



Asthma Coalition Meeting

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COMMUNITY BASED OUTREACH PROGRAM
Integration of Existing Resources for Sustainability



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PARTNERSHIP FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH

Program History

- Breathmobile Program- started 1995
- 60,000 patient follow-up visits
- 10,000 patients
- Successful replication of program nationwide
- Original certification by Joint Commission 2002

Pediatric Asthma Disease Management Program

Program building thru partnership

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National Network

A & I Clinic

Care Coordination Center

Survey at all visits

JCAHO Accreditation

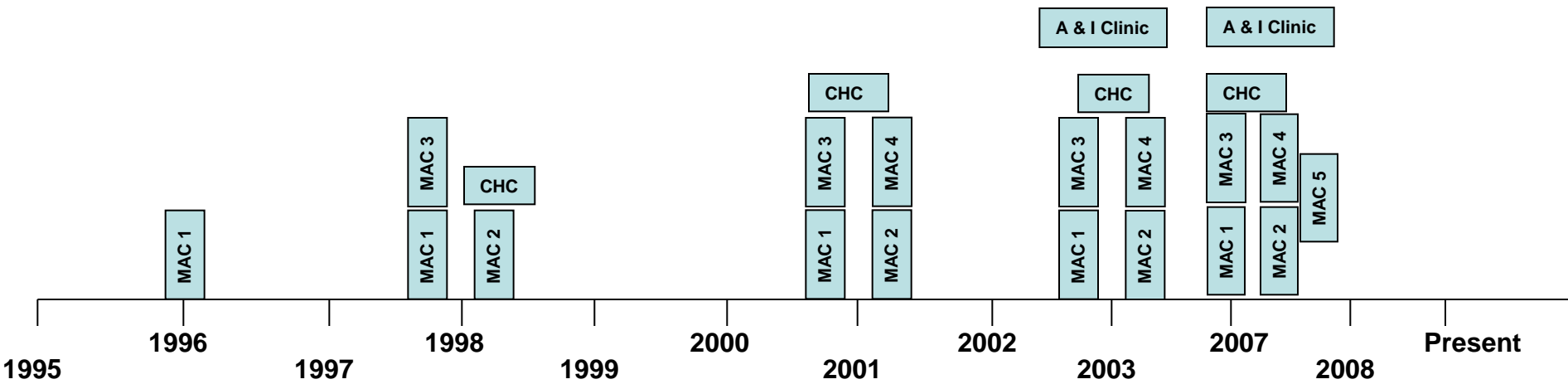
AAFA Data Analysis Center

Case Identification Survey Collaboration with other sites

AsthmaWatch EMR AsmaTrax EMR & DM tracking system

Community Outreach → Disease Management

Start-up Ongoing evaluation, planning & program improvement



