

Useful Links for Patients

▶ **American Academy of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology (AAAAI)**

The AAAAI is a membership organization of more than 6,700 allergists, immunologists and related professionals around the world with advanced training and experience dedicated to allergy, asthma, immune deficiencies and other immunologic diseases.

<http://www.aaaai.org/conditions-and-treatments/asthma.aspx>

▶ **American College of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology (ACAAI)**

The American College of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology is a professional association of more than 5,700 allergists/immunologists and allied health professionals. The ACAAI provides its members with continuing medical education, publications, and representation to managed care organizations, medical organizations, consumer and patient groups, and government and regulatory agencies.

<http://www.acaaai.org/allergist/asthma/>

▶ **American Lung Association**

The American Lung Association is the leading organization working to save lives by improving lung health and preventing lung disease through Education, Advocacy and Research. With the generous support of the public, we are "*Fighting for Air.*" When you join the American Lung Association in the fight for healthy lungs and healthy air, you help save lives today and keep America healthy tomorrow.

www.lungusa.org

▶ **The American Thoracic Society**

The American Thoracic Society (ATS) is an international society with more than 15,000 members. The mission of ATS is to improve health worldwide by advancing research, clinical care and public health in respiratory disease.

<http://patients.thoracic.org/>

▶ **Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America (AAFA)**

The Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America (AAFA), a not-for-profit organization founded in 1953, is the leading patient organization for people with asthma and allergies, and the oldest asthma and allergy patient group in the world. AAFA is dedicated to improving the quality of life for people with asthma and allergic diseases through education, advocacy and research.

www.aafa.org

▶ **COPD Foundation**

The COPD Foundation was established to undertake initiatives that result in expanded services for COPD and improve the lives of individuals affected by COPD. The Foundation's activities focus on achieving these results through research, education and advocacy programs that will lead to prevention, and someday, a cure for this disease.

<http://www.copdfoundation.org/>

▶ **FDA MedWatch**

FDA MedWatch is the FDA Safety Information and Adverse Event Reporting Program. It is your FDA gateway for clinically important safety information and reporting serious problems with human medical products.

<http://www.fda.gov/MedWatch/>

▶ **The Global Initiative for Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease**

The Global Initiative for Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease (GOLD) works with health care professionals and public health officials to raise awareness of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) and to improve prevention and treatment of this lung disease for patients around the world.

<http://www.goldcopd.org/patients.html>

▶ **Healthy Living**

CDC.gov is your online source for credible health information and is the official Web site of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The CDC offers tips for healthy living, promoting healthy and safe behaviors, communities and environments.

<http://www.cdc.gov/healthyliving/>

▶ **National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI)**

The National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI) provides global leadership for a research, training, and education program to promote the prevention and treatment of heart, lung, and blood diseases and enhance the health of all individuals so that they can live longer and more fulfilling lives.

<http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/>