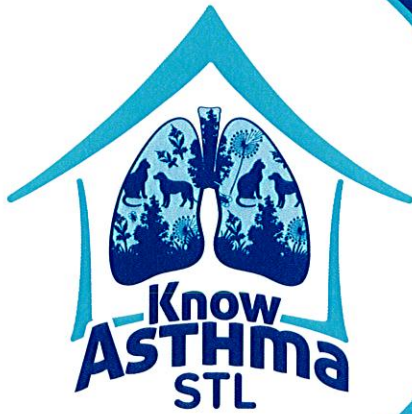


# MAY IS ASTHMA AWARENESS MONTH



In the United States alone, an average of one out of every 10 school-aged children has asthma. Asthma remains a common, chronic health issue in the St. Louis Region. In St. Louis County, the asthma and bronchiolitis hospital admission rate among youth is 402 per 10,000 people and that is greater than the state rate of 385. Emergency department visits for children in St. Louis County are one and a half times higher than in the State of Missouri as a whole.

In response to these alarming statistics, and in an effort to raise public awareness of the risks faced everyday by over 24 million Americans living with asthma, the Saint Louis County Department of Public Health's Community-Based Asthma Care Program is joining with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to participate in Asthma Awareness Month!

We also invite you to participate in our free Asthma Program. If you would like to receive more information on the environmental triggers of asthma and/or on asthma management, please call our program at 314-615-5323.

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