

Who's to Blame for Asthma Increasing Over 50%?

What Is Asthma And What Causes It?

Asthma affects the air passages the lungs. First of all, the patient's air passages are red and swollen. This is otherwise known as an inflammation. These inflamed air passages become very vulnerable to a variety of triggers that can bring on asthma attacks. When the patient inhales any triggers, the air passages are further inflamed, becoming more swollen and much narrower. This then obstructs air flow to and from the lungs. As a result, the patient will find it very difficult to breathe and can feel like they are literally choking.

There are many common home and office cleaners that can cause or contribute to both asthma and asthma attacks. However in the last twenty or so years, we have more synthetic and potentially poisonous chemicals in our everyday mass-produced and low-cost cleaners. As these cleaners become more prevalent and used by most janitorial companies, there have also been dramatic increases in cases of asthma. Most health experts believe and have documented a clear correlation between the prevalence of these synthetic chemicals and the increase of asthma cases.

Recent Research Has Discovered These Startling Facts -

- Asthma is the leading cause of children's hospital admissions.
- Women are getting more asthma as they are typically

more exposed to cleaning chemicals.

- 118% increase in asthma related deaths in our children and young adults.
- Approximately 4 million children aged 0-14 years reported asthma in the preceding 12 months from 1993 to 1994.
- 160% increase in asthma rates in children ages 0-4 years from 1980 to 1994.
- 74% increase in asthma rates among children ages 5-14 years.
- Asthma was the underlying cause of death among 170 children, aged 0-14 years, in 1993.
- 100% increase in death rates amount children ages 5-14 years from 1980 to 1993.
- Every year, over 160,000 children aged 0-14 years are hospitalized for asthma.
- \$6.2 billion is the estimated cost of treating illnesses related to asthma in 1990. Of that amount, almost \$1.6 billion was for inpatient hospital services.

We offer a unique healthy alternative that will help resolve existing indoor air pollution caused by wide-spread janitorial practices. Contact CleanStart Service, Inc. today to make your office healthier and more toxic-free tomorrow.

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