

ASTHMA ACTION PLAN

CHILD'S NAME..... SCHOOL.....
 TYPE OF INHALER

NHS NUMBER DATE OF BIRTH _ _ / _ _ / _ _



MANAGING AN ASTHMA ATTACK. IN THE EVENT OF ANY SYMPTOMS:

- WHEEZE
- TIGHT or SORE CHEST
- COUGH
- SHORTNESS OF BREATH
- Administer reliever inhaler (usually blue) via Spacer
- Give **1 puff of reliever every 30-60 seconds** (max 10 puffs)
- If reliever is needed more than 4-hourly, medical advice/attention should be sought and parents contacted.

REMEMBER TO SHAKE INHALER BEFORE USE

IF NO IMPROVEMENT

SIGNS OF AN ACUTE ASTHMA ATTACK

If the child's reliever inhaler (usually blue) + spacer are not helping and/or the child presents with ANY of the following:

- They can't talk or walk easily
- They are breathing hard and fast
- Their lips turn blue
- They are coughing or wheezing incessantly

During this time the child should:

- Sit up – DO NOT LIE DOWN
- Be encouraged to stay calm
- Be accompanied by a member of staff
- Give 1 puff of reliever every 30-60 seconds (maximum 10 puffs)

IF NO IMPROVEMENT AFTER 10 PUFFS OR ANY CONCERNS

CALL 999 IMMEDIATELY

- CONTINUE TO ADMINISTER THE INHALER IN CYCLES OF 10 PUFFS AS ADVISED ABOVE EVERY 15 MINUTES UNTIL THE AMBULANCE ARRIVES
- contact parent/carer and accompany child in the ambulance until parent/carer arrives

For exercise induced asthma (complete only if asthma brought on by exercise)

- Take _____ puffs of the reliever inhaler (usually blue) via spacer 10-15 minutes BEFORE physical exercise

CHILD'S TRIGGERS

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PARENTAL CONSENTS (tick boxes)

- I consent to the administration of the prescribed inhaler by members of staff and will notify school if there are any changes to my child's medication and personal details. I will provide my child's inhaler and spacer in school and will ensure that they are in date.
- I consent to school staff administering the emergency school inhaler should my child's personal inhaler be unavailable
- I consent for this plan to be on display in school and I will notify the school of any changes for review

Signature of Parent/Carer:

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Date:

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

1. Name.....
 Number.....
2. Name.....
 Number.....