

November 2020 Clinical Update: Asthma in Home and in School



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ASTHMA MEDICAL MANAGEMENT: PART 1

Session 3 Objectives

- Discuss social and financial barriers in asthma medication and case management

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Session 3 Introductions:

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EXHALE

Strategies to help people with asthma
breathe easier

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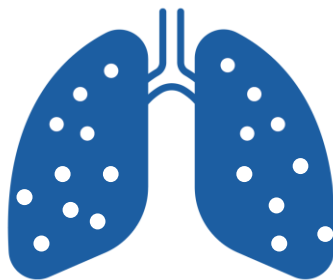
National Center for Environmental Health



Asthma's Impact On The Nation



1 in 13 people
has asthma
(about 25 million people)



Annual impact

- 1.7 million emergency department (ED) visits
- 439,000 hospitalizations
- Total cost of \$82 billion

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About **10**
asthma-related
deaths each day

Asthma Can Be Controlled



Asthma control:



Prevents symptoms like wheezing, coughing, or difficulty breathing



Prevents asthma-related ED visits, hospitalizations, and deaths



Decreases missed school and work days because of asthma

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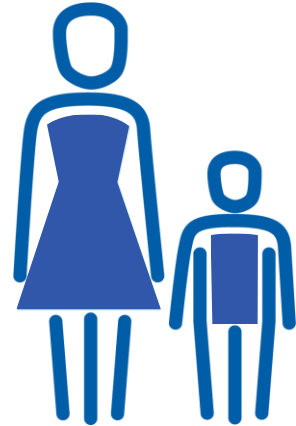
https://www.cdc.gov/asthma/pdfs/EXHALE_technical_package-508.pdf

EXHALE Can Help Control Asthma

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EXHALE is a set of **six strategies** that each contribute to better asthma control

EXHALE can help both **children and adults** with asthma



EXHALE Can Help Control Asthma

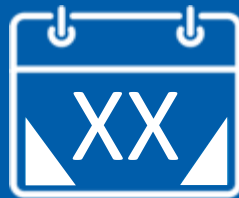
Each strategy in EXHALE has been proven to reduce asthma-related:



Hospitalizations



Emergency
department visits



Missed days of
work or school



Healthcare
costs

EXHALE

Education

on asthma self-management

X-tinguishing

smoking and exposure to secondhand smoke

Home

visits for trigger reduction and asthma self-management education

Achievement

of guidelines-based medical management

Linkages

and coordination of care across settings

Environmental

policies or best practices to reduce asthma triggers from indoor, outdoor, or occupational sources

Selected Strategies to Help People with Asthma

EXHALE

Education on asthma self-management

Key components of asthma self-management education (AS-ME) include:

- Understanding asthma basics
- Using asthma medications correctly
- Responding when asthma symptoms worsen
- Reducing exposure to asthma triggers (e.g., environmental allergens)

Sources: https://www.cdc.gov/asthma/pdfs/EXHALE_technical_package-508.pdf;
Expert Panel Report 3: Guidelines for the Diagnosis and Management of Asthma, 2007



Selected Strategies to Help People with Asthma 2

EXHALE

X-tinguishing smoking and exposure to secondhand smoke

This strategy includes:

- Reducing tobacco smoking among people with asthma
- Reducing exposure to secondhand smoke among people with asthma



Selected Strategies to Help People with Asthma

EXHALE

Home visits for trigger reduction and asthma self-management education

This strategy:

- Includes AS-ME and home environmental assessments to identify asthma triggers
- Can provide cost-effective care management services to people at high risk of asthma attacks



Selected Strategies to Help People with Asthma 4

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Achievement of guidelines-based medical management

This strategy includes:

- Strengthening the systems that support guidelines-based medical care, including appropriate prescribing and use of asthma controller medications
- Improving access and adherence to asthma medications and devices



Selected Strategies to Help People with Asthma 5

EXHALE

Linkages and coordination of care across settings

This strategy includes:

- Linking people with asthma to healthcare and community services
- Maintaining communication among those who help people with asthma (e.g., healthcare providers, school personnel)

Sources: https://www.cdc.gov/asthma/pdfs/EXHALE_technical_package-508.pdf;
https://www.cdc.gov/healthyschools/shs/care_coordination.htm



Selected Strategies to Help People with Asthma 6

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Environmental policies or best practices to reduce asthma triggers from indoor, outdoor, or occupational sources

This strategy includes:

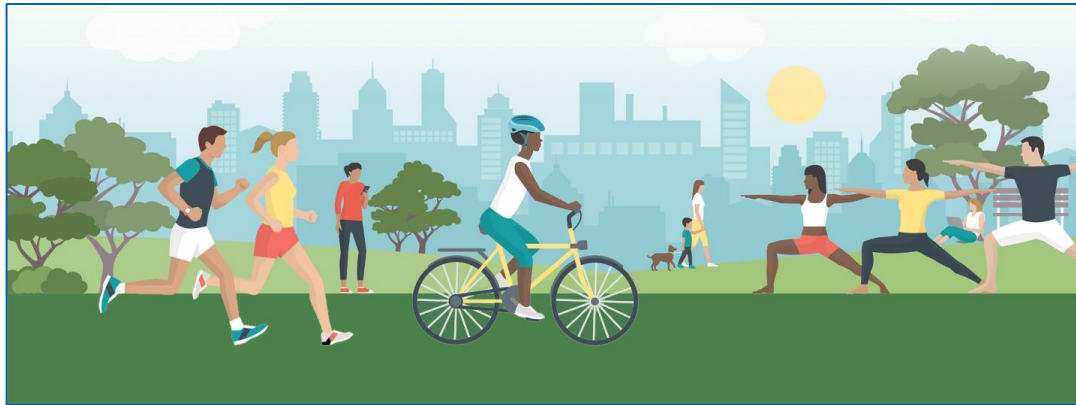
- Facilitating home energy efficiency, including home weatherization assistance programs
- Facilitating smokefree policies
- Facilitating clean diesel school buses
- Eliminating or reducing exposure to asthma triggers in the workplace



