# **November is National COPD Awareness Month**

Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) is a serious lung disease that makes it difficult to breathe. It's most common in older adults, but you can take action to look after your lung health at any age.



**COPD: Protect Your Lungs for Life** 

People of all ages can help keep their lungs healthy. Here's how.

Infographic
Drop-in Article
Fact Sheet



## For People at Risk, Patients, and Caregivers

If you or someone you care for is at risk for COPD or has been diagnosed, these materials can help you learn more about it and how to manage it.

Educational materials available in English & Spanish

COPD videos, animations, and PSAs
Federal Resources on Smoking and Lung Health
COPD and Smoking: My Plan to Quit Brochure
The COPD Caregiver's Toolkit



## For Health and Community Professionals

These materials can help you work with patients and caregivers to understand risk factors, symptoms, and management.

COPD Digital Resource Toolkit for Health Professionals

A Quick Guide on COPD

CME podcast: Screening and Testing for COPD Diagnosis

CME podcast: Treating COPD

CME podcast: Patient Case Studies: COPD Screening, PRISm, AAT Deficiency



#### **COPD National Action Plan**

The COPD National Action Plan is the blueprint for a unified fight against COPD. Document your work using the Community Action Tool below.

COPD National Action Plan
COPD National Action Plan Community Action Tool



**Drop-in Articles and Media Resources** 

Copy and paste these prewritten articles into your newsletters, bulletins, blogs, or website. Or send to your local media and ask them to do a story for COPD Awareness Month.

Guard Against COPD at Every Stage of Life

Reduce Your COPD Risk, No Matter Where You Live

Support for Caregivers Means Better Care for Loved Ones with COPD

5 Steps for Women to Reduce their Risk of COPD

COPD and the Workplace: Know Your Risks and Take Action

Get Tested for COPD: Your Lungs Will Thank You

Additional COPD Resources for General Media

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## **Additional Resources**

- Learn more on our COPD Health Topic page.
- Learn about COVID-19 and Your Lungs.
- Visit all NHLBI COPD publications.
- See all of the lung health resources offered by <u>Learn More Breathe Better</u>.

#### Related Government Websites

- Health and Human Services external link
- National Institutes of Health
- Office of the Inspector General external link
- USA.gov external link