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## Asthma: An Attack on Children

### **Abstract:**

In America today, one of the most significant and fastest-growing chronic health threats faced by children under the age of 18 is asthma. This seminar will provide an overview and background of the disease and explore various theories associated with its “causes”. The effects of major indoor and outdoor pollutants and preventive measures recommended for the reduction of environmental triggers will also be addressed. Asthma, as a priority of the *President’s Taskforce on Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks for Children*, will be discussed and an in-depth look at one of the more successful strategies to combat asthma in the Mid-Atlantic Region will be summarized.

**Date:** Thursday, April 18, 2002

**Time:** 12:15 pm - 1:45 pm

**Place:** Auditorium at Wistar Institute

On Penn’s campus: Spruce Street & Penn’s 36<sup>th</sup> Street Walkway

### **NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

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