

Partners Asthma Center Faculty Newsletter

Excellence in asthma care for children and adults



*Brigham and Women's
Hospital*

*Massachusetts General
Hospital*

Faulkner Hospital

*Newton-Wellesley
Hospital*

*North Shore Medical
Center*



Partners Asthma Center's Asthma Educators' Institute

Congratulations to all who participated in the four offerings of our continuing education program, *Becoming an Asthma Educator*, presented by Partners Asthma Center's Asthma Educators Institute. Each program was sold out. In all, 750 allied health professionals attended our one-day courses ... at the North Shore, Brigham, Newton-Wellesley, and Mass General Hospitals. And judging by their feedback, most of the participants loved the programs.



We plan to build on this success with four new programs for the Spring of 2004. Two will repeat the introductory program, *Becoming an Asthma Educator*, which is particularly well suited for those preparing to take the exam offered by the National Asthma Educators Certification Board. Two will be "advanced" courses, tentatively entitled *Understanding Allergy* and *Difficult-to-Control Asthma*.

Most exciting is the collaboration that has brought together Partners Asthma Center faculty from all of our hospitals to teach in these programs. By working together, we are making the whole greater than its individual parts.

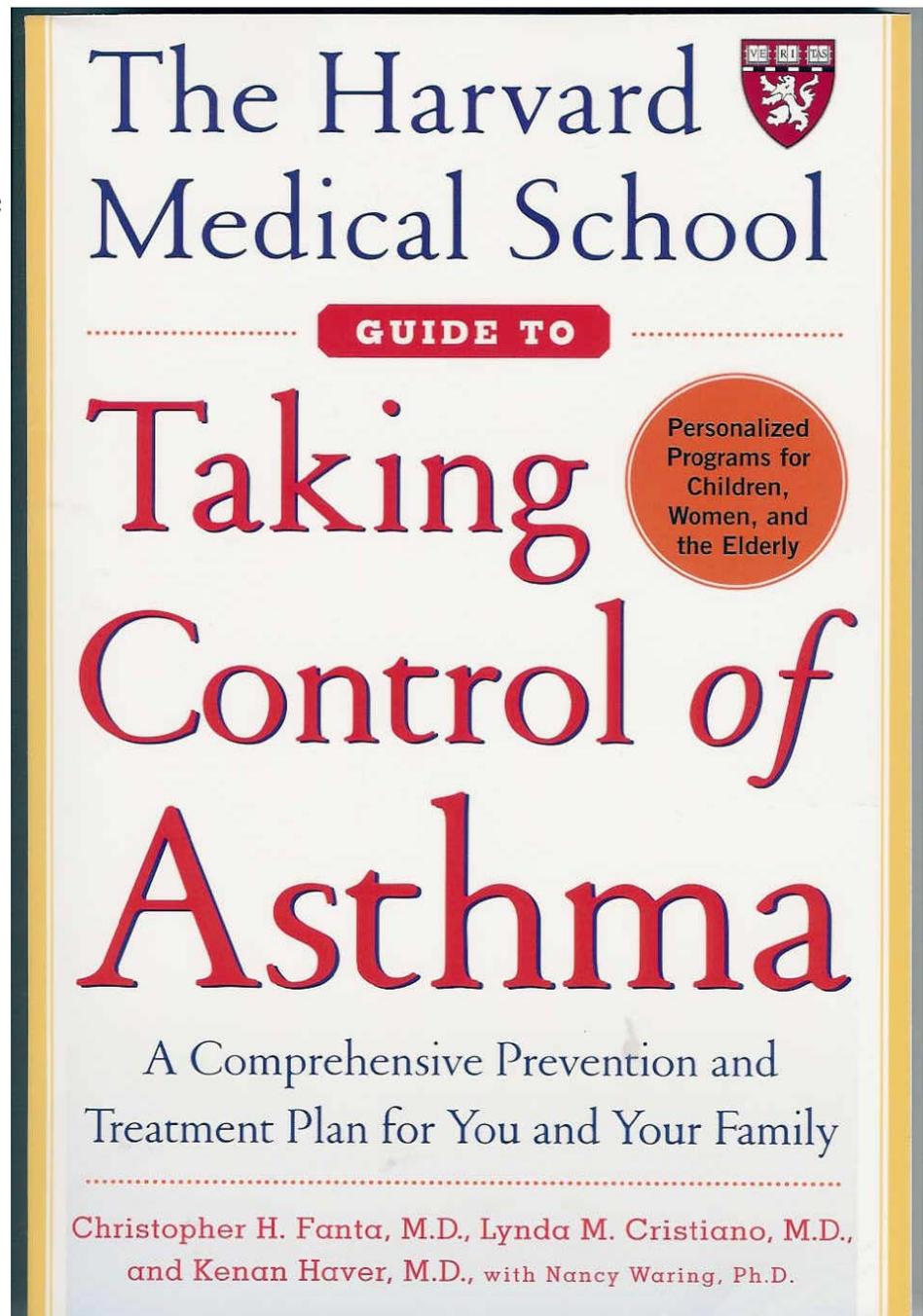
Publication from Partners Asthma Center

A Popular Book About Asthma From Partners Asthma Center

With the help of Harvard Health Publications, we have transformed our Partners Asthma Center *Guide to Asthma* into a full-fledged health care book for the general public, called *The Harvard Medical School Guide to Taking Control of Asthma*. The book is authored by Chris Fanta, Lynda Cristiano, and Ken Haver and published by the Free Press section of Simon and Schuster. It is scheduled for release on January 8.

Partners Asthma Center features prominently throughout the book. It is described in detail in the Introduction and referred to repeatedly in the text.

We will make copies available at no charge to our various practice sites.



Other Partners Asthma Center Events and News

Asthma Grand Rounds

Friday, January 16, 8:30 a.m.

*“Stress as a Contributor to
Worsened Asthma in the Inner City”*

Rosalind Wright, M.D.

Location: BWH Bornstein Family Amphitheater

Videoconferencing: MGH (Lawrence House)

NSMC (North Shore Children’s, 1st floor)

New Members

We are pleased to welcome to Partners Asthma Center the following distinguished asthma experts:

Fiona Gibbons, M.D., Pulmonary Medicine, MGH

Daniel Hamilos, M.D., Allergy, MGH

Walter O’Donnell, M.D., Pulmonary Medicine, MGH

Visiting Professor

William J. Calhoun, M.D., Director, Asthma, Allergy, and Airway Research Center at the University of Pittsburgh, will visit the MGH and Partners Asthma Center on **June 1-2**.

His itinerary will include:

Longwood Area Interhospital Conference, Tuesday, 4:30 p.m.

Partners Asthma Center-wide dinner on Tuesday evening,

Pulmonary Grand Rounds at the MGH Wednesday at noon.



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Save the Date: Tuesday, June 1, 2004
Visiting Prof. Dinner with Dr. William Calhoun

