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Welcome to the Joint Asthma Coalition, a Connections IN Health Initiative

Dear Member,

Welcome to the Indiana Joint Asthma Coalition (InJAC). InJAC seeks to reduce the burden of asthma, especially among high-risk populations, in Indiana. As a coalition, our strength and our ability to make an impact across the state are dependent on our membership. This packet is intended to help you become familiar with how being a member can benefit your work and have a positive impact in your community and across the state. We appreciate your time, dedication, and interest as we work to reduce the burden of asthma in Indiana. I look forward to the change we can create together.



Sincerely,

Courtney Stewart, MPH

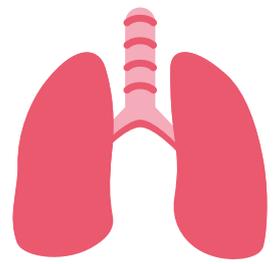
Coalition Lead, Indiana Joint Asthma Coalition

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MEMBER BENEFITS

Why join InJAC...

The Indiana Joint Asthma Coalition offers its members unique opportunities to...



Network with professionals and experts across the state



Stay up to date on information relating to asthma's impact on Hoosiers



Engage in professional development opportunities



Access new resources that aim to decrease the burden of asthma in Indiana



Highlight and share your work



Learn best practices in a collaborative setting



RECENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Recently, InJAC has been promoting digital flip books on asthma topics and working on creating new ones to share. World Asthma Day was recognized with a press release and a social media campaign. New mission and vision statements have been created, the by-laws have been updated and a steering committee has been formed. InJAC meets monthly which is helping with connection among coalition members and building stronger partnerships. Three new workgroups were formed based on the Indiana Asthma Plan. These combined efforts have helped the coalition to establish their direction for future initiatives.

In August of 2021, InJAC hosted the Asthma Summit with tracks for health professionals and community members to learn more about managing asthma.

InJAC has also been working successfully alongside partners to further their efforts and expand their outreach. InJAC is making a difference by offering hands-on resources and opportunities which support the overall quality of life for Hoosiers with asthma and their families.



WHAT'S NEXT

InJAC will to continue to have a positive impact by...



Holding an Annual Asthma Summit



Engaging in a Peak Week campaign in September



Building infrastructure to strengthen coalition efforts



Seeking member feedback to determine how the coalition can further its efforts



Utilizing the Indiana Asthma Plan to set goals for the future



Sharing research based best practices with coalitions across the state to promote healthy living



Establishing a formal partnership with the Indiana Black Barber Shop Initiative



Supporting the health of military families and vets by working with Building Healthy Military Communities



OUR VISION

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Decrease the burden of asthma in Indiana.

OUR MISSION

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The Indiana Joint Asthma Coalition exists to improve the health of all Indiana residents with asthma, through community collaboration to optimize wellness.

OUR VALUES

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Education

Collaboration

Awareness of asthma as a serious chronic disease

ABOUT THE INDIANA JOINT ASTHMA COALITION



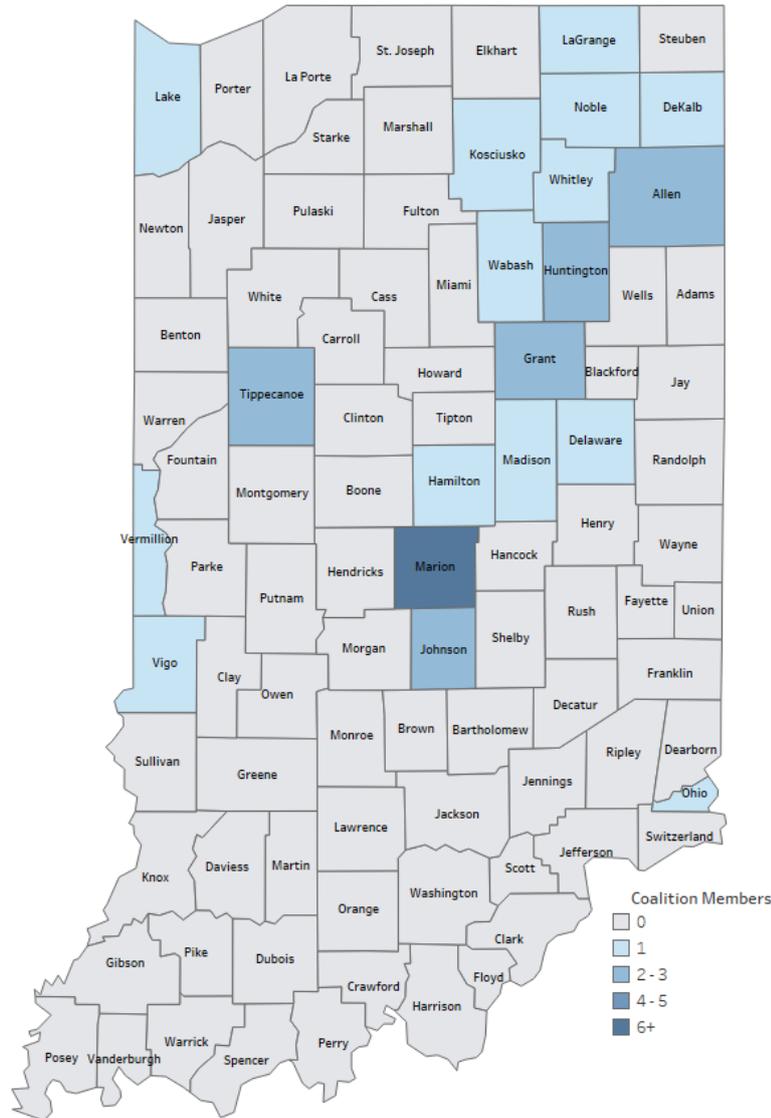
The Indiana Joint Asthma Coalition (InJAC) was first established in 2003 as individuals and organizations interested in reducing the burden of asthma in Indiana. The initial charge of InJAC was to formulate Indiana's first State Asthma Plan. They now:

