

American Lung Association of New England (ALA-NE)

Adoption of Proposed Connecticut High Performance Building Standards currently before the Office of Policy and Management:

In response to the proposed Connecticut High Performance Building Standards, ConnFESS prepared Priority Recommendations addressing the many short-comings of the proposed standards as they relate to schools.

American Lung Association of New England (ALA-NE) supports the Priority Recommendations prepared by ConnFESS and notes the frequent reference made within the Priority Recommendations to both the Northeast (NE) and the New York (NY) versions of the Collaborative for High Performance Schools (CHPS) protocols as tools for improving the proposed standards. ALA-NE recommends adopting NE CHPS as the most effective way to ensure appropriate standards for designing, commissioning, renovating, and constructing environmentally safe and efficient schools. Further, a stakeholder group including ConnFESS should be convened to adapt the NE CHPS to best meet the needs of Connecticut's schools.