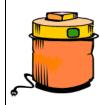


## HEPA FILTER AIR PURIFIERS WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

HEPA stands for "High Efficiency Particulate Air" filter. A HEPA filter can remove some asthma triggers that are in the air **but does not help with all asthma triggers.** 

HEPA filters come in machines that stand alone in a room *or* as part of vacuum cleaners.



HEPA filter air purifiers that stand alone work for **one** room, not the entire house. These air purifiers are good for some triggers such as pet dander, mold, and tobacco smoke. They CANNOT pick up dust and roach particles that are too big or have settled on the ground.

HEPA filter air purifiers should only be used *in addition* to dusting and other trigger control measures.

DO NOT use an air purifier that emits ozone. THEY CAN BE DANGEROUS FOR KIDS WITH ASTHMA.

HEPA filter air purifiers can be expensive! In addition, the filter needs to be changed. Check the instructions to know how often it needs to be changed and cleaned.

You can buy HEPA filter air purifiers at stores like Target, Sears, or Home Depot.

For more information about HEPA filter air purifiers, go to:

http://www.consumersearch.com/air-purifiers/review

<u>HEPA filters on vacuum cleaners</u> prevent dust from going back into the air. This type of vacuum cleaner is recommended for people with allergies or asthma.

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