Asthma affects about 1 in 12 children ages 0-17 in the U.S.
Asthma hospitalizations for children decreased by 50% from 2003 to 2013.
Despite this progress, 1 in 6 children with asthma still ends up in the Emergency Department each year.
Here’s what parents, caregivers and children can do.
Learn about asthma, how to manage it and how to recognize the warning signs of an asthma attack.
Take steps to reduce asthma triggers at home, especially never smoke around children.
Make sure children use their asthma controller medicine as prescribed.
Communicate the child’s asthma action plan with schools, caregivers and healthcare providers.
For more information, visit www.cdc.gov/vitalsigns.