

CLIMATE CHANGE AND CHILDREN'S HEALTH

CLIMATE CHANGE IS NOT IN SOME FAR OFF FUTURE.
IT IS HAPPENING NOW.
AND OUR CHILDREN'S HEALTH IS AT RISK.
HERE ARE 6 WAYS CLIMATE CHANGE HURTS OUR HEALTH.

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ASTHMA

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SMOG, ON THE RISE AS TEMPERATURES CLIMB,
CAN TRIGGER ASTHMA ATTACKS AND
INTERFERE WITH LUNG DEVELOPMENT.
CHILDREN SUFFER THE MOST
FROM THE HEALTH IMPACTS OF
SMOG POLLUTION.

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ALLERGIES

CLIMATE CHANGE HAS
INCREASED THE LENGTH AND
SEVERITY OF POLLEN SEASONS.
POLLEN SEASON HAS ALREADY
LENGTHENED BY 2 WEEKS
SINCE 1995.



HEAT-RELATED ILLNESS

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SCIENTISTS PREDICT GLOBAL TEMPERATURE INCREASES
OF 2-11°F BY THE END OF THIS CENTURY. HEAT CAUSES
PROBLEMS SUCH AS HEAT RASH, DEHYDRATION,
HEAT EXHAUSTION, AND DEADLY HEAT STROKE.

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DISASTER-RELATED INJURIES

STRONGER AND MORE FREQUENT
HURRICANES, TYPHOONS, TORNADOES,
AND FLOODS, WILL INCREASE THE
RISK OF INJURY, DEATH, AND
DROWNING IN WEATHER EMERGENCIES.

INSECTS

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A WARMING WORLD INCREASES
THE RANGE OF MANY INSECTS,
INCLUDING THE TICKS AND
MOSQUITOES THAT CARRY
LYME DISEASE AND
WEST NILE VIRUS.



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FOOD INSECURITY

DROUGHT, EXTREME WEATHER EVENTS, LIMITED
AVAILABILITY OF FRESH WATER, RISING TEMPERATURES,
AND CHANGES IN THE RANGE OF INSECT PESTS WILL
ALL IMPACT THE GLOBAL FOOD SUPPLY.



WHAT CAN MOMS AND DADS DO ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE?

SOLUTIONS ARE AT HAND - BUT PARENTS NEED TO DEMAND THEM.
TELL YOUR LAWMAKERS TO USE THEIR LEADERSHIP TO AVERT
THIS GLOBAL DISASTER. REMEMBER, THEY WORK FOR YOU.

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