EXHALE Addresses Social Determinants of Health

Multiple strategies in EXHALE can improve conditions in the places where people live, work, learn, play, and spend time

- Reducing asthma triggers (e.g., through home visits or environmental policies or best practices) can improve conditions in homes, schools, workplaces, and other settings
- Linkages and care coordination includes connecting people with asthma to local support services that can improve housing conditions



More About EXHALE

- EXHALE can have the greatest impact when multiple strategies are used together in every community
- Every person with asthma does not necessarily need every strategy in EXHALE
 - **Example:** Home visits can be focused on people who have needed hospital or ED care for asthma

Source: https://www.cdc.gov/asthma/pdfs/EXHALE_technical_package-508.pdf



EXHALE Can Be Used By:



Public health
professionals



Healthcare
providers



People with asthma
and their families



Schools

...and others

Thank You

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Optimizing Asthma Treatment Regimens During the COVID-19 Pandemic *Achieving Control*

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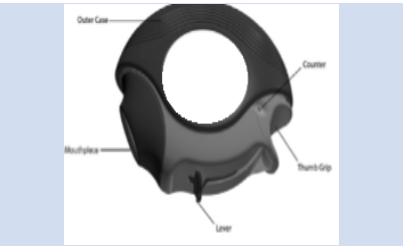
- AstraZeneca Speakers Bureau, Symbicort HFA[®] and Bevespi Aerosphere[®]
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- Manuscript support, Boehringer Ingelheim

Objectives

- Utilize evidence-based asthma guidelines to recommend preferred initial therapy and modify existing therapy.
- List potential advantages and possible shortcomings of available inhalation delivery systems to individualize asthma therapy.
- Provide strategies to monitor the efficacy of treatment regimens, as well as, ways to avoid adverse effects.

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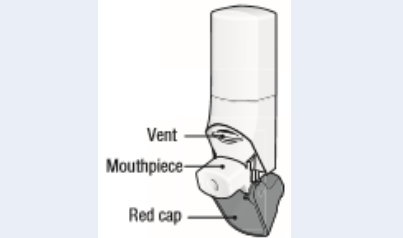
Diskus[®]



MDI[®]



Ellipta[®]



Respclick[®]

Device Names

Ellipta [®]	Respclick [®]
MDI [®]	Diskus [®]

FDA Approval of Inhalation “Devices”

- Salmeterol xinafoate (Serevent Diskus®).....2/04/1994
- Budesonide Inhalation Suspension (Pulmicort Respules®).....8/09/2000
- Formoterol fumarate (Foradil Aerolizer®)9/25/2001
- Tiotropium bromide (Spiriva Handihaler®)1/30/2004
- Mometasone furoate (Asmanex Twisthaler®)3/30/2005
- Budesonide (Pulmicort Flexhaler®)..... 7/12/2006
- Indacaterol (Arcapta Neohaler®) 7/01/2011
- Ipratropium bromide, albuterol (Combivent Respimat®).....10/7/2011
- Aclidinium bromide (Tudorza Pressair®) 7/23/2012
- Fluticasone furoate, vilanterol (Breo Ellipta®)..... 5/10/2013
- Albuterol sulfate (ProAir® RespiClick®) 3/31/2015
- Beclomethasone dipropionate (Qvar® RediHaler™)..... 8/3/2017
- Albuterol sulfate (ProAir® Digihaler™)12/21/2018
- Fluticasone propionate, salmeterol (Wixela™ Inhub™)..... 1/30/2019

An estimated 31–85% of health professionals show incorrect technique when tested objectively¹

Asthma Management – Free Resources!

- Inhaler Use

- Product manufacturer websites
- National Jewish Health. Inhaled Medication Instructional Videos: Asthma and General Lung Diseases. <http://www.nationaljewish.org/healthinfo/medications/lung-diseases/devices/instructional-videos>
- How to use inhalers - interactive guidance and management. useinhalers.com <http://use-inhalers.com/>
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (2018). Know How to Use Your Asthma Inhaler. Retrieved from https://www.cdc.gov/asthma/inhaler_video/default.htm

- Additional Resources

- Massachusetts Asthma Action Partnership. How to Obtain Free Demonstration Devices of Commonly Used Inhalers for Asthma and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) Management. 2019. Available: <https://www.maasthma.org/resources>
- Mass.gov®. Massachusetts Department of Public Health. Asthma. Web site. <https://www.mass.gov/topics/asthma> Accessed Sept 22, 2020.
- EPA.gov®. Environmental Protection Agency. Asthma Home Environment Checklist. Web site. <https://www.epa.gov/asthma/asthma-home-environment-checklist> Accessed Sept 22, 2020.

