

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

**Barlow Respiratory Hospital – 2000 Stadium Way, Los Angeles CA 90026
Meeting Minutes
April 27, 2015**

ISSUE/TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION/FINDINGS
<p>Welcome & Introductions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thank you to Barlow Respiratory Hospital! • Review and approve minutes • Greet new members 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting was opened at 1:15 by Loretta Worthington • A thank you was provided to Barlow Respiratory Hospital and staff for their generous hosting of the meeting today and for donating such a great lunch! • Minutes from January’s meeting were approved • Several new members were present and welcomed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership forms can be found on our website • A copy of the minutes will be available on our website - www.asthmacoalitionLA.org
<p>General Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy updates • ACLAC Nominations update • PIF Update • Asthma Awareness Month events – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 2 - Long Beach Asthma Resources Fair ○ May 5 - BREATHE California of L.A. Asthma Symposium ○ May 15-17 - Comedy Sportz Show and Health Fair • ACLAC Auction – May/June 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Loretta provided policy updates on several policies – specifically: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ AB 389 - Hospital Language Assistance Services ○ SB 328 -Tenant’s Right to Know: Pesticide Use - would ensure a tenant’s right to know and require landlords and property managers to provide tenants with notification of the pest being targeted, the pesticide being used, symptoms of pesticide poisoning, and emergency poison control contact information ○ SB 655 – Mold - ensures that mold would be added as an explicit category under the Health and Safety Code 17920.3, and would require the landlord to take action. • ACLAC signed on to a health letter urging U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to protect the health of the public with an adequate margin of safety by setting the ozone standard at 60 parts per billion (ppb). • ACLAC will have nominations for Steering Committee members and Co-Chairs of the coalition at the July 27 ACLAC meeting. We are seeking several new steering committee members and a co-chair. • An update was provided for the PIF fall training and the current status of the technical assistance portion of the project. ALA is currently seeking an Asthma Coach to provide the TA to training participants, and the position will be a 6-month short-term project. • Next weekend is the LB Asthma Health Resources fair. ACLAC will have a booth • An online auction is planned for the month of June to raise funds for the coalition. ACLAC will use Winning Cause for the online site. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you wish to nominate yourself or another for steering committee or co-chair, please contact Loretta Worthington or Dr. Scott Takahashi • If you are interested in the position of Asthma Coach, please contact Loretta • May 5th is the BREATHE CA Asthma Symposium at CA Science Center. Dr. Scott Takahashi will be the main speaker. Tickets are still available. • If you are interested in collaborating on a booth for LB Asthma Fair, or if you want a table at the Comedy Sportz event health fair, please let Loretta know today before you leave. • Tickets are available for the Comedy Sportz shows on May

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		15-17. They are \$25 each and include food and the health fair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any auction donations should be given to the Steering Committee members or Loretta
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ADD ON ITEM – Tory Berger, WeHo Smoke-free multi-unit housing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tory Berger, from West Hollywood Smoke-free Multi-Unit Housing Task Force, provided materials and information on smoke-free housing efforts in West Hollywood, requesting that anyone who wishes to support their efforts to please contact him Tory wants to explore the needs of stakeholders involved in the second hand smoke issue, including those that fear an ordinance may infringe upon personal rights or might be used to unjustly evict tenants. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contact Tory at 4light@gmail.com for more information about the WeHo campaign
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation: Asthma Management Starts with Asthma Screening 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tim Strom, RTC provided an informative presentation on asthma screenings and the importance of utilizing a thorough asthma screening in the diagnosis and treatment of asthma 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If you would like to view the presentation, please visit our website.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workgroup discussion – overview of work plans, input from members 	<p style="text-align: center;">Ideas of interest for ACLAC workgroups</p> <p>Clinical/Health Care –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shift some emphasis to higher SES populations/communities – not only those in poverty need asthma education, and maybe those in the Westside could pay from some classes, education, training, etc Develop or collaborate with asthma camps (ALA will not do them anymore after 2015) – perhaps look into Painted Turtle Implement training for consistent screening of EIB/EIA (exercise induced asthma) – develop criteria for screening regularly Asthma health education with foster families and group homes More provider trainings A pilot project utilizing RTs for case management of repeat ER visitors with uncontrolled asthma Develop some resident projects – Dr. Roberta Kato suggested coming up with a dozen or so research questions that medical residents can use for their research <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What research questions do we want answered? What research and data gaps do we see and how do we fill them? 	Work with steering committee and workgroups to select projects to work on over 2015/2016

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	<p>Schools –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shift the focus to schools in other areas (not low-SES) • More asthma camps for students with asthma • Educating camp staff at other camp experiences so that those children with asthma can attend • Regular Screening of students for EIB to assist in the physical activity of youth at school • Education of after school staff <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ After school programs that include asthma education <p>Indoor Air Quality –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More CHW trainings – get other CHWs trained, not just those working within asthma programs • Reach out to families of asthmatics for involvement • Bilingual materials on indoor air triggers • CHWs should have access to the families’ providers to share their indoor environmental assessments and information <p>Outdoor Air Quality –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walkable/livable neighborhoods • Reduced air pollution • Reduce oil drilling and other toxic sites • Policy group for ACLAC 	
Drawing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Janet Scully donated 2 tickets to the Comedy Sportz shows for the drawing and two lucky ACLAC members won! THANK YOU, JANET! 	
Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long beach Asthma Health Resources Fair will be held on May 2 and will be in a new location with a larger attendance expected • This will be the last summer for Scamp Camp, and is focusing on youth from Long Beach area 	

Recorded by Loretta Worthington