



801 Program Guidance

Part III: Asthma Management SLIMs

AS 1.

The percentage of schools that have ever assessed their asthma policies, activities, and programs by using the School Health Index or similar self-assessment tool.

AS 2.

The percentage of schools in which students' family or community members have helped develop or implement asthma management policies and programs.

AS 3.

The percentage of schools that have on file an asthma action plan for all students with known asthma.

AS 4.

The percentage of schools that implement a policy permitting students to carry and self administer asthma medications in both of the following ways:

- Communicate the policy to students, parents and families
- Designate an individual responsible for implementing the policy

AS 5.

The percentage of schools requiring that all school staff members receive training on recognizing and responding to severe asthma symptoms that require immediate action, as a part of annual staff development.

AS 6.

The percentage of schools that have a full-time registered school nurse on-site during school hours.

AS 7.

The percentage of schools that have a designated and secure storage location for quick relief asthma medications that is accessible at all times by the school nurse or his/her designee.

AS 8.

The percentage of schools that identify students diagnosed with asthma using two or more sources of school health information (e.g., student emergency cards, medication records, health room visit information, emergency care plans, physical exam forms, parent notes).

AS 9.

The percentage of schools that identify students with poorly controlled asthma by keeping track of them in at least three of the following ways:

- Frequent absences from school.
- Frequent visits to the school health office due to asthma.
- Frequent asthma symptoms at school.
- Frequent non-participation in physical education class due to asthma.
- Students sent home early due to asthma.
- Calls from school to 911, or other local emergency numbers, due to asthma.

AS 10.

The percentage of schools that provide intensive case management for students with poorly controlled asthma at school. These intensive services should include all of the following:

- Providing referrals to primary healthcare clinicians or child health insurance programs.
- Ensuring an appropriate written asthma action plan is obtained.
- Ensuring access to and appropriate use of asthma medications, spacers, and peak flow meters at school.
- Offering asthma education for the student with asthma and his/her family.
- Minimizing asthma triggers in the school environment.
- Addressing social and emotional issues related to asthma.
- Providing additional psychosocial counseling or support services as needed.
- Ensuring access to safe, enjoyable physical education and activity.
- Ensuring access to preventive medications before physical activity.

AS 11.

The percentage of schools that provide parents and families of students with asthma information to increase their knowledge about asthma management.