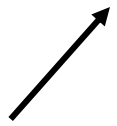
BARRIERS TO EFFECTIVE ASTHMA CARE

**Patient/Family
awareness**

Access to care

**Engage in long
term care**

**Burden of
asthma**



Asthma health status



**Financial
Costs**



**Utilizing available
care**

**Provider
awareness**



**Appropriate assessment
and standard of care**

PEDIATRIC ASTHMA DISEASE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

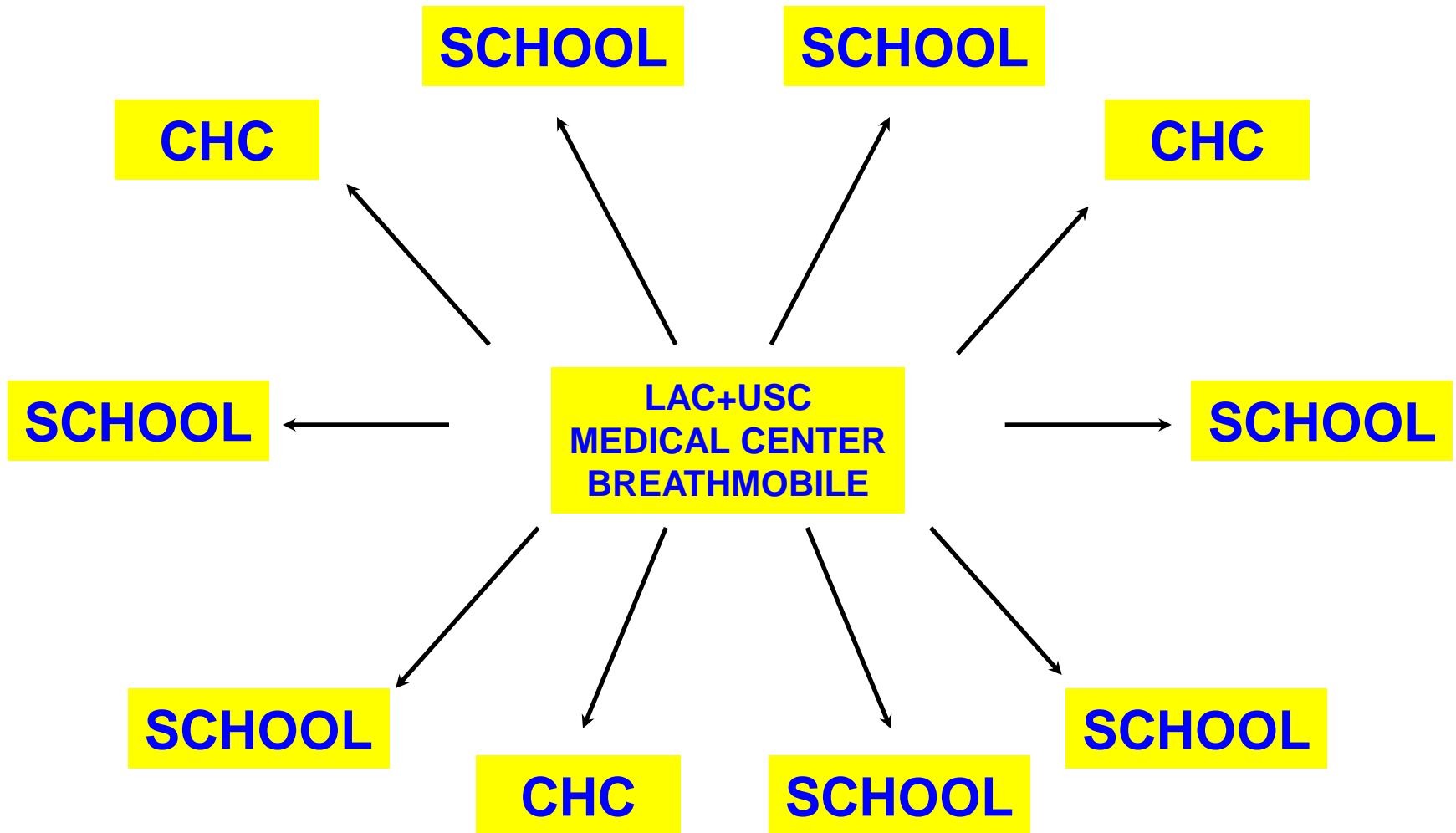
Program Objectives

The objectives of this program are to integrate existing community resources with disease management principles order to:

1. Deliver sub-specialty care to underserved children with asthma living in Los Angeles County.
2. Improve public health resource utilization by shifting care emphasis from an acute episodic care to a preventative health care model.
3. Demonstrate cost effective health care through a decrease in utilization of acute care costs related to asthma exacerbations.

