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2012 Healthy Homes Training

Essentials for Healthy Homes Practitioner's Course!

On **March 14-15, 2012**, The Delaware County Health Department Asthma Program will offer their annual healthy homes training at the Ball State University Alumni Center. This is a **free** 2-day training with limited seating, preferences will be given to Delaware County professionals, first time attenders, and/or non-profit agencies. Idea trainees are as follows:

Businesses -

- Home Inspectors
- Pest Management Professionals
- Energy Auditors
- Lead-based Paint Inspectors/Risk Assessors
- Asbestos, Radon, and Mold Professionals
- Realtors
- Homebuyer Counselors
- Green Builders, Architects, and Developers,
- Property Management Companies

Health Agencies -

- Environmental Health Professionals
- Code Inspectors
- Visiting Nurses
- Housing Rehabilitation Specialists



The Healthy Homes course is a practical and proven way to ensure the health and safety of homes for children. Trained facilitators from the Marion County Health Department will be conducting the training. For more information please contact Erica Bailey at ebailey@co.delaware.in.us, 765-287-3024, or visit www.co.delaware.in.us/health.

Seven Principles of Healthy Homes

Healthy Homes keeps residents of homes healthier by the following principles:

- **Dry**-Excess moisture creates conditions that affect health
- **Clean**-A clean home help to reduce exposures to pests and contaminants
- **Pest-Free**-Pests can create allergens and be a vector for disease
- **Ventilated**-Fresh air in a home can help with respiratory health
- **Safe**-Children (and older adults) are more prone to injuries in the home that are preventable
- **Contaminant**-Chemical exposures are far greater inside the home and should be avoided such as tobacco smoke
- **Maintained**-Poorly maintained homes are at risk for hazardous conditions like moisture and pests.

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QUARTLEY REFERRAL UPDATES

REFERRALS:

Children's Bureau	1
Head Start	1
Health Fair	1
IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital Family Medicine Residency Center	1
IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital Pediatric & Women's Services	2
Pavilion Pediatrics, LLC	4
Self	2
TOTAL:	12

HOME VISITS:

Scheduled Visits	5
Initial Visits Completed	3
Two Week Follow-Up	1
Three Month Follow-Up	0

Alternate Fax Number for Referrals

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*Additional referral forms can be printed
from this website.*

Indiana State Health Department
Asthma Program

www.asthma.in.gov

Environmental Protection Agency

www.epa.gov/asthma

Centers for Disease Control and
Prevention

www.cdc.gov/asthma

National Jewish Health

www.nationaljewish.org

Allergies and Asthma Network of
Mothers of Asthmatics

www.aanma.org

Upcoming Events

2012 Healthy Homes Training - Ball State University Alumni Center

March 14-15, 2012 - Tentative Schedules: Day 1: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM & Day 2: 8:00 AM - 3:45 PM or

*Day 1: 8:00 AM - 5:30 PM & Day 2: 8:00 AM - 6:30 PM

*Denotes schedule to obtain a "Healthy Homes Specialist Credential"

More information to follow at www.co.delaware.in.us/health or contact Erica Bailey at ebailey@co.delaware.in.us or 765-287-3024

Connecting Health and Housing Programs: Collaborative Efforts to Improve Asthma Outcomes

February 1, 2012 - 2:00 P.M.

A webinar to learn about collaborative efforts that address healthy homes and asthma, To register please visit: www3.gotomeeting.com/register/910896006

FAST FACT: Delaware County rate for emergency room visits for asthma (51.4 per 10,000) in comparison to the other 91 counties in Indiana was ranked in the second highest category (43.5 – 59.3 per 10, 000).



Source: The Burden of Asthma in Indiana. Indiana State Department of Health (2011), found at www.asthma.in.gov

Announcements

Minnesota Department of Health Asthma Program - online home environmental triggers course! Please visit: www.retahome.org

- Reducing Environmental Triggers of Asthma (RETA) was a Minnesota Department of Health Asthma Program project that addressed environmental factors in the homes of children with asthma using inexpensive and uncomplicated interventions.

Minnesota Department of Health Asthma Program - create an online Asthma Action Plan for your patient! Please visit: www.asthma-iaap.com

The Minnesota Department of Health has developed an interactive Asthma Action Plan (iAAP) providers can use for their patients. The iAAP initiative can be downloaded or used online.

National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute - Guidelines for Diagnosis and Management of Asthma (EPR-3). Please visit: www.nhlbi.nih.gov/guidelines/asthma/

- Be compliant with the updated recommendations, it was published make sure you are current on the latest practices for asthma.

Asthma in the Primary Care Practice - Please visit: jeny.ipro.org/files/Asthma/

Provided by the New York State Health Department

- This step-by step video tutorial is intended to assist the clinician, in applying the key concepts of the updated recommendations of the EPR-3 into your practice.