Aerosol Generating Procedures (AGPs)

Nebulized Treatments

- Perform in separate room (away from students & staff)
- Open window in addition to a portable HEPA filtration unit (if possible)
- Remain more than 6 feet away
- Appropriate PPE (N95 respirator or altern, eye protection, gloves, & gowns)
- Hard surfaces should be disinfected between students
- Air out room with an open window between students for as long as possible
- Dedicated room should have good ventilation and separated with a door

1. Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. DPH Guidance for School Health Professionals & Additional Information for School Health Offices. Updated: 9/3/2020 Available: <https://www.mass.gov/doc/information-for-school-health-offices/download>
2. Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America, (2020). [COVID-19 and Asthma Toolkit for Schools: Creating an Environment That Protects Students and Staff With Asthma While Preventing the Spread the New Coronavirus] Retrieved from www.aafa.org/managing-asthma-and-covid19-in-school

Singulair[®] (montelukast) Boxed -Warning

- ▣ ***March 2008*** - FDA issues a MedWatch due to a possible association between the use of montelukast and behavior/mood changes, suicidality, or suicide.
- ▣ ***Jan 2009*** - FDA continues to study the potential mood and behavioral adverse events linked with drugs that influence the leukotriene pathway
- ▣ ***April 2009*** - FDA completes a review on post-marketing reports and clinical trial data.
- ▣ ***June 2009*** - FDA requests a labeling precaution related to potential psychiatric events.
- ▣ ***March 2020*** FDA requires Boxed Warning about serious mental health side effects

Asthma Controller Medications

Controller Therapies

Inhaled Corticosteroids



Leukotriene Modifiers



Singulair®
(montelukast)

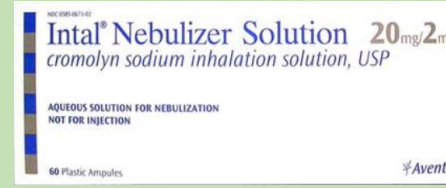


Accolate®
(zafirlukast)



Zyflo®
(zileuton)

Mast Cell Stabilizer



Combination Inhalers



“Add ons”

Antimuscarinics



Biologics



Inhaler Device Options

Slow Mist Inhalers (SMI)



Metered Dose Inhalers (MDI)



Dry Powder Inhalers (DPI)



