

# Political Manifesto 2017

Asthma and Respiratory Foundation NZ wants to see the next government take respiratory illness seriously by setting the following target:  
**Reduce emergency visits for acute respiratory illnesses by 20% within 5 years**

## Taiao: The Environment

### Healthy Housing to reduce respiratory illness rates

#### Assessment of



home insulation and electricity subsidies for the most vulnerable

#### Rental properties meet Housing Warrant of Fitness Standards:

- well insulated
- well ventilated
- adequate fixed heating
- free from mould



### Clean Air - to reduce air pollution

#### Greater investment



in public transport

Higher fuel efficiency standards and emissions standards



for vehicles

#### Increased subsidies for electric vehicles



### Tobacco Control



Fully supports the implementation plan of **“Achieving smokefree Aotearoa by 2025”**

## Te Pūnaha Hauora: The Health system

### Respiratory wellness as a national health target

#### A reduction in hospitalisations



to be one of the health priority areas for both DHBs and primary care

#### NZ wide DHB standards



for respiratory care

#### Real focus

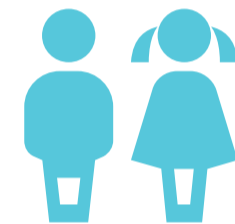


on identifying and addressing respiratory health inequities for **Māori and Pacific populations**

### Improved Respiratory Services in Primary Care



Link planned proactive care in primary with hospital attendance for **COPD, asthma and prescription use.**



**Health Pathways:** Nation wide campaign for planned proactive care of children with chronic respiratory disease.

### Improved Access to Specialist Respiratory Services

#### Improved



access to sleep apnoea services



Improved access to pulmonary rehabilitation

Improve and standardise **funding and access**



to ventilation devices for 'closer to home' use.

## Te Hapori Hauora: The Health Community

### Respiratory Workforce Development

#### Additional Funding for community nurses



to better manage COPD and asthma

#### Development/Expansion of school-based nursing services



### Preventive Respiratory Health Initiatives

Supports universal **Influenza Immunisation** and research into **respiratory vaccine trials**



## Whānau Ora: Individuals and Families

### Health Literacy



Promotion of easy access to asthma, COPD, and respiratory education

Recommendations of the **He Māramatanga Huangō Report**



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