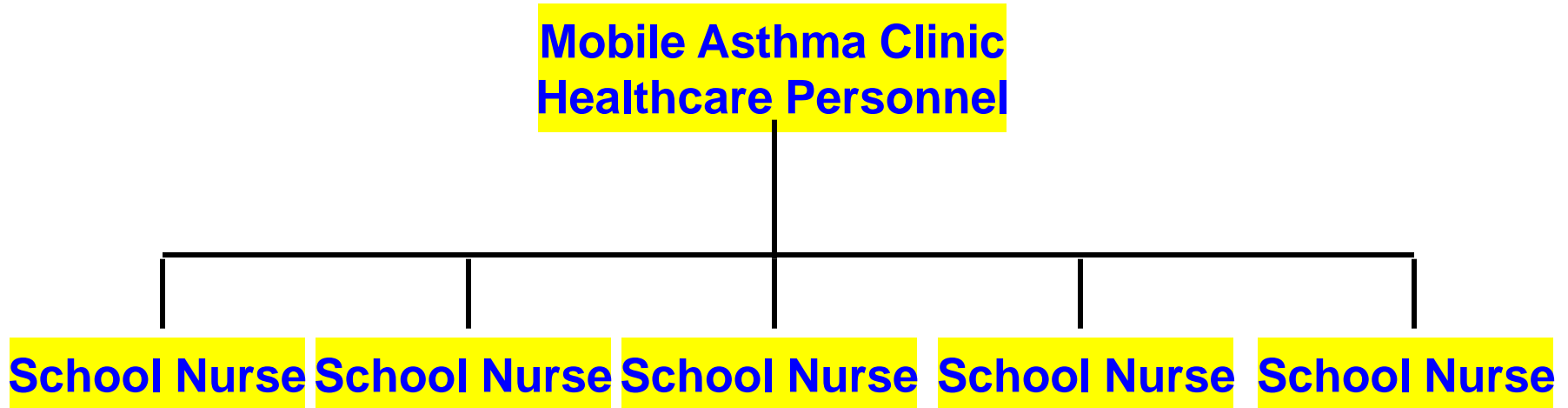
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Integration of Existing Resources To Form A Healthcare Network



COMMUNITY BASED OUTREACH PROGRAM

Integration of Existing Resources To Form A Healthcare Team



- Identify students with asthma
- Coordinate scheduling and communication
- Monitor patients status

DISEASE MANAGEMENT PRINCIPLES

Long term care to achieve & maintain control of asthma

THOROUGH EVALUATION

- Disease activity (Day/night Sx, BD use)
- Morbidity (ED/Hosp, OCS bursts)
- Co-morbidities (AR, CS, GER)
- Exposures & triggers
- Targeted physical exam
- Pulmonary function
- Skin testing
- Assess clinical control of asthma
- Assess whether goals are met