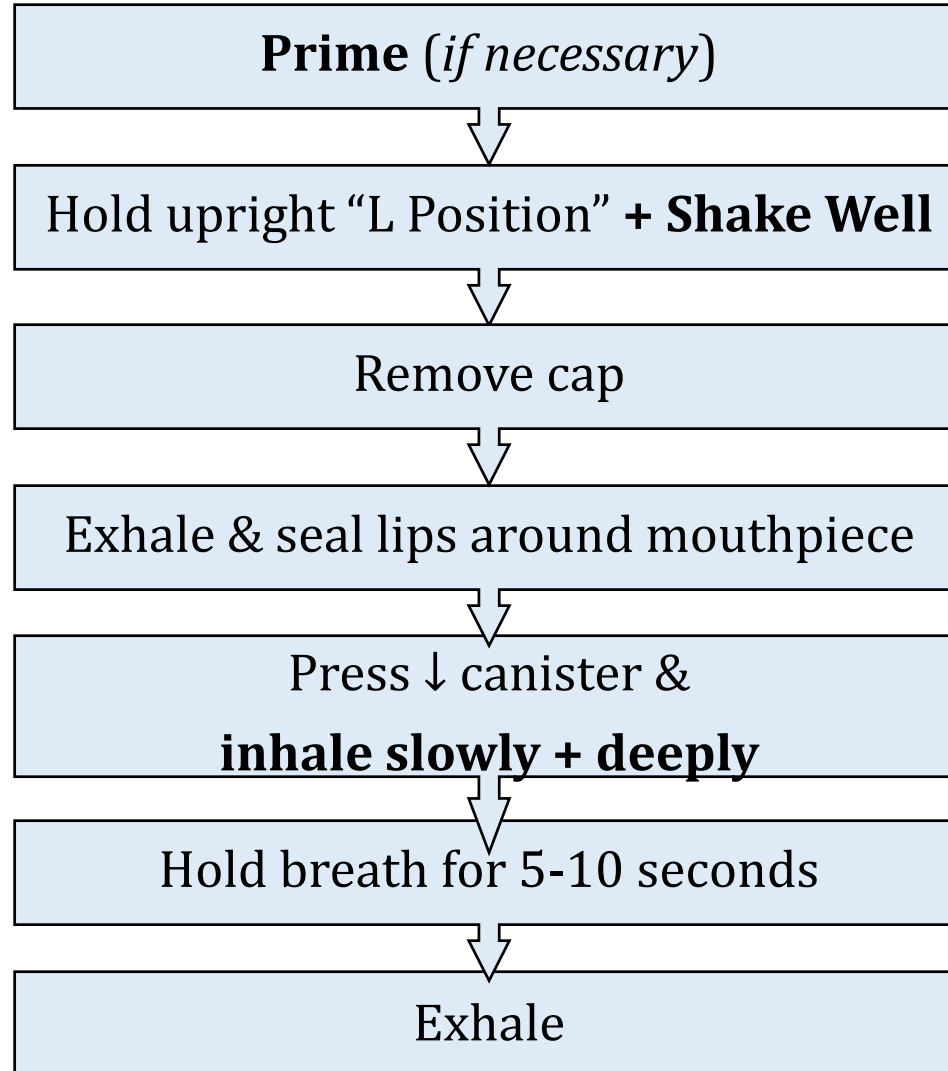
Capsule-based DPI



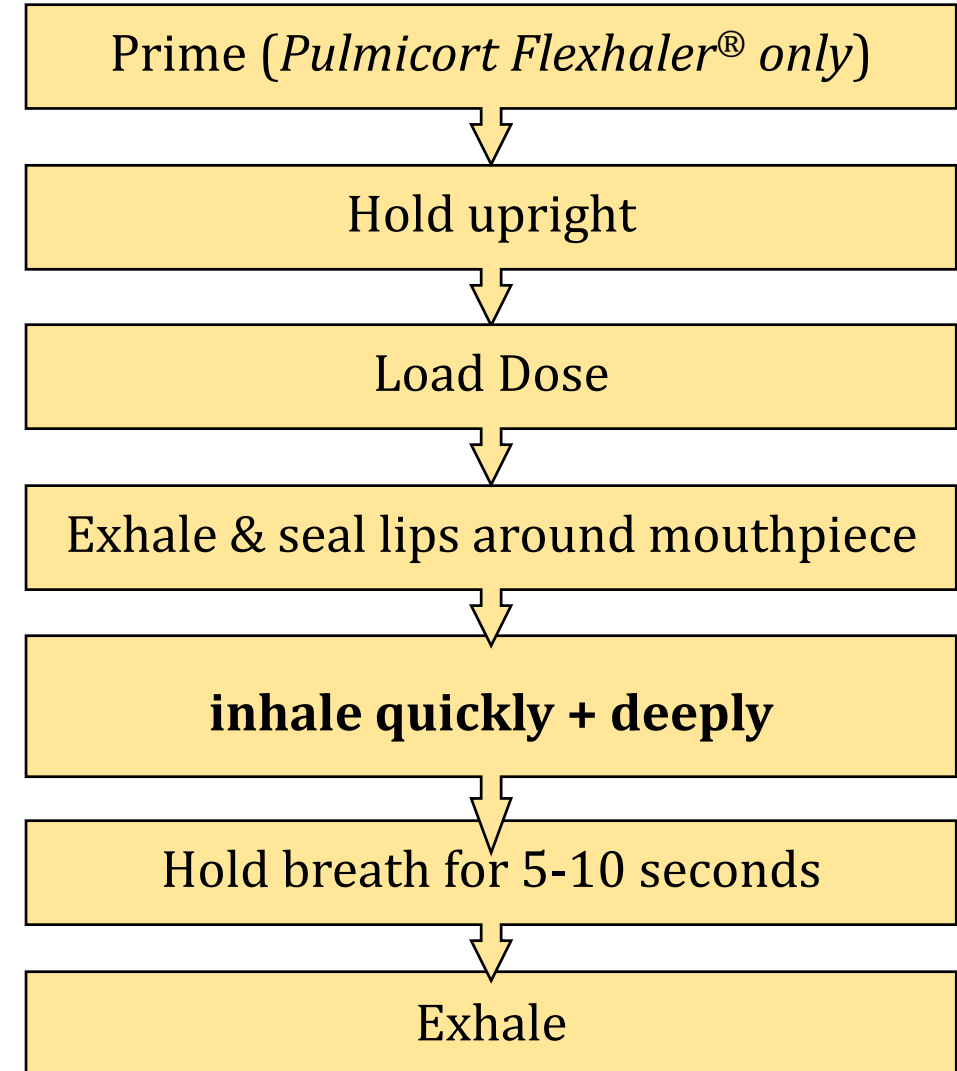
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Appropriate Inhaler Use - MDI versus DPI


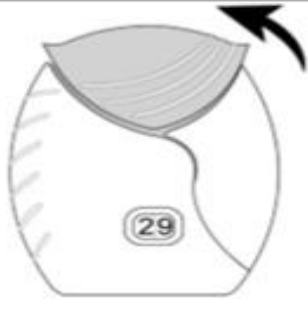


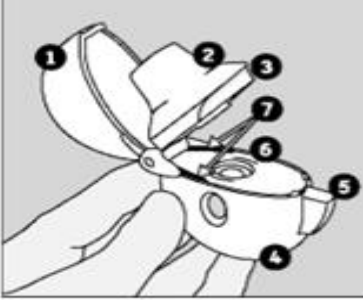
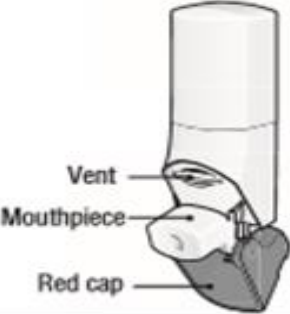

