

1st March 2023

Dear Welfare, Medical Officer, Head Teacher, SENCO

‘Enfield Asthma Friendly Schools Initiative’

The Enfield’s Children and Young People’s Asthma Strategic Plan invites all its schools to achieve ‘Asthma Friendly Schools’ status. This initiative is part of our strategy to improve the management of asthma within our community. We are working closely with the School Nursing services to identify children and young people (CYP) whose asthma may be causing concern.

What does this mean for your school?

‘Asthma Friendly School’ status will be awarded annually to schools achieving the following:

- Named ‘Asthma Champion’ – individual responsible for asthma in school
 - Responsible for linking with community asthma services
 - Attends annual Schools Asthma Workshop
- Register of all known asthmatics
- Clear asthma policy
- Accessible inhalers for all children with asthma
- Annual whole school staff training – minimum of 85% staff attendance
- Display of emergency plan
- Emergency Inhaler Kits
- Annual asthma audit completed with the school Nurse

Part of this project relates to identifying children and young people whose asthma is not well controlled. Early Intervention of these CYP will help to improve the management of children with asthma.

We are running workshops for school welfare staff, who are probably ideally placed to be the Asthma Champion within the school setting. These will be held virtually via

MS teams on the following dates: -

April 2023

Monday 24th

Wednesday 26th 09:30 – 11:30 (AM) Only

May 2023

Thursday 4th

Thursday 11th

Monday 15th

Tuesday 23rd

Sessions will be either 09:30 – 11:30am **or 13:30- 15:30, the session time is dependent on majority participants' availability or requests. You are only required to attend 1 session.*

If you would like any further information, please contact Tamanna Begum on: rf-tr.enfieldasthmafriendlysch@nhs.net

Further information about Asthma Friendly Schools can be found here: [London-schools-guide-for-the-care-of-CYP-with-Asthma.pdf \(healthylondon.org\)](https://www.healthylondon.org/london-schools-guide-for-the-care-of-CYP-with-Asthma.pdf)

Yours sincerely,

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