

Asthma Action Plan

Name: ______
Date of birth: ______
Photo

Child can self administer medication if well enough.

Child needs to pre-medicate prior to exercise

Confirmed triggers:

Family/emergency contact name(s):

Work Ph: _______
Home Ph: ______
Mobile Ph: _____

Plan prepared by Dr or NP:

I hereby authorise medications specified on this plan to be administered according to the plan.

Signed:

Date: ______
Date of next review:



- Unscrew and lift off cap. Hold turbhaler upright
- Twist blue base around all the way, and then back all the way
- Breath out gently away from turbuhaler
- Do not breath in to it
- Put mouthpiece in mouth ensuring a good seal is formed with lips
- Breath in through mouth strongly and deeply. Remove turbuhaler from mouth
- Hold the breath for about 5 seconds or as long as comfortable. Breath out

For use with a Bricanyl Turbuhaler

MILD TO MODERATE SIGNS

- Minor difficulty breathing
- May have a cough
- May have a wheeze

ACTION FOR MILD TO MODERATE ASTHMA FLARE UP

- **1** Sit the person upright.
 - Stay with person and be calm and reassuring
- 2 Give 2 separate doses of Bricanyl
 - Breath in through mouth strongly and deeply
 - Remove Turbuhaler from mouth before breathing gently away from the mouthpiece
- 3 Wait 4 minutes.
 - If there is no improvement, give 1 more dose of Bricanyl

If there is still no improvement:

- 4 Phone ambulance: Triple Zero(000)
- 5 Keep giving 1 dose every 4 minutes until emergency assistance arrives

Mild to moderate symptoms do not always present before severe or life-threatening symptoms

SEVERE SIGNS

- Cannot speak a full sentence
- Sitting hunched forward
- Tugging in of skin over chest or throat
- · May have a cough or wheeze
- Obvious difficulty breathing
- Lethargic
- Sore tummy (young children)

LIFE-THREATENING SIGNS

- Unable to speak or 1-2 words
- · Collapsed / Exhausted
- Gasping for breath
- May no longer have a cough or wheeze
- Drowsy/ Confused / Unconscious
- Skin discolouration (blue lips)

ACTION FOR SEVERE / LIFE-THREATENING ASTHMA ATTACK

- 1 Sit the person upright. Be calm and reassuring. Do not leave them alone.
- 2 Phone ambulance: Triple Zero (000).
- 3 Give 2 separate doses of Bricanyl.
 - Breath in through mouth strongly and deeply
 - Remove Turbuhaler from mouth before breathing out gently away from the mouthpiece
- 4 Wait 4 minutes.
- 5 Keep giving 1 dose every 4 minutes until emergency assistance arrives.

Commence CPR at any time if person is unresponsive and not breathing normally. Blue reliever medication is unlikely to harm, even if the person does not have asthma.

IF UNCERTAIN WHETHER IT IS ANAPHYLAXIS OR ASTHMA

- Give adrenaline autoinjector FIRST, then asthma reliever.
- If someone with known food or insect allergy suddenly develops severe asthma like symptoms, give adrenaline autoinjector FIRST, then asthma reliever.

Anaphylaxis: Y	N L	Type of	autoinjector:
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