

Do your patients need asthma case management?

Managing Asthma Through Case-management in Homes (MATCH) is the model for an intensive home-based asthma case management service for children and adults with uncontrolled asthma. Programs using the MATCH model are available in 6 counties: Genesee, Ingham, Kent, Muskegon, Ottawa, and Wayne.

A study of MATCH participants showed:

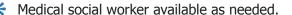
83% decrease in hospitalizations	60% decrease in ED visits	58% decrease in nights awake from asthma
63% decrease in missed work days	40% decrease in missed school days	30% increase in Asthma Control Test™ Scores

Services include:

* Home visits conducted by certified asthma educator, either nurse or respiratory therapist



- * Care conferences conducted with primary care providers to develop/update a written asthma action plan, and manage complex cases
- * School, day care or work visits to assist with managing asthma in those settings.





Referral criteria:

Referrals can come from: health care institutions, community clinics, health care providers, schools, nursing staff, allied health professionals, health

plans, or the families themselves

- * Children or adults especially those who have had one or more ED visits or hospital admissions, unscheduled office visit (s), over-use of albuterol, missed school days, due to asthma.
- * Diagnosis of asthma priority given to uncontrolled asthma, but also those newly diagnosed

Many Medicaid health plans cover these services, and services are often available for patients without insurance.

