



Asthma and Allergy  
Foundation of America®

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*ST. LOUIS CHAPTER*

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# Who We Are

- AAFA-STL serves those affected by asthma and allergies through education, support and resources.
- Nonprofit
- Rx-assistance Program
  - comprehensive asthma education,
  - medicines and
  - equipment



# Relationships



- Community & Statewide partners
- Champion Republican Legislator (previous successes)
- Public Policy Committee
- Missouri Dept. of Social Services
- Missouri Dept. of Health & Senior Services



# Timeline - 2012



- Had interest in deepening touchpoints with AAFA Clients

- Educated on articles around the country on home assessments

- Talked with community and state partners

- Encouraged Public Policy committee to pursue legislation

# Timeline - 2013



- Held legislative meetings



- Explained healthcare cost savings



- Presented case to MO Dir. Of Social Services



- Submitted White Paper



- Proposed legislation language (Dec 1)



# Timeline - 2014

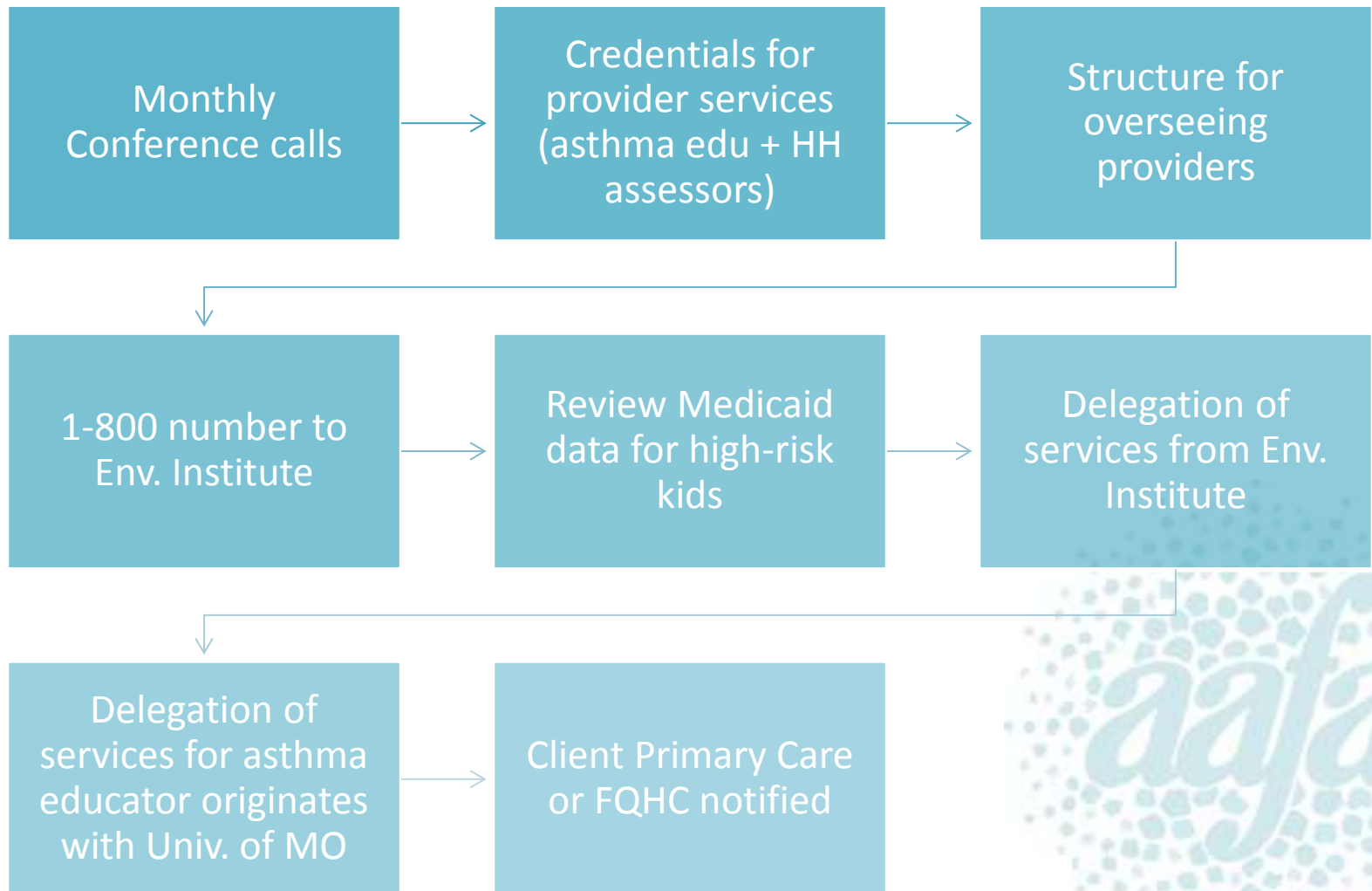


- Got proposed legislation sponsored & supported by legislators

- Bill Passed (July)
  - \$400,000 in budget
  - \$1.2 M Federal Match



# Implementation



# High-Risk Asthma Patient

- 2 or more ED visits/hospitalizations
- Presence of oral steroid use
- Frequent SABA inhaler refills or overuse





# CPT Codes for Services

Code	For	Duration	Cost/Visit	Frequency
S9441	Asthma Education	30 minutes	\$50/visit	4/year
98960	Asthma Education	90 minutes	\$150/visit	2/year
T1028	Home Assessments*		\$125/year	3/year

\*Telephonic asthma coaching built in to cost of home assessments, 2 per home visit



# Questions