- Coordinate the development and implementation of the Indiana Asthma Plan for addressing asthma in Indiana.
- Provide asthma-related training and presentations across the state to healthcare professionals, schools, non-profit organizations, hospitals, local health departments, and partner agencies.
- Work cooperatively with the Chronic Respiratory Disease Program at the Indiana Department of Health (IDOH), other state agencies, businesses, and community members.
- Increase public awareness of asthma as a serious chronic disease and improve the knowledge and skills of patients regarding the detection, treatment, and control of asthma, particularly among high-risk populations.
- Work towards improving equity in access to care and treatment for all Indiana residents with asthma



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MEMBERSHIP NETWORK



Are you included in our membership map?
Is your county represented in the InJAC network?
Ask us how you can get connected with members
in your area!

Map represents July, 2021 data



MEETING SCHEDULE & MEMBERSHIP

Coalition meetings occur on the second Thursday of each month at 10:30am EST. Quarterly meetings occur in February, May, August and November and will include guest speakers, professional development and updates from work groups. Business meetings occur in January, March, April, June, July, September, October and December to provide time for the coalition to build infrastructure.

Members who have completed the membership inquiry should receive a calendar invitation with a zoom link from Connections IN Health, CINH@iu.edu. Reach out to Courtney Stewart at cestewar@iu.edu if you have questions.

MEMBERSHIP TIERS



General Membership (Entry Level) - General Members receive general information and periodic information from the coalition via email or social media



Partner Membership (Mid-Level) - Partner Members actively attend coalition meetings, participate in the discussion around coalition activity and direction in addition to the previous level.



Active Membership (High Level) - Active Members participate in the coalition workgroups, which seek to engage in coalition activities that propel the current strategic direction that has been approved by the coalition in addition to the previous levels.



WORKGROUPS



Steering Committee

The InJAC Steering Committee was formed in February of 2021 composed of four long-time coalition members with experience in the clinical and public health fields. The Steering Committee meets once per month and discusses the infrastructure of the coalition, reviews Indiana asthma data, works closely with the entire coalition in setting objectives to work on, and provides feedback on a variety of initiatives and topics that relate to asthma in the state of Indiana.

Asthma Summit Planning Committee

InJAC members formed a committee to plan for the annual Asthma Summit. This group meets as needed to determine date, theme, speakers and details of the agenda for the summit.

Indiana Asthma Plan

- **Strengthening infrastructure of asthma programming** by working on increasing the number of asthma educators in Indiana and providing evidence based trainings and resources.
- **Reducing environmental triggers** that affect those with asthma on a statewide basis.
- **Improving quality of care** by providing asthma action plans for providers, clinicians, schools, parents and patients.

These workgroups will continue to evolve and focus on various areas of the Indiana Asthma Plan as we move forward

Healthy Schools Action Team (HSAT)

Mission: The Healthy Schools Action Team is a group of organizations that work in partnership with Indiana schools to create healthier environments where all can thrive.



Are you following us on Facebook and LinkedIn @ConnectionsINHealth?

Are you included in our membership map?

Are you receiving our quarterly newsletter, The Connection?

Do you know anyone else who might be interested in joining the coalition? Send them our Membership Inquiry.

Have you listened to our podcasts?

Are you interested in learning more about coalition resources?

Have you read our digital magazine articles?

Have you visited the Connections IN Health website to learn more about InJAC and our other initiatives ?



Thank you for your interest and the work that you are currently doing to have an impact on addressing asthma in Indiana. We are excited to have you join our coalition!