MDI



DPI



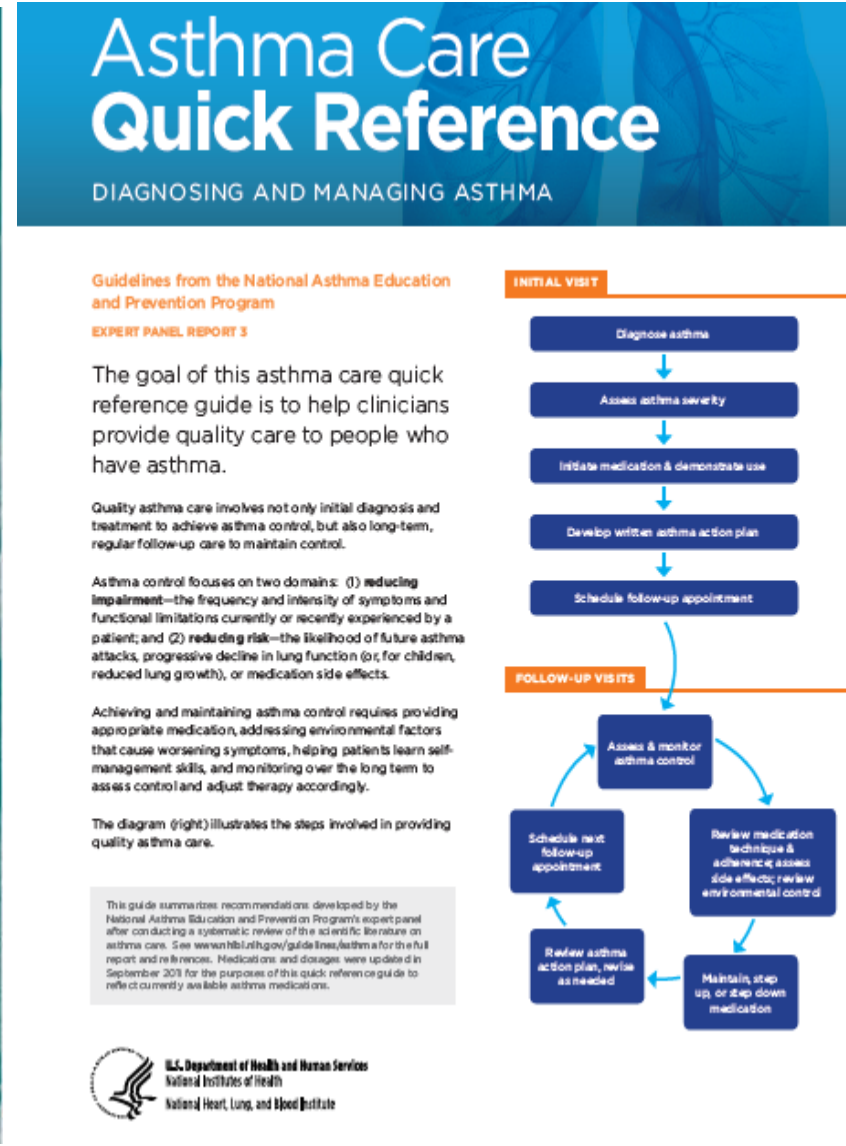
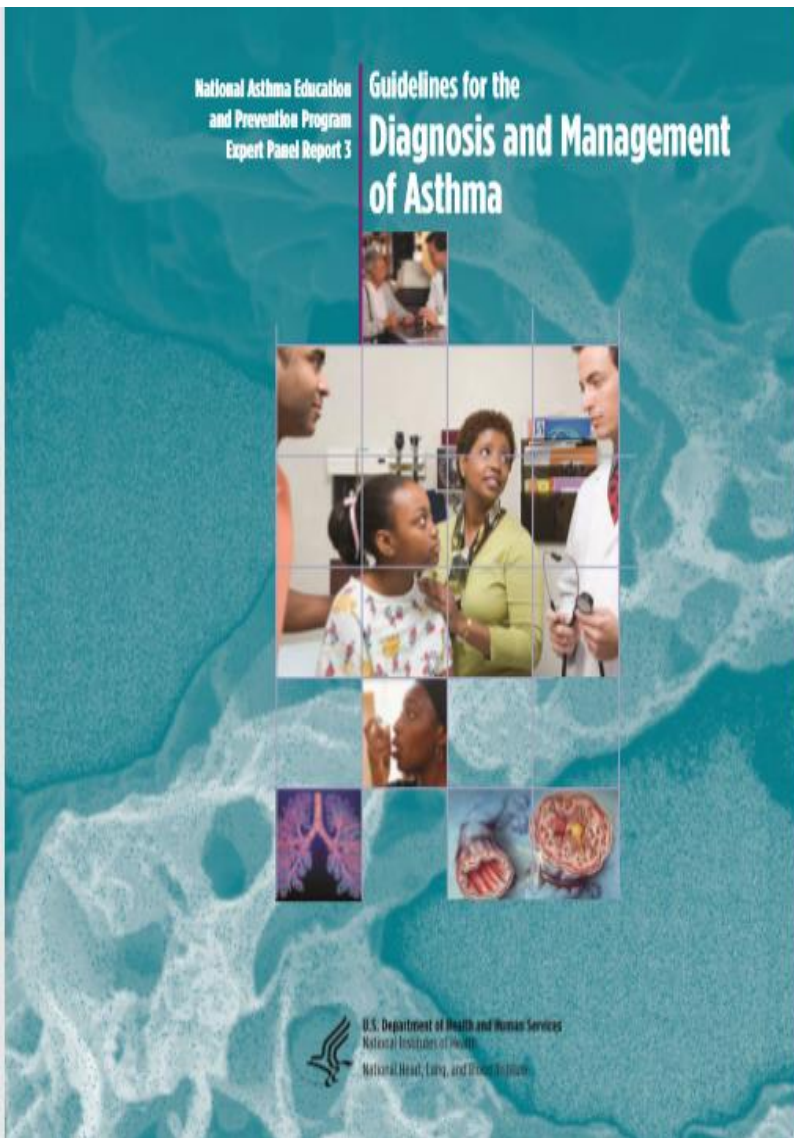
Dry Powder Inhalers (DPI)

