASTHMA AND RELATED RESOURCES IN NEW HAVEN, CT

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Community-Based Resources				
Program	Organization	Services	Eligibility	Contact Information
Triggers Be Gone	New Haven Health Department	Purchases medical supplies, cleaning supplies, mildew cleaner, swiffers, mops, anti-allergen bedding, air purifiers, spacers, peak flow meters	<p>Meets all of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A low-income, New Haven resident• Lacking health insurance• A diagnosis of asthma <p>Referral Process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Have a health care provider or school nurse fill out the "Triggers Be Gone" asthma referral form• Get referred by the Healthy Homes inspector at the New Haven Health Department. <p>Link to referral form can be found on City of New Haven website: https://www.newhavenct.gov/gov/depts/health/forms.htm</p>	Trusha Patel E-mail: tpatel@newhavenct.gov Phone: 203-946-8191
Putting on AIRS (Asthma Indoor Risk Strategies)	Connecticut Department of Health	Identifies difficult to manage asthma cases, conducts in-home environmental assessments, and reviews patients' asthma action plans and medication regimens to improve disease management. Visit CT Department of Health website for more information: https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Health-Education-Management--Surveillance/Asthma/Putting-on-AIRS	<p>Meets one of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Asthma Control Score < 19 (indicative of poorly controlled asthma)• > 1 ED visit or hospitalization or unscheduled medical visit in the last 6 months due to asthma• Non-adherence to inhaled corticosteroids• Self-administered 3 rescue inhaler canisters in 6 months• Activity limitations due to asthma	Betty Murphy Regional Coordinator Phone: 203-701-4522

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		<u>AIRS--Asthma-Indoor-Risk-Strategies</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• School absences: missed > 2 school days in the last year due to asthma• School nurse's office visits > 2 / week due to asthma• Work absences: missed > 2 work days in the last year due to asthma. Link to referral form	
Livable Cities Initiative	City of New Haven	Inspection of rental property with poor housing conditions, including mold, vermin and poor air quality; enforcement of housing code	Residents of New Haven rental property	Phone: (203) 946-7833 or TTY/TT (203) 946-8582
New Haven Asthma Alliance	Led by the New Haven Health Department with multiple sectors and departments	Camp Easy Breezy: a summer camp for children with asthma Public school nurses undergo intensive training and help develop an "asthma action plan" for students with asthma	Camp Easy Breezy eligibility: Children between the ages of 5-10 with asthma who live in New Haven. Information about 2018 camp available here: https://www.newhavenct.gov/gov/depts/health/news/details.htm?NewsID=485&TargetID=63	Dr. Byron Kennedy, Executive Director, New Haven Health Department E-mail: bkennedy@newhavenct.gov

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Medical Resources				
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Easy Breathing	Connecticut Children's Medical Center	A professional education program that trains pediatric providers to determine asthma severity, utilize treatment protocol guidelines for determining proper therapy, and to develop individual treatment plans.	Program is based in Hartford, but trains providers in New Haven (health care providers and school nurses). Visit here for more information: https://www.connecticutchildrens.org/community-child-health/community-child-health-programs/asthma-center/easy-breathing/	Dr. Jessica Hollenbach Hartford Asthma Center E-mail: JHollenbach@connecticutchildrens.org
Children's Medical Group Asthma Program	Children's Medical Group	A comprehensive asthma program that guides families through diagnosis, treatment and management of the condition. A certified asthma educator works with families and develops an asthma action plan	Pediatric patients of Children's Medical Group.	Children's Medical Group 299 Washington Avenue Hamden, CT 06518 Phone: 203-288-4288 Fax: 203-288-1566

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Fair Haven Community Health Care Asthma Clinic	Fair Haven Community Health Care	A team-based approach to asthma care including Allergy/Immunology specialty assessment, asthma education, and care coordination. This clinic focuses on accurate diagnosis, assessment of environmental triggers, medication management, and social supports. Referrals are made for an in-home assessment as needed.	Children and adults with severe or difficult to control asthma who receive primary care from Fair Haven Community Health Care.	Fair Haven Community Health Care 50 Grand Ave New Haven, CT 06513 Phone: 203-777-4711 Fax: 203-974-0134
Yale Occupational and Environmental Medicine	Yale School of Medicine	The care model is to combine a thorough medical evaluation of patients with a detailed assessment of occupational and/or environmental exposures that could be contributing to the patient's asthma. This may involve a site visit to a worksite or home led by our industrial hygienist. Often this exposure assessment leads to identification of a hazard that can be eliminated or reduced, resulting in an improvement of the patient's clinical condition and a reduction of risk for others.	Adults with asthma suspected to be related to home or environment.	Yale Occupational and Environmental Medicine Clinic 135 College St New Haven, CT 06510 Phone: 203-785-4197

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Yale Center for Asthma and Airway Disease	Yale School of Medicine	Comprehensive multidisciplinary treatment for difficult to control asthma. Access to clinical research trials for eligible patients.	Adults with difficult to control asthma, diagnostic dilemmas, or asthma that is resistant to medication.	Yale Center for Asthma and Airway Disease 300 Cedar St New Haven, CT 06510 Phone: 203-500-3808 Fax: 203-737-1666
Yale Asthma Care Center and the Pediatric Asthma Care Team	Yale School of Medicine	Multidisciplinary pediatric asthma care with attention to communication between healthcare providers	Children with asthma.	Yale Pediatric Pulmonology Phone: 203-785-4081

Legal Resources

Program	Organization	Services	Eligibility	Contact Information
	New Haven Legal Assistance Association (LAA)	LAA provides high-quality legal services to individuals and groups unable to obtain legal services because of limited income, age, disability, discrimination and other barriers. LAA provides representation in the following areas: child protection, education law, family law, housing law (including fair housing), immigration, public benefits, disability rights, workers' rights	Must meet income requirements.	New Haven Legal Assistance Association, Inc. 426 State Street, New Haven, Connecticut 06510-2018 Phone: 203-946-4811 Fax: 203-498-9271 Website: https://nhlegal.org/

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Medical-Legal Partnership Project (MLPP) at Yale New Haven Children's Hospital	Center for Children's Advocacy	<p>MLPP partners with pediatric providers to improve access to care and reduce social and environmental factors – such as substandard housing, inadequate income, disability rights, access to education and health care – that adversely affect children's health.</p> <p>MLPP is on-site at Connecticut Children's Medical Center, Yale-New Haven Hospital, Burgdorf/Bank of America Health Center, and Charter Oak Health Center.</p>	<p>MLPP attorneys provide legal advocacy for low-income families referred by our partner medical providers.</p>	<p>Website: https://cca-ct.org/our-work/aboutus_programs_mlpp/</p> <p>Senior Staff Attorney Alice Rosenthal E-mail: arosenthal@kidscoursei.org 203-688-0113 CCA MLPP at Yale New Haven Hospital</p>
	Statewide Legal Services	<p>Provides free legal advice by phone or online for legal questions about family, public benefits, housing, unemployment and other problems.</p> <p>Will help you understand your legal rights and responsibilities so you can make the right choices for you and your family.</p> <p>Some cases may be referred to other legal aid programs or a volunteer attorney.</p>	<p>Must meet low income requirements. Must be resident of Connecticut. Cannot assist with criminal or immigration problems.</p>	<p>Call-in hours: Monday – Friday 9 am to 12 noon and 1 to 2 pm Toll-free: 1-800-453-3320 From Middletown and Hartford: 860-344-0380</p> <p>Or apply online: http://apply.slsct.org/</p>