

Health Emergencies: Asthma

Estimated time to complete: 10 minutes

Course Description

SafeSchools Health Emergencies: Asthma course is a concise tutorial designed for all school staff. Asthma affects approximately 17 million people in the U.S., and also accounts for roughly 10 million lost school days. The disease can even be fatal. All school employees must know the basics of asthma and be ready to respond to ensure the safety of students.

Common Themes

- Statistics on increasing prevalence of asthma among students
- Definition of asthma
- Signs and symptoms of asthma attacks
- Overview of asthma treatments including inhalers and nebulizers
- Important health care considerations in minimizing asthma attacks

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Training Environments

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