		
<p>Breathe in quickly and deeply</p>	<p>Take one long, steady, deep breath in</p>	<p>Breathe in (inhale) deeply and forcefully through the inhaler</p>
		
<p>Take a strong, deep breath breathing in for as long as possible.</p>	<p>Breathe in deeply until lungs are full. Capsule will rattle. Repeat to ensure full dose received.</p>	<p>Breathe in quickly and deeply through your mouth</p>
 <p>Take a fast, deep breath</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Product Information: Advair Diskus inhalation powder, fluticasone propionate/salmeterol inhalation powder. GlaxoSmithKline (per FDA), Research Triangle Park, NC, 2014. Product Information: Breo Ellipta oral inhalation powder, fluticasone furoate/vilanterol oral inhalation powder. GlaxoSmithKline (per manufacturer), Research Triangle Park, NC, 2013. Product Information: Pulmicort Flexhaler inhalation powder, budesonide inhalation powder. AstraZeneca LP, Wilmington, DE, 2007. Product Information: Tudorza Pressair inhalation powder, acclidinium bromide inhalation powder. AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals LP (per FDA), Wilmington, DE, 2019. Product Information: Spiriva Handihaler oral inhalation powder, tiotropium bromide oral inhalation powder. Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (per FDA), Ridgefield, CT, 2015. Product Information: Proair Respiclick oral inhalation powder, albuterol sulfate oral inhalation powder. Teva Respiratory, LLC (per manufacturer), Horsham, PA, 2015. Product Information: Asmanex Twisthaler oral inhalation powder, mometasone furoate oral inhalation powder. Schering Corporation, Kenilworth, NJ, 2008. 	

Selecting Therapy

- Cost & Coverage!!!
 - Product availability
 - Adverse effect profile
 - Patient population (e.g. children, older adults, etc.)
 - New precautionary statements and clinical updates.
- Lifestyle
 - Patient preference
 - Prior experience
 - Ability to use device
 - Lung function
 - Cognitive function
 - Dexterity & strength

Asthma Guideline Documents



- National Heart, Lung, & Blood Institute, National Asthma Education and Prevention Program. Guidelines for the diagnosis and management of asthma. Expert Panel Report 3, Publication No. 08-5846. Bethesda, MD: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Oct 2007.
- National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute; National Institutes of Health; U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Asthma Care Quick Reference Guide.
- Global Initiative for Asthma. Global Strategy for Asthma Management and Prevention, 2020. Available from: www.ginasthma.org

Key Evidence Based Guidelines

NAEPP EPR-3

- Published 2007 (*full version 440 pages*)
- Report history:
 - EPR-1 (1991); EPR-2 (1997) w/ focused update 2002; *EPR-4 focused update by end of 2020.*
- Emphasis:
 - Assessment & monitoring
 - Patient education
 - Contributing factor control
 - Pharmacologic treatment
- 2 Domains defining severity & control
 - Impairment
 - Risk

GINA 2020

- Published 2020 (*full version 211 pages*)
- Report history:
 - Updated annually since 2002; *Fundamental change in 2019*
- Emphasis:
 - Definition and proper diagnosis
 - Assessment & monitoring
 - Pharmacologic treatment
 - Translation into clinical practice
- 2 Domains of asthma control
 - Symptom control
 - Risk

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2) Global Initiative for Asthma. Global Strategy for Asthma Management and Prevention, 2020. Available from: www.ginasthma.org

GINA – Assessing Asthma Control in Patients 6+ Years of Age, Adolescents & Adults

Asthma Symptom Control Box 2-2A		Level of Asthma Symptom Control		
In the past 4 weeks has the patient had:		Well Controlled	Partially Controlled	Uncontrolled
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Daytime Symptoms >2x/week?..... Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>• Night waking due to asthma?..... Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>• Albuterol >2x/week?..... Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>• Activity limitation due to asthma?.... Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		None of these	1-2 of these	3-4 of these

Risk Factors Poor Outcomes Box 2-2B	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• High SABA use (>1 canister/month 200ct = ↑ mortality)• Inadequate or missing ICS, poor adherence or technique• Low FEV₁ (i.e. <60% predicted)• Higher bronchodilator reversibility• Major physiological or socioeconomic problems• Exposures: smoking; allergen if sensitized• Comorbidities: obesity, chronic rhinosinusitis, food allergy• Sputum or blood eosinophilia• Elevated FeNO (in adults with allergic asthma receiving ICS)• Pregnancy	<p><u>Major independent risk factors for exacerbations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ever intubated or admitted to an ICU due to asthma• ≥ 1 severe exacerbation in the last 12 months <p><u>Risk factors for developing fixed airflow limitation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pre-term birth, low birth weight, and > infant weight gain• Lack of ICS treatment• Exposures: tobacco smoke, noxious chemicals, occupational• Low FEV₁, chronic mucus hypersecretion, sputum or blood eosinophilia <p><u>Risk factors for side effects</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Systemic: OCS, High dose ICS, taking P450 inhibitors• Local: High dose ICS, poor inhaler technique

