Smoking is the leading preventable cause of illness and death in the Bronx and the United States. Bronx BREATHES works with the health care community to help Bronx residents quit smoking. As one of 19 statewide Tobacco Cessation Centers, Bronx BREATHES aims to:

- 1. Provide tobacco control training to health care institutions and providers in the Bronx.
- 2. Assist health care institutions with the design and implementation of tobacco control policy and treatment practices.
- 3. Identify and promote direct cessation services located in the Bronx.
- 4. Increase the number of Bronx residents who use the services of the NYS Smokers' Quitline.

Our Partners:

Affinity Health Plan

Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University

American Cancer Society

American Heart Association

American Lung Association

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Bronx Community Health Network

Bronx County Medical Society

Bronx CREED

Bronx Lebanon Hospital Center

Bronx Smoke-Free Partnership

Health and Hospitals Corporation

Health First Health Plan

Jacobi Medical Center

Lehman College

Lincoln Medical and Mental Health Center

Montefiore Medical Center

Morris Heights Health Center

New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

North Central Bronx Hospital

NYC Coalition for a Smoke-Free City

Office of the Bronx Borough President

Project Samaritan AIDS Services

South Bronx Asthma Partnership

St. Barnabas Hospital

The Bronx Health Link

Urban Health Plan



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The New York State Smokers' Quitline

1-866-NY-QUITS

(1-866-697-8487)

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http://www.ahrq.gov/consumer/tobacco/quits.htm

It's Not Easy But Millions of People Have Quit Smoking!

You can too.
We can help!

Bronx BREATHES

The Bronx Einstein Alliance for Tobacco-free
Health& Environmental Services

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Good Reasons to **to Quit**

More than 430,000 Americans die each year from smoking. Smoking causes illnesses such as cancer, heart disease, stroke, and lung disease.

Quitting smoking is one of the most important things you will ever do:

- You will live longer and live better.
- Quitting will lower your chance of having a heart attack, stroke, or cancer.
- If you are pregnant, quitting smoking will improve your chances of having a healthy baby.
- The people you live with, especially your children, will be healthier with less asthma, fewer breathing problems and fewer ear infections.
- You will have extra money to spend on things other than cigarettes.

What's in Cigarette smoke?



Over 7,000 chemicals, 69 are linked causing cancer.

Five Keys for Quitting

Studies have shown that these five steps will help you quit and quit for good. You have the best chances of quitting if you use them together:

- 1. Get ready
- 2. Get support
- 3. Learn new skills and behaviors
- **4.** Get medication (such as the nicotine patch or gum) and use it correctly
- 5. Be prepared for relapse or difficult situations.

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1-866-NY-QUITS (1-866-697-8487)

Free Quitline services:

- Counseling with a trained quitline specialist
- NRT starter kit, if eligible
- A Quit Kit for quitting smoking
- Referrals to your local stop smoking programs

Call a Bronx Stop Smoking Program

Here's what you'll get:

- Personalized counseling, individual or group
- Medications, including nicotine patches (at most site)
- Information in English or Spanish (additional languages at some sites)

Stop Smoking Programs in the Bronx

Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University

Jack D. Weiler Hospital (718) 430-2200 1825 Eastchester Road

Bronx, NY 10461

Jacobi Medical Center

South Building (718) 918-3784 1400 Pelham Pkwy. South English/Spanish

Bronx, NY 10461

Lincoln Medical and Mental Health Center

234 E. 149th Street (718) 579-4934 Bronx, NY 10451 or (718) 579-4912

English/Spanish

Morrisania Diagnostic & Treatment Center

1225 Gerard Avenue (718) 579-4934 Bronx, NY 10452 or (718) 579-4912 English/Spanish

North Central Bronx Hospital

3424 Kossuth Avenue (718) 519-2425 Bronx, NY 10467 English/Spanish

Segundo Ruiz Belvis Diagnostic & Treatment Center

545 E. 142nd Street (718) 579-4934 Bronx, NY 10454 or (718) 519-2490 English/Spanish

