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Provider Bulletin: Asthma Mitigation Project

Dear Provider,

Kern Family Health Care (KFHC) has partnered with Central California Asthma Collaborative (CCAC) and Community Action Partnership of Kern (CAPK) to offer the Asthma Mitigation Project (AMP) to at least 230 KFHC members with high-risk asthma. AMP is a statewide, grant-funded program that prioritizes asthma home visiting services and education for low-income populations and communities of color. For KFHC members, AMP will include an asthma home visiting service called the Asthma Impact Model and community resource referrals to 2-1-1 Kern County and other CAPK programs.

AMP is being offered as a year-long program for each KFHC member who enrolls. The asthma home visiting service offered by CCAC's asthma trained team includes, but is not limited to:

- ✓ Quarterly home visits
- ✓ Follow up calls in between the home visits
- ✓ An asthma control assessment and a home environmental assessment
- ✓ Education on proper use of asthma medication and management of home asthma triggers
- ✓ Assistance with medical appointment scheduling
- ✓ Communication with landlords about needed asthma-related home repairs

KFHC members who participate can receive incentives, such as:

- ✓ Up to \$140 in gift cards for completing home visits
- ✓ Hypoallergenic pillowcases, asthma friendly cleaning supplies, a HEPA filter vacuum cleaner, and
- ✓ A spacer for a metered dose inhaler

If members need referrals to community resources, such as food assistance, housing, financial relief, legal aid, etc., the CCAC community health worker can refer the member to 2-1-1 Kern County or directly to specific CAPK programs.

Member eligibility for AMP is based on health care and medication utilization history in the past 12 months. To be eligible, members must meet one of the following criteria:

1. An inpatient hospitalization with asthma as a diagnosis
2. 2 emergency department events with an asthma diagnosis
3. 2 urgent care visits with an asthma diagnosis
4. An asthma medication ratio of less than 0.5

This program will last through May 2023.



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KFHC primary care providers (PCPs) are encouraged to discuss the benefits of participating in AMP with any patients who are enrolled in AMP. When KFHC members enroll in AMP, a fax notification will be sent to the member's PCP for the initial program enrollment and for each home visit outcome. These fax notifications can be viewed in the KFHC Provider Portal. When AMP reaches enrollment capacity of 230 members, KFHC will send another provider bulletin to the PCPs of the enrolled members. The bulletin will include information about how PCPs can check the status of member program participation, such as home visits and follow up calls.

For more information about this program or to find out if any of your patients are eligible for AMP, you can contact your KFHC Provider Relations Representative or Carlos Bello, KFHC Senior Member Health Educator at (661) 664-5079.

Thank you,

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AMP Asthma Mitigation Project

The purpose of **AMP** is to improve the management of asthma and reduce asthma emergencies in Kern County.

*How can I qualify to be in this **FREE** program?*

- Do you or does your child have asthma or suspect you have asthma?
- Do you live within Kern County?

If you answered yes to all these questions, you qualify to participate in the program!

What are the benefits of AMP?

The program is completely **FREE!** You may also qualify for great **FREE** incentives:

- A total of \$140 in gift cards for participation
- Hypoallergenic pillowcase
- Spacer for inhaler
- HEPA vacuum cleaner
- Asthma-safe cleaning supplies



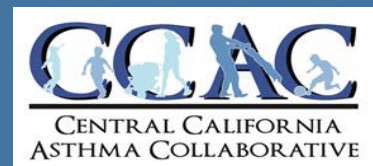
“After the home assessment, it has been about a year since my son had any symptoms.”

– Janet Magaña- (AMP Participant)

Contact us today for more information and to receive a free home assessment.

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El propósito de **AMP** es mejorar el control del asma y reducir el número de emergencias causadas por el asma en el Condado de Kern.

¿Como puedo calificar para estar en el programa?

- ¿Usted o su hijo/a tiene o sospecha de tener asma?
- ¿Usted vive en el Condado de Kern?

Si usted ha contestado sí a todas estas preguntas, ¡usted califica para participar en el programa!

¿Cuáles son los beneficios de AMP?

¡El programa es completamente **GRATIS!**
Usted también podría calificar para grandes incentivos **GRATIS:**

- Un total de \$140 en tarjetas de regalo por su participación
- Funda de almohada hipoalergénica
- Espaciador de inhalador
- Una aspiradora HEPA
- Productos de limpieza amigables para el asma



“Después de la evaluación del hogar, ha pasado un año desde que mi hijo tuvo síntomas de asma.”

*– Janet Magaña –
(Participante de AMP)*

Contáctenos hoy para más información y para recibir una evaluación del hogar gratis.

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