SUGGESTED INITIAL CONTROLLER TREATMENT IN ADULTS AND ADOLESCENTS WITH A DIAGNOSIS OF ASTHMA



ASSESS:

Confirmation of diagnosis
Symptom control & modifiable risk factors
(including lung function)

Comorbidities
Inhaler technique & adherence
Patient preferences and goals

START HERE IF:

Symptoms less than twice a month

Symptoms twice a month or more, but less than daily

Symptoms most days, or waking with asthma once a week or more

Symptoms most days, or waking with asthma once a week or more, and low lung function

Short course OCS may also be needed for patients presenting with severely uncontrolled asthma

PREFERRED CONTROLLER
to prevent exacerbations and control symptoms

STEP 1

As-needed low dose ICS-formoterol *

Other controller options

Low dose ICS taken whenever SABA is taken †

STEP 2

Daily low dose inhaled corticosteroid (ICS), or as-needed low dose ICS-formoterol *

Daily leukotriene receptor antagonist (LTRA), or low dose ICS taken whenever SABA taken †

STEP 3

Low dose ICS-LABA

Medium dose ICS, or low dose ICS+LTRA #

STEP 4

Medium dose ICS-LABA

High dose ICS, add-on tiotropium, or add-on LTRA #

STEP 5

High dose ICS-LABA
Refer for phenotypic assessment ± add-on therapy, e.g. tiotropium, anti-IgE, anti-IL5/5R, anti-IL4R

Add low dose OCS, but consider side-effects

PREFERRED RELIEVER

Other reliever option

As-needed low dose ICS-formoterol *

As-needed short-acting β_2 -agonist (SABA)

As-needed low dose ICS-formoterol for patients prescribed maintenance and reliever therapy‡

* Data only with budesonide-formoterol (bud-form)

† Separate or combination ICS and SABA inhalers

‡ Low-dose ICS-form is the reliever only for patients prescribed bud-form or BDP-form maintenance and reliever therapy

Consider adding HDM SLIT for sensitized patients with allergic rhinitis and FEV1 >70% predicted

SUGGESTED INITIAL CONTROLLER TREATMENT IN CHILDREN 6-11 YEARS WITH A DIAGNOSIS OF ASTHMA



ASSESS:

Confirmation of diagnosis
Symptom control & modifiable risk factors
(including lung function)

Comorbidities
Inhaler technique & adherence
Child and parent preferences and goals

START HERE IF:

Symptoms less than twice a month

Symptoms twice a month or more, but less than daily

Symptoms most days, or waking with asthma once a week or more

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PREFERRED CONTROLLER
to prevent exacerbations and control symptoms

Other controller options

RELIEVER

STEP 1

Low dose ICS taken whenever SABA taken*; or daily low dose ICS

STEP 2

Daily low dose inhaled corticosteroid (ICS) (see table of ICS dose ranges for children)

Daily leukotriene receptor antagonist (LTRA), or low dose ICS taken whenever SABA taken*

STEP 3

Low dose ICS-LABA or medium dose ICS

Low dose ICS + LTRA

STEP 4

Medium dose ICS-LABA
Refer for expert advice

High dose ICS-LABA, or add-on tiotropium, or add-on LTRA

STEP 5

Refer for phenotypic assessment ± add-on therapy, e.g. anti-IgE

Add-on anti-IL5, or add-on low dose OCS, but consider side-effects

As-needed short-acting β_2 -agonist (SABA)

* Separate ICS and SABA inhalers

Estimated “Clinical” Comparability of Daily ICS Doses

Medication	Low Dose			Medium Dose			High Dose		
	Child 0-5 yrs	Child 6-11 yrs	Adult 12yrs+	Child 0-5 yrs	Child 6-11 yrs	Adult 12yrs+	Child 0-5 yrs	Child 6-11 yrs	Adult 12yrs+
Beclomethasone 40mcg or 80mcg	50mcg (5yrs+)	50-100mcg	100-200mcg		>100- 200mcg	>200- 400mcg		>200 mcg	>400mcg
Budesonide DPI 90mcg, 180mcg,		100-200mcg	200-400mcg		>200- 400mcg	>400- 800mcg		>400 mcg	>800mcg
Budesonide Nebulization	0.5mg (1 yr+)	0.25-0.5mg			>0.5-1mg			>1mg	
Fluticasone furoate DPI 50mcg, 100mcg, 200mcg			100mcg						200mcg
Fluticasone HFA 44mcg, 110mcg, 220mcg	50mcg (4yrs+)	50-100mcg	100-250mcg		>100- 200mcg	>250- 500mcg		>200 mcg	>500mcg
Fluticasone DPI 50mcg, 100mcg, 250mcg		50-100mcg	100-250mcg		>100- 200mcg	>250- 500mcg		>200 mcg	>500mcg
Mometasone DPI 110mcg, 220mcg			200mcg			200mcg			400mcg
Mometasone MDI 50mcg, 100mcg, 200mcg	100mcg (5yrs+)	100mcg	200-400mcg		100mcg	200-400mcg		200mcg	>400mcg
Ciclesonide 80mcg, 160mcg		80mcg	80-160mcg		>80-160mcg	>160- 320mcg		>160 mcg	>320mcg

