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IT'S WORTH A SHOT

For many allergy sufferers, receiving allergy immunotherapy can relieve them of frustrating and sometimes debilitating responses to their dreaded allergens. Immunotherapy or “allergy shots” work similarly to a vaccine, reducing the problematic immune response to irritants.

Children with a strong family history of allergy may experience the “allergic march” – eczema in young childhood, allergic rhinitis in the early school years, and potentially the development of asthma. In some cases, allergy immunotherapy can prevent children with allergic rhinitis from developing permanent allergic asthma. Reducing the severity of allergic rhinitis often has a beneficial effect on established asthma, as well.

Stinging insect immunotherapy illustrates another dramatic impact allergy shots can have. Generally, by using this method, the risk of individuals experiencing a potentially life-threatening shock when stung is reduced by about 90 percent.

If you have dealt with debilitating or otherwise uncomfortable symptoms due to an allergy, ask your allergist about allergy immunotherapy options.

Call **THE WILLIAM STORMS ALLERGY CLINIC** at **719-955-6000** for an appointment. Our office provides personalized attention in a friendly, courteous environment. We are located at **1625 Medical Center Point, Suite 190**. Our clinic also treats hay fever and allergies to food, drugs, and insects.