If you have further questions, please contact Courtney Stewart by emailing cestewar@indiana.edu



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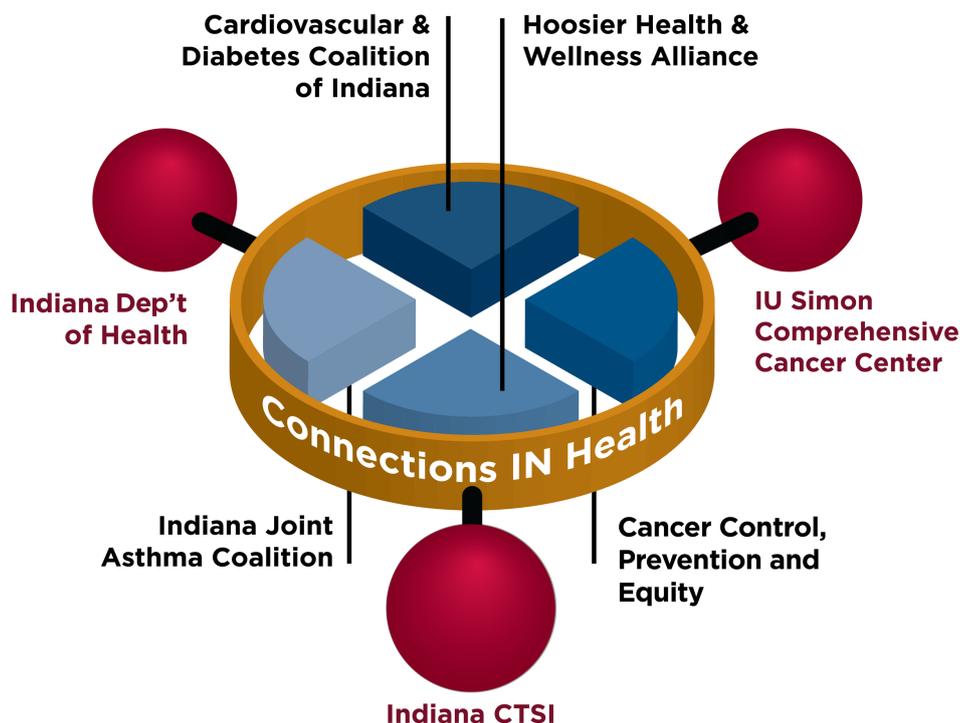
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About Connections IN Health

Connections IN Health supports stakeholders, organizations, advocates, and residents as they come together to improve health and address chronic diseases. Connections IN Health facilitates collaboration within communities by connecting stakeholders with evidence-based practices, identifying funding sources, and addressing health equity for all.

In 2018, InJAC joined two other statewide health coalitions to form the Connections IN Health project, housed in the Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute as a part of the Community Health Partnerships Program. This team brings experts focused on some of Indiana's most challenging chronic conditions together to partner with residents, stakeholders, organizations, and advocates to improve health by providing evidence-based strategies that address chronic disease and the social determinants of health.



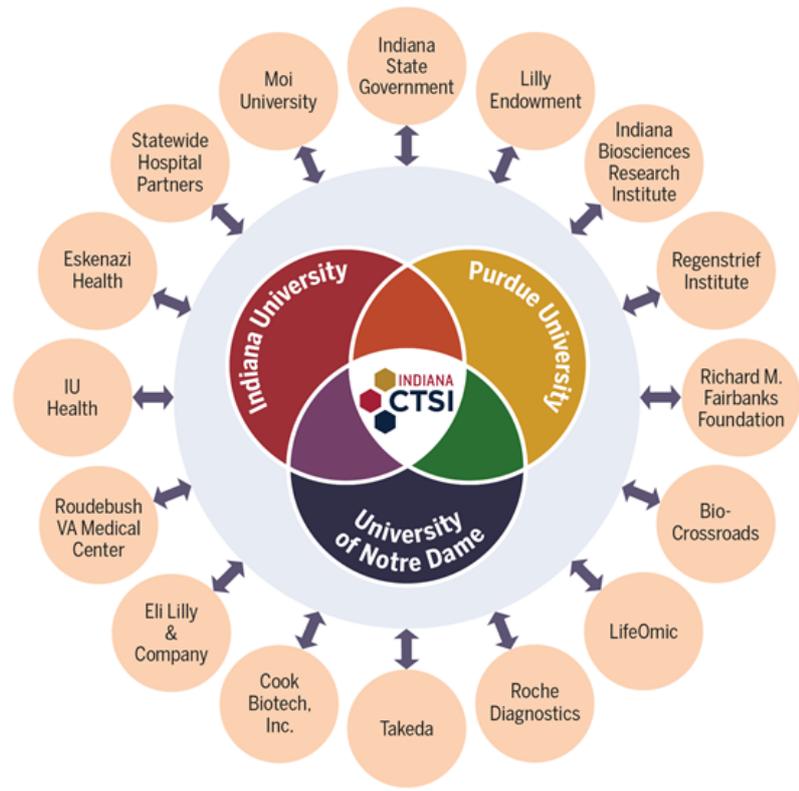
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Our Vision

We envision an Indiana that is one of the nation's healthier states.

Our Mission

We bring together Indiana's brightest minds to solve the state's most pressing health challenges.



About the Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute

The Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute (CTSI) brings together the state's brightest minds to solve Indiana's most pressing health challenges through research. It is a statewide partnership among Indiana University, Purdue University, the University of Notre Dame, and numerous life sciences businesses, government entities, and community organizations. The Indiana CTSI engages with the public at every level of research—from basic science to patient care. It has been continuously funded by multimillion-dollar grants from the National Institutes of Health since the Indiana CTSI's founding in 2008 and is housed at the Indiana University School of Medicine. For more information, visit indianactsi.org.