Inhaled Corticosteroids (ICS)

Qvar® ReditHaler® (beclomethasone)

Indication: 4+ years of age

- 40mcg/puff (120c) \$228.25
- 80mcg/puff (120ct) \$305.62



BA MDI

Pulmicort® Flexhaler® (budesonide)

Indication: 6+ years of age

- 90mcg/puff (60ct) \$211.84
- 180mcg/puff (120ct) \$283.66



DPI

Alvesco HFA® (ciclesonide)

Indication 12+ years of age

- 80mcg/puff (60ct) \$301.88
- 160mcg/puff (60ct) \$329.05



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Flovent HFA® (fluticasone propionate)

- I • 44mcg/puff (120ct) \$231.36
- 110mcg/puff (120ct) \$309.73
- 220mcg/puff (120ct) \$481.09



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Flovent Diskus® (fluticasone propionate)

Indication 4+ years of age

- 50mcg/puff (120ct) \$12.99
- 100mcg/puff (120ct) \$231.36
- 250mcg/puff (120ct) \$309.73



DPI

Asmanex® Twisthaler® (mometasone)

Indication 4+ years of age

- 110mcg/puff (30ct) \$13.86
- 220mcg/puff (30ct) \$19.74
- 330mcg/puff (30ct) \$386.52



DPI

Asmanex HFA® (mometasone)

Indication 12+ years of age

- 50mcg/puff (120ct) \$212.87
- 100mcg/puff (120ct) \$229.63
- 200mcg/puff (120ct) \$269.88



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Arnuity Ellipta® (fluticasone furoate)

Indication 5+ years of age

- 50mcg/puff (120ct) \$214.52
- 100mcg/puff (120ct) \$214.52
- 200mcg/puff (120ct) \$287.20



DPI

Common Inhalation Devices used for Asthma

Characteristics	MDI	BA MDI	SMI	Jet Nebulizer	Dry Powder Inhalers (DPIs)			
		Redihaler	Respimat		Diskus & Ellipta	Twisthaler	Flexhaler	RespiClick
Portable / Compact [#]	+++	++	+++	-	++	+++	++	++
Inspiratory effort (peak inspiratory flow rate L/min) ^{2,3,4,5}	<30	<30	<30	<30	Min 30 Optimal >60	Min 30 Optimal >60	Min 30 Optimal >60	>40* ²
Short treatment time	+++	+++	+++	-	+++	+++	+++	+++
Coordinate timing between “actuation” & “inhalation”	-	+++	-/+	+++	+++	+++	+++	+++
Assembly required to load dose	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No
Routine cleaning “required”	Weekly	No	Wipe mouthpiece weekly	Each use/ Disinfect Weekly	No	No	Wipe mouthpiece weekly	No
ICS available in device?	Yes	Yes	No	Kids<8yrs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

** Based on Spiromax device # Expert opinion (+) = advantage (-) = disadvantage BA MDI = breath activated metered dose inhaler SMI = Soft mist inhaler*
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Asthma Controlled? Consider “The Rule of 2”

- **Do you....**

- ☐ Have asthma symptoms or use your quick-relief inhaler (i.e. albuterol) more than **2x** per week?
- ☐ Do you awaken at night with symptoms more than **2x** per month?
- ☐ Do you refill your albuterol more than **2x** per year?

If “YES” to one or more questions, your asthma may NOT be well controlled!

Assessing Asthma Control

Questionnaire	Age (years)	# of Items	Asthma Domains Assessed	Symptom Recall Period
Asthma Control Test (ACT™)	12+	5	Impairment/Symptoms	4 weeks
Childhood Asthma Control Test™	4-11	7	Impairment/Symptoms	4 weeks
Asthma Control Questionnaire (ACQ™)	17+ (original) 6+ (supervised)	7*	Impairment/Symptoms	1 week
Asthma Impairment & Risk Questionnaire (AIRQ™)	12+	10	Impairment/Symptoms + Risk	2 weeks

**Question length may vary by version*

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Certified Asthma Educator (AE-C)

- National Asthma Educator Certification Board (NAECB)
 - “The mission of the NAECB is to promote optimal asthma management and quality of life among individuals with asthma, their families and communities, by advancing excellence in asthma education through the certified asthma educator (AE-C®) process.”
 - The certification exam has been designed to assess qualified health professionals knowledge in asthma education.
 - Since 2002, over 4000 licensed or credentialed health professionals have successfully attained certified asthma educator status (AE-C®).

Questions???



Session 4 Introductions:

Reducing Indoor Air Triggers

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Vaping and Secondhand Smoke

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Thank You & Wrap Up

- Sessions recorded – will post on SHIELD website in December
- CNE awarded at the end of the four (live or recorded) sessions (fee applies)
- Questions Email shieldbu@bu.edu



Thank You!

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