THERAPEUTICS

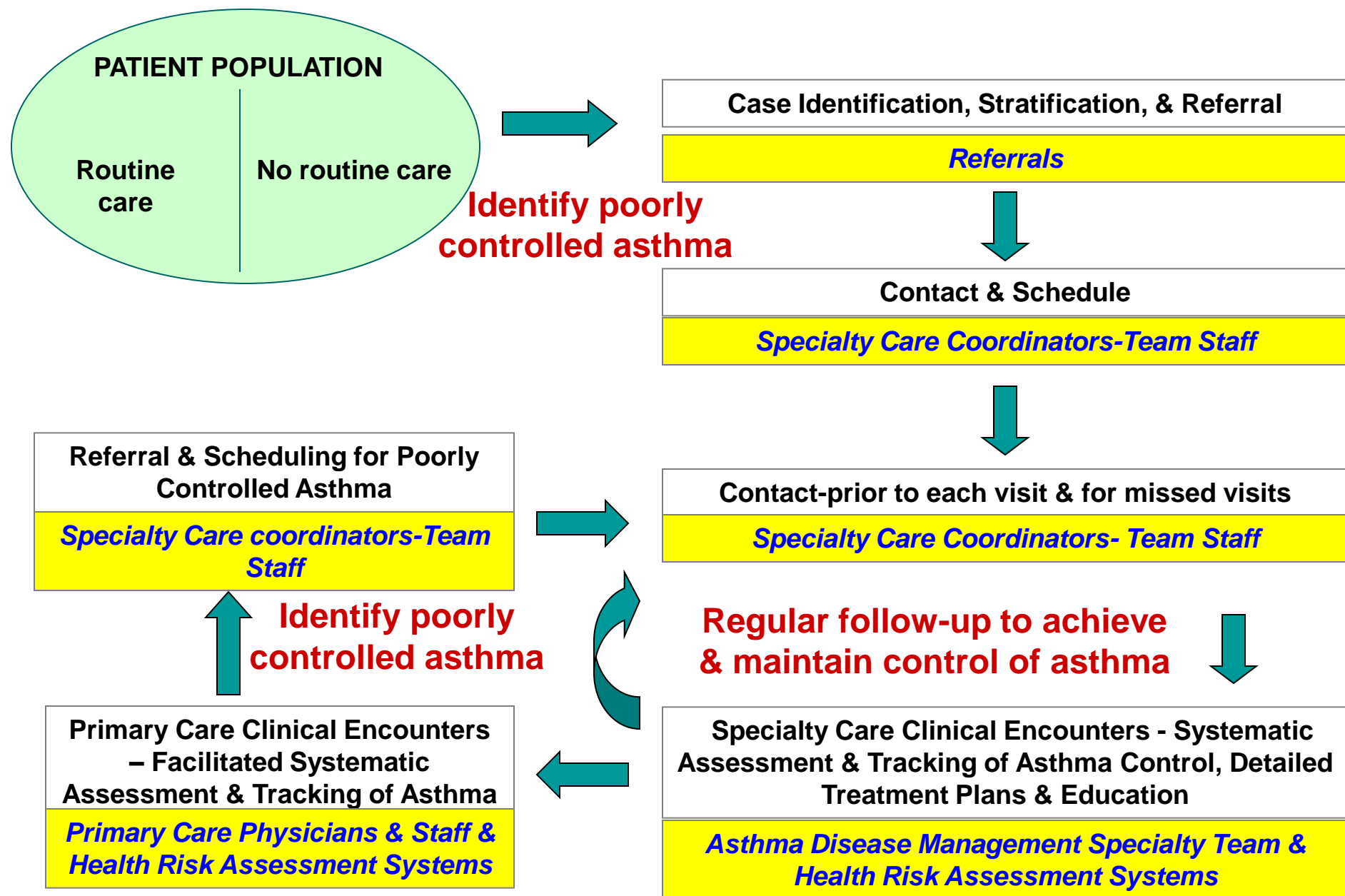
- Environmental Controls
- Daily Management Plan
- Medications (controllers & relievers)
- Patient / Family Education
- Set goals (clinical control of asthma)
- Set goals (patient & family)

