

Region 6 INDOOR AIR / ASTHMA Breakout Session



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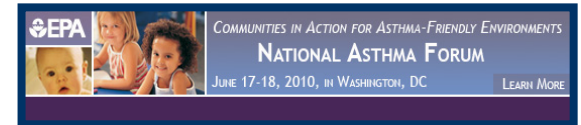
Indoor Air Quality and You

- Most of us spend much of our time indoors.
- Several sources of air pollution are in homes, schools, and offices.
- Understanding and controlling some of the common pollutants found in homes, schools, and offices may help improve your indoor environment.
- Common Sources of Poor Indoor Environments:
 - **Biological and Chemical Contaminants**
 - **Asthma Triggers**
 - **Radon and Radon Gas**
 - **Lead Based Material**



EPA's Asthma Program

- Programs and publications for various audiences
- Public service announcements and toll-free information line
- National Partnerships
- Competitive Grants
- Communities in Action for Asthma-Friendly Environments.
<http://www.asthmacommunitynetwork.org/>
- IAQ Tribal Partners Program
<http://www.epa.gov/iaqtribal/index.html>
- 2011 Asthma Forum
<http://www.epa.gov/asthma/forum.html>

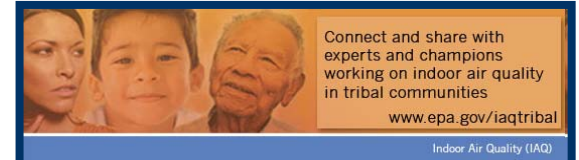


**“WHEN I HAVE AN
ASTHMA ATTACK
I FEEL LIKE A FISH
WITH NO WATER.”**

—JESSE, AGE 5



ATTACK ASTHMA. ACT NOW.
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WWW.NOATTACKS.ORG



Indoor Air Quality (IAQ)

Healthy Homes/Buildings

- **IAQ in Homes/Residence**

- Green and Healthy Homes Initiative
(push for community focused areas)
- Indoor airPlus
- Radon-Resistant New Construction.

<http://www.epa.gov/indoorairplus/index.html>

<http://www.epa.gov/radon/rnrc/index.html>

- **IAQ in Buildings**

- Green and Healthy Building Initiative (ISBI) (New).
- Indoor Air Quality Guide (New)
- IAQ Building Education and Assessment Model (I-BEAM)
- Building Assessment, Survey and Evaluation Study (BASE)

<http://www.ashrae.org/publications/page/1936>

<http://www.epa.gov/iaq/largebldgs/i-beam/index.html>

<http://www.epa.gov/iaq/base/index.html>



Tribal Champions

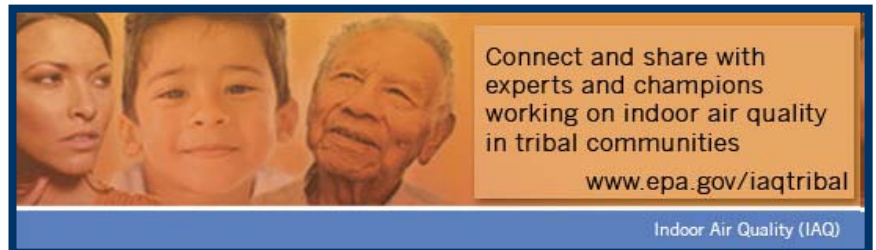


- **Spotlight on Tribal Champions**
- **The Cowlitz Weatherization Program** is the first of its kind in the state of Washington. They are closing the gap between weatherization and indoor air quality in tribes throughout northwest Washington by building understanding of the issues, creating partnerships and training and mentoring others to successfully address weatherization and indoor air quality in their own communities.
- http://www.epa.gov/iaqtribal/cowlitz_spotlight.html

Conclusion – We need YOU!

- Communities in Action for Asthma-Friendly Environments.
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- Green and Healthy Homes Initiative [Vice President]
(push for community focused areas)
<http://www.healthhomes.gov>

- We are all in this together
- Please Contact Us



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