

Pilot Projects

Philadelphia regional nonprofit organizations, community groups and researchers may be eligible to apply for a Pilot Project Award from our Center.

Up to **\$50,000** per pilot

Funded Pilot Projects can range from lab studies and field sampling to translation projects, such as, programs, apps, videos, toolkits, communication materials, policy proposals, etc.

Projects should either:

- ✓ Lead to innovative research in the field of children's environmental health; or
- ✓ Bring a research idea or translation product to the community to test its effectiveness

Learn more and apply on our website.



About Us

The children in our area face many environmental threats and health problems – asthma, lead poisoning, air pollution and toxic chemicals. Our partners and member researchers work to implement real world solutions and interventions in the Philly region to serve as a model for success elsewhere.

Our Center was founded in late 2021 at the University of Pennsylvania and the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, and members include researchers from regional institutions and universities.

We are part of a national network of Children's Environmental Health Research and Translation Centers.

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Our Focus Areas

Air Pollution

Air pollution includes the particles, dust, contaminants and chemicals that get in the air we breathe and into our lungs. It is hazardous to everyone, but especially children.

Asthma

Watching a child struggle to breathe is one of the most heart-breaking experiences. Unfortunately, too many Philadelphia regional families, teachers and doctors have to endure this pain due to the debilitating effects of childhood asthma.

Lead Poisoning

Lead exposure is one of the biggest childhood environmental health issues. Lead is toxic to children's brain development and no safe threshold for lead has been identified.

Toxic Chemicals

From personal care products to clothes and cooking pans, our bodies are exposed to many endocrine disrupting chemicals (EDCs). Recent research has found that the individual and combined effects of EDC's can be extremely hazardous to children and pregnant people.



Programs + Resources

Our Center addresses these four areas of environmental concern by providing resources and hosting programs and events for Philadelphia regional families, teachers, health professionals and community groups.



- Chester, PA Community Asthma Prevention Program
- Teacher trainings
- Webinars, workshops + continuing education
- Consultations for clinicians
- Mentoring early-stage researchers
- Prescriptions for prevention
- High school short courses
- Hazard assessments for schools
- Pilot Project Funding
- Expert scientific advice for the community and local governments