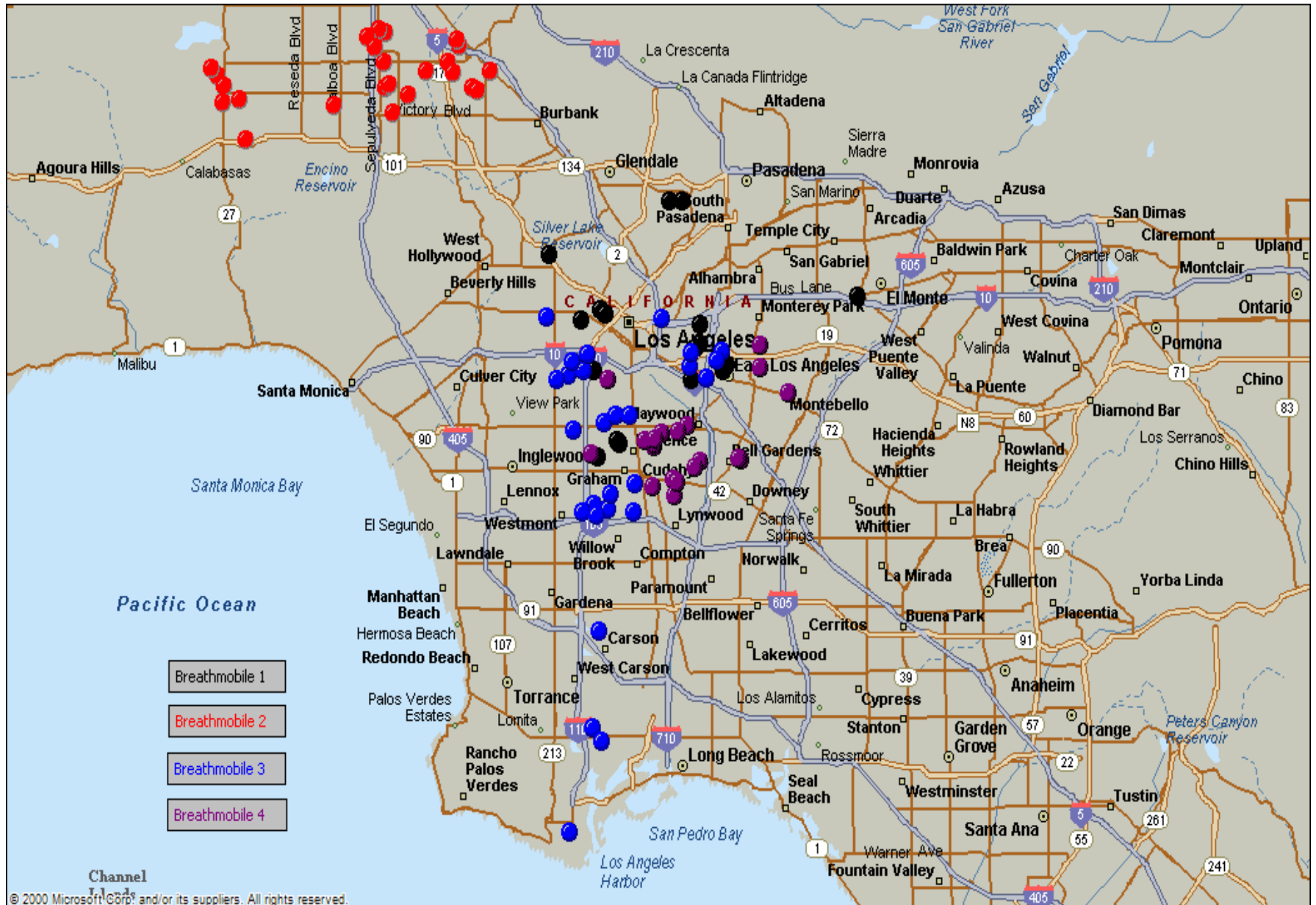
ROUTINE FOLLOW-UP

- Regular intervals
- Intensity/frequency of follow-up that is necessary to achieve & maintain control
- Track clinical control carefully
- Track whether goals are being met
- Phone call follow-ups

