November 12 is World Pneumonia Day

Pneumonia is an infection of the lungs that preys on vulnerable groups, such as young, elderly, and immunocompromised people.

Older people are more likely to die from pneumonia than from any other reason for hospital admission.

Cancer
Heart disease
Kidney disease
Stroke
Accidents
Alzheimer's disease

Pneumonia does not afflict just the young and the old – half of the US adults hospitalized for severe pneumonia are people 18-57 years old.

Surviving pneumonia has consequences:

- it increases the occurrence of chronic respiratory disease in children
- it accelerates respiratory, cardiovascular, and neurological decline among adults

Even if you survive pneumonia, you are still in danger.

We help the world breathe®
PULMONARY • CRITICAL CARE • SLEEP

ATS