



THE CHILDREN'S
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Fall Asthma Are your patients ready?

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Dear Pharmacist,

For some children, summer can feel like a vacation from asthma. But with the arrival of fall, many triggers put children at risk for asthma exacerbations, particularly children who are not using a controller medication on an ongoing basis.

Pharmacists are in a perfect position to identify families who would benefit from asthma education or ongoing support to better manage their asthma.

The Children's Asthma Education Centre welcomes referrals from pharmacists. Referrals can be made by fax or phone. Feedback will be provided to referring pharmacists to better promote continuity of care for the patient.

We have attached a poster for your waiting/patient counseling area. A colored printed version of the poster and faxable Tear-off referral sheets can also be provided on request. Simply call us at 787-2551 or email @ [.caec@hsc.mb.ca](mailto:caec@hsc.mb.ca).

We look forward to being of assistance to you and your patients!
Sincerely,

Jo-Anne St-Vincent RN, BN, CAE
The Children's Asthma Education Centre



Who are we?

- Our primary responsibility is to provide asthma education to children (birth to 17 years) and their families.

What asthma education programs are provided?

- Individual education to children and their family in our centre or at some primary care practitioner's offices. Individual asthma education can be offered in **English or in French**.
- "Family Asthma Program" - a series of evening education sessions. Classes are tailored to the unique needs of different age groups.
- RAP (The Roaring Adventures of Puff), a school based asthma education program.

What other resources are available?

- **Quarterly newsletter**
- **Websites:** www.asthma-education.com, www.teen-asthma.com.
- Series of pamphlets related to asthma and allergies,
- "Ask the Educator" online service (through the website) or by phone.
- **Provincial Outreach Coordinator**

How can we help you?

- We can provide teaching to children and families who you feel would benefit from more education related to asthma management or use of medications.
- Families can be referred by any health professional. **Information is provided to the child's physician and referral source following education.**

Is there a fee?

- No, all services are offered free of charge.

How can you contact the Children's Asthma Education Centre?

- We can be contacted by:
 - phone at 787-2551 or 1-888-554-1141
 - fax at 787-5040
 - email @ caec@hsc.mb.ca
 - Check out our websites at www.asthma-education.com
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