

# ASTHMA COALITION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY GENERAL COALITION MEETING

**Meeting Notes  
January 23, 2012**

ISSUE/TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION/FINDINGS
<b>Welcome and Introductions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review minutes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting was called to order at 1:15 PM</li> <li>• Minutes were reviewed and approved with no corrections</li> </ul>	
<b>Clean Cars Campaign Update:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>CARB Hearings January 26-27!</b></li> <li>• How the Asthma Coalition is supporting the Clean Cars Campaign</li> <li>• How you and your organization can support the Campaign</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Zachery Scott presented information about CARB regulations and the four components that it would require:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) reduction in greenhouse gas emissions</li> <li>2) reduction in smog forming emissions</li> <li>3) provide incentives for zero emissions vehicles (ZEV)</li> <li>4) increased availability of fuels for ZEV</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	<p>Asked for members to attend CARB hearings and provide letters of support on behalf of the coalition or their organization</p>
<b>ACLAC Strategic Plan Update and Refinement</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Our Strategic Planning Process</li> <li>• Steering Committee Retreat</li> <li>• Recent Accomplishments</li> <li>• Overview of the 4 workgroups</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anne described the coalition self-assessment and outcomes, including the 100% focus on policy and advocacy and the identified need for members to understand organizational structure and decision-making process</li> <li>• Challenged by lack of full-time funded coordinator</li> <li>• Gave overview of strategic plan, including focus on disparities and social determinants of health, which are issues that are affected by policy and advocacy</li> <li>• Establishment of 4 priority areas: Health Care/Clinical Setting, Indoor Environments, Asthma Friendly Schools, and Outdoor Environment.</li> <li>• Reviewed steering committee retreat and the opportunity it allowed for re-connecting to the strategic plan, identifying areas for adjustment in the plan, celebrating the accomplishments of the workgroups and coalition, and beginning to develop roadmap for 2012.</li> <li>• Outcomes of steering committee retreat:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Plan to have strategic plan updated and finalized by 2/29/2012</li> <li>2. Created plan to re-engage workgroups</li> <li>3. Established a fundraising committee to work on coalition sustainability</li> <li>4. Generated a list of potential new coalition members.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• Accomplishments:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Convened 4 successful asthma coalition meetings</li> <li>• Launched the Asthma Coalition Facebook Page</li> <li>• Developed a logic model and finalized a logo for the asthma coalition</li> <li>• Planned the inaugural Southern California Regional Meeting of Asthma Coalitions</li> <li>• Provided public testimony at the SCAG meeting</li> <li>• Katie provided overview of goals, objectives and successes of the Indoor Air Quality Workgroup</li> <li>• Dr. Vinetz provided an overview of the clinical workgroup, the challenges in organizing the</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Members invited to join workgroup breakout sessions for further discussion of coalition strategic planning</p>

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	<p>committee, and some potential objectives for 2012</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yolanda Cuevas provided update on the Asthma Friendly Schools Workgroup, including the school nurse survey, LAUSD Medication Bulletin, PUSD Asthma Management Policy</li> <li>• Zachery Scott presented information about the outdoor air quality workgroup’s goals, and activities</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Workgroup Activity: plan objectives for 2012 and beyond</b></p>	<p>Workgroups broke out into groups and shared</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Schools – promoting asthma action plans, promotora education provided to families, allow community health workers to attend workgroup meetings, developing school policy/bulletin to improve asthma management in schools, prefer in-person meetings, educate PE teachers and provide guidelines for PE teachers (especially in elementary schools)</li> <li>• Clinical – Asked for suggestions for workgroup topics/objectives, responses included advocating for funding streams for asthma education (including tiered training of asthma educators), educating physicians and other clinical providers about asthma education in the clinical setting, asthma coaches, providing policy and advocacy response for legislation, developing universal asthma action plan for LA County, identifying or creating asthma screening tool to identify people likely to have asthma, updating CHDP provider asthma toolkit. Outreach to physicians, nurse practitioners, PA, promotoras, school nurses, health insurance companies, breathmobile, private organizations, etc.</li> <li>• Outdoor Air – Discussed what is already going on in current coalition (South Bay Fresh Air Coalition), idling of busses at schools or trucks at ports (policy exists in LAUSD, but unsure of enforcement), air quality index and how it affects children, monthly conference call.</li> <li>• Indoor Air – Had diverse group of stakeholders participate, discussed direct activities that organizations are doing like home visitation programs, lead hazard prevention, tenant organizing, etc. and discussed larger issues that the workgroup might be able to support or address through advocacy, including addressing the varied and fragmented housing codes across the multiple LA County jurisdictions, the provision of letters to landlords from clinical providers, and the healthy housing training provided by DPH</li> </ul>	<p>Workgroups will schedule meetings to follow up on discussion.</p>
<p><b>General Updates:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CDC PHPS Fellow Application Submitted</li> <li>• CAFA funding for World Asthma Day activities</li> <li>• Financial Report</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For World Asthma Day, Anne mentioned that the St. John’s collaborative is interested in doing a healthy housing walk through activity where local leaders, media, and tenants could walk through an example of housing that is affecting the health condition of residents.</li> </ul>	<p>Would like to partner with coalition member organizations on World Asthma Day</p>
<p><b>Announcements from the Floor</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roberta CHLA – Is interested in setting up grand rounds at CHLA to discuss asthma from public health issue with providers and will provide more information to coalition.</li> <li>• Lisa Diaz from LA Care – LA Care acquired Community Health Plan members, which will increase their membership to include a total of 24,000 people with asthma, they have also revised their asthma action plan to be more readable.</li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anne from St. John's – Announced California Health Housing Coalition's Annual Meeting on Friday, March 9<sup>th</sup> in San Diego. Travel stipends are available through RAMP. Questions can be directed to Brandon Kitagawa from RAMP.</li> <li>• Anne also announced a Groundbreaking Celebration to be held at St. John's on January 25<sup>th</sup> at 10am at 5701 S. Hoover Street, Los Angeles, CA</li> <li>• Yolanda from LAUSD announced a district Indoor Air Quality meeting to be held Thursday, January 26<sup>th</sup> at 10 am. Address: 1430 San Julian, Los Angeles</li> <li>• Dr. Vinetz and Zachery made a final request to coalition members to submit a letter of support or testimony at the CARB hearings on Thursday and Friday.</li> </ul>	

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