



Breathe Easy at Home (BEAH) Code Inspection Referrals **Provider Screening Tool and Guide**

Use this tool to determine if Breathe Easy At Home is appropriate for your patient.

1. Is the patient a child (age 0-17) with poorly controlled asthma who resides (at least part time) in Providence, Pawtucket, Central Falls, or Woonsocket?
 - BEAH Code Inspections are only available in these four core cities
2. Does the patient's family rent their home?
 - Homeowners are not appropriate for the BEAH Program.
 - BEAH covers Public Housing, Section 8, or private rental apartments
3. Is it likely there is an asthma-related housing code violation in your patient's home? Presence of any item below may indicate a housing code violation.
Note: mold is NOT a code violation, but things that cause mold can be violations
 - Pests:**
 - Cockroaches
 - Mice/rats
 - Holes or breaks in exterior walls
 - Moisture:**
 - Water damage or rot
 - Leaky faucets or pipes
 - Ventilation:**
 - Bedrooms or living spaces without openable windows
 - Bathrooms without vents or windows to the outdoors
 - Clothes dryers without exhaust vents to the outdoors
 - Gas stove without a vent to the outside
 - Water heater located in a bathroom or bedroom
 - Heat:**
 - Use of cooking appliances to provide heat
 - Use of unvented space heaters to provide heat
 - Unvented wood-burning stove or fireplace
4. Does the family understand BEAH and agree to the code referral?
 - Share and review the "[What is BEAH?](#)" document
 - Have the parent/guardian who lives at the address sign the BEAH "[Authorization to Use and Disclose Health Information](#)" consent form
5. Are there any concerns about landlord retaliation?
 - Landlord retaliation is illegal. BEAH includes free legal support if needed
 - Share the "[Landlord Retaliation](#)" document for legal support information
6. What can you do if the parent/guardian declines participation in BEAH?
 - Share these BEAH documents: "[Steps that landlords can take to reduce common asthma triggers](#)" and "[7 Steps for Tenants](#)"
 - Refer family for asthma education and/or social services

For more information contact DOH.BEAH@health.ri.gov or call the HEALTH Information Line at 401-222-5960 / RI Relay 711