MODEL FOR ROUTINE CARE TO CONTROL ACTIVE ASTHMA

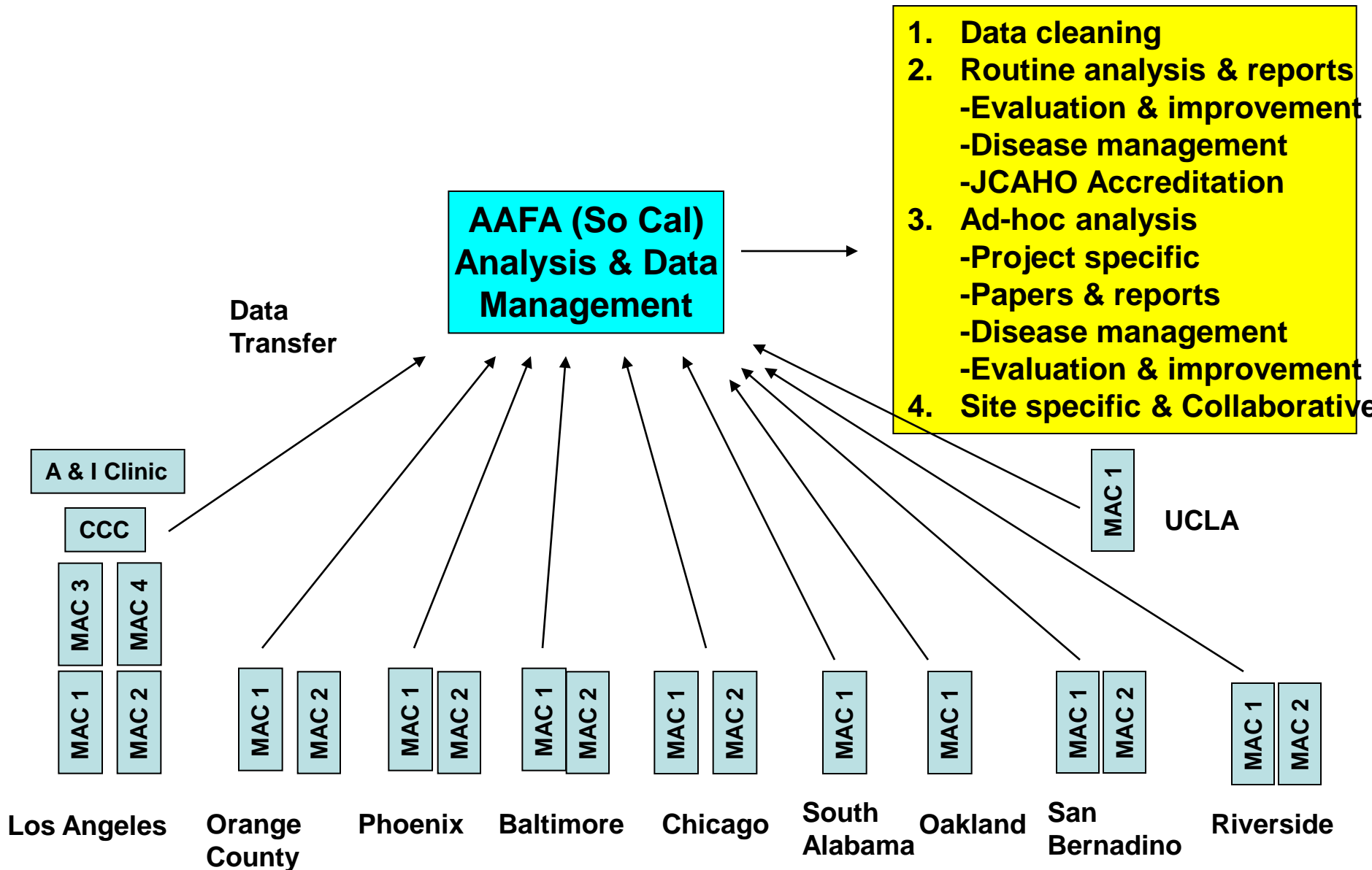
Application of Disease Management Principles





