

**ASTHMA COALITION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
GENERAL COALITION MEETING**

**Meeting Notes
April 28, 2014**

ISSUE/TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION/FINDINGS
<p>Welcome & Introductions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review and approve minutes • Introduce Voting Forms for Election • Membership Agreement Reminder 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Loretta opened the meeting at 1:15pm. • The minutes were approved as written. • The Voting forms and the membership agreement forms were discussed 	
<p>General Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Status of the ACLAC Strategic Plan • ACLAC actions and legislative support • Status of PIF proposal • Asthma Awareness Month event • Facebook Page updates • Meeting evaluation update 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Loretta gave updates on the Coalition since the October general meeting. • The ACLAC Strategic Plan is completed and the printed document was disseminated. • The ACLAC signed on to three ALA letters of support to the CA Air Resources Board regarding transportation and electric vehicle access. • The PIF proposal was approved and granted! The ACLAC clinical work group, ALA, and DHS will be working on this project which will focus on DHS providers in the Antelope Valley. • The ACLAC will develop and implement an event for Asthma Awareness Month on May 20. Esperanza Community Housing Corporation will spearhead the event, which will focus on outdoor air quality, specifically the toxic effects of urban oil drilling. • Loretta gave an update on the expansion of the FB page, requesting members to send her information, research, news, and events for posting. • Loretta discussed the updated meeting evaluation and its importance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Loretta will post the strategic plan and general meeting presentations on the website. • Legislative updates will be posted to website. • Loretta will send the flier for the event, as well as a Facebook update as the event date gets closer. • Continue to update FB page • Continue to monitor evaluations and encourage participants to complete evaluations
<p>Coalition Dialogue</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organization updates • Success stories 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LAUSD – Health and Safety partnered with media classes in LAUSD high schools to develop several film pieces on indoor air quality issues. These film pieces are currently in post-production and they are hoping to have them air on KLCS, the local district station. • City of Long Beach Health Department – In October there will be a Port-funded grant opportunity to survey participants on asthma. It will be an online survey that will provide data on past asthma symptoms and medication usage, as well as triggers. Participants will receive a 30-day bus pass for participating. • City of Long Beach Health Department – A Healthy Homes grant in the fall will focus on bringing back the Junior Inspector program, allowing more 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to provide status updates on projects that were shared at the meeting.

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	<p>youth to be trained in home inspection strategies.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coalition for Clean Air – June 20th luncheon event for people who have dedicated their lives to improve air quality 	
Presentation: Asthma Update, Dr. Sande Okelo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Okelo presented asthma data and their specific impact on Los Angeles County. He discussed the National Institutes of Health criteria for diagnosing asthma He also presented information on how best to use an asthma questionnaire to measure asthma control, and how to identify the causes of uncontrolled asthma in children 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation slides will be available on the ACLAC website at www.asthmacoalitionla.org.
Presentation: Foothill Transit, Linda Apodaca	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Linda Apodaca provided an overview of the Foothill Transit system, their green initiatives, and their reduced environmental impact due to the companies integrated green buildings, work spaces, and transit. Foothill Transit will be seeking LEED Certification for their headquarters soon. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation slides will be available on the ACLAC website at www.asthmacoalitionla.org.
Announcements from the Floor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Janet Scully from MCAH shared a request from a community member to find resources regarding support groups for people with asthma. Long Beach DHHS’s Asthma Program is celebrating World Asthma Day with several events on May 6. These events will take place throughout Long Beach at five different locations. Long Beach DHHS will also be hosting an Asthma Resource Fair in conjunction with LBACA, Miller’s Children Hospital, The Children’s Clinic, and St. Mary’s on May 17 at Admiral Kidd Park in Long Beach from 10-2pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Loretta if you have information regarding support groups and it will be send out to the coalition More information on events, call (562) 570-1356
Workgroup Break-Out Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Break-out sessions were held for each of the four main work groups. No Community Health Worker work group was held at this meeting. There was interest stated from five members to revisit this in July. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updated work group rosters will be sent out to work group co-chairs
Announce New Steering Committee Announce New Co-Chairs Meeting Evaluations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Francisco Covarrubias was announced as the new Co-Chair Ashley Kissinger was announced as the new Indoor Air work group co-chair Patricia Ochoa and Gary Rachelefsky were introduced as new steering committee members. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An updated roster will be sent out

Recorded by Janet Scully and Loretta Worthington