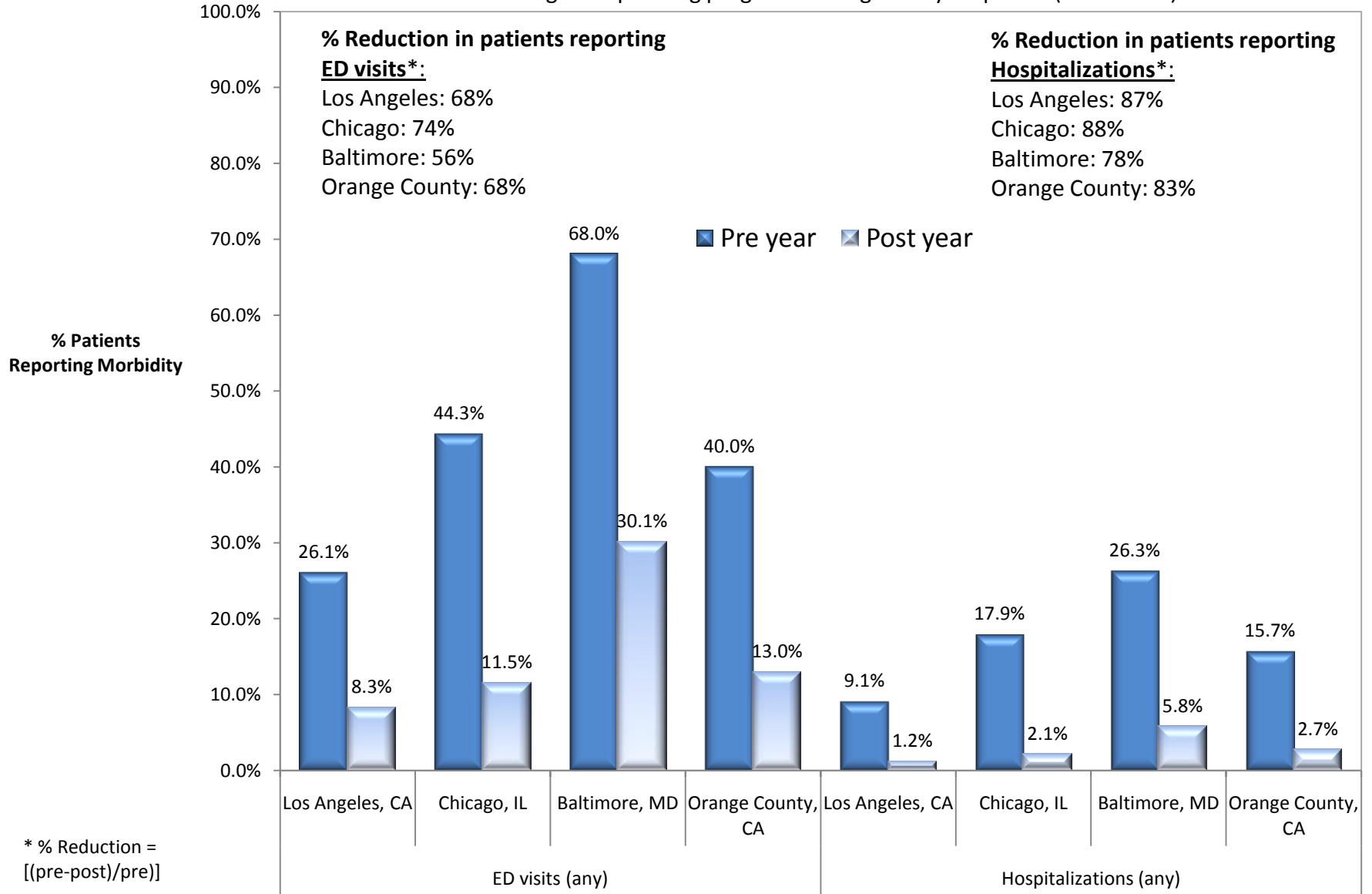
National AsmaTrax Network

Data Management, Analysis, & Reporting



Morbidity Pre vs. Post Year of Entry

Among study patients who entered and received ongoing care (>=1 year) in regions operating programs during the 5 year period (2002-2006)



Program Reach: National Level Collaborative: 11 Regions*, 6 States, 19 Units

~14 year period: November 16th, 1995- December 31st, 2009

National Level: Pediatric Patients:

- **N=25,192 Patients Treated (Los Angeles 8,834)**
- **N= 127,774 Health Encounters (Los Angeles 60,068)**
- **N= 454 Schools and Centers (Los Angeles 117)**

* Los Angeles CA, Chicago IL, Phoenix,AZ, Baltimore MD, Orange County CA, Mobile AL, San Bernardino County CA, Riverside CA, St Louis MS, Oakland CA, Long Beach CA

Outcomes 2009 (Asmatrax)

- Total Patients 1830
 - Average age 10.0 years (SD 4.0)
 - 82.5% Hispanic
 - 843 new, 987 return
- Total visits 5452 (average 1363 visits/mobile/year)
 - 7902 scheduled
 - 69% show rates overall (63% new, 70% return)
 - 87% of follow-up visits <90 days

2009 Outcome Measures

(pre vs. post entry into program for 2008-2009 for patients enrolled ≥ 1 year)

- Emergency Department Visits- reduction 64% (40% to 14%)
- Hospitalizations- reduction 68% (11.9% to 3.4%)
- Missed School Days ≥ 5 days- improvement by 84% (36.2% to 5.8%)



Thank You