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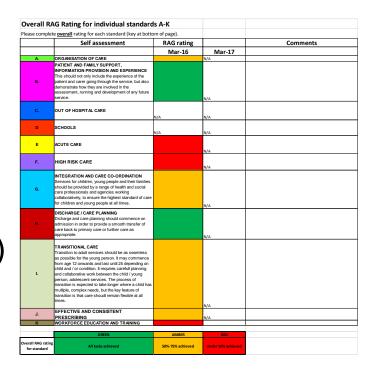


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### **Review of London Asthma Standards**

- Local children's joint clinical and commissioning group
- Identified RAG rated standards
- Action plan implemented
- Local CQUIN for asthma (2016/7)
  - Additional staffing

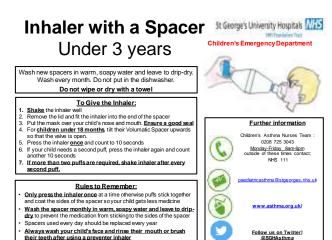


#### Children's Asthma Board

- Board Members
  - Wandsworth GP / Commissioner
  - Merton GP
  - Head of School Nursing
  - Education
  - Hospital Consultant
  - Hospital Management
- 3 monthly meetings
- Ongoing review of standards
- Review of Outcomes
- Review of Asthma Deaths

### **Acute Admissions**

- Local CQUIN increased Asthma CNS staffing
  - 7/7 service
  - Review all asthma admissions
    - Education
    - Inhaler Training
    - PAAP
    - Follow Up
  - Track children attending ED
    - Education when possible
    - FU discussed / Phone Consult
    - Arrange clinic if 2<sup>nd</sup> or subsequent attendance



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ASTHMA ACTION PLAN Hosp Number: .. Triggers These things usually make my asthma REGULAR TREATMENTS ONLY WHEN NEEDED My PREVENTER is: It is the colour: It is the colour: Blue I should take .... puffs in the morning and ... puffs at night. Usually I take .... puffs at first VIRAL WHEEZE I should take this every day even if I feel well. My I take my RELIEVER inhaler only when asthma team may change the dose when I am seen in the clinic. wheeze, cough, I find it hard to breathe or my chest hurts. Start Reliever inhaler at the first sign should ALWAYS brush my teeth or rinse mouth My other regular medications are Take .... puffs before exercise if it Increase dose and frequency to 6-8 usually makes you wheeze or it be puffs every 4 hours if needed. (see hard to breathe. I should take these everyday as well. When symptoms start to settle, reduce the dose of salbutamol by 2 puffs / dose every 24 hours

#### 48 hour review



- Education around need for 48 hour review
  - Consistent advice
  - Telephone parents
- To use ED navigator to book appointments
  - Autumn 2018

# 48 hour GP review for children who have attended ED or been admitted to hospital with wheeze or asthma

This leaflet explains more about the recommended 48 hour GP review for all children who have attended ED or been admitted to hospital with wheeze or asthma. If you have any further questions, please speak to a member of the team.

#### What is the 48 hour review?

If your child has either been

- . treated out of hours in the emergency department (ED or A&E) for asthma or wheezing
- · admitted to hospital with asthma or wheezing

then they should be seen by their own GP within 48 hours (two working days) of leaving hospital (being discharged).

The GP will review your child to make sure their attack is subsiding and that their asthma or wheezing is being managed as well as possible outside of hospital.

## Don't forget to book your child a 48 hour review with their GP.

#### What happens at the 48 hour review?

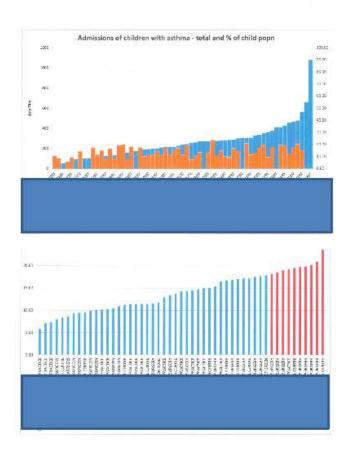
At the review, your child's GP will:

- check your child's attack is resolving ok
- decide how long your child will need to take oral steroids (prednisolone) for. This will normally be three - five days but may sometimes be longer
- review your child's bronchodilator (salbutamol / blue inhaler) weaning plan and make sure you have enough
- check your child's inhaler technique
- · review preventative treatment and make any changes needed to your child's records
- · identify and discuss the trigger for the attack
- assess how the attack was managed at home, and work with you to see if this could get better so your child might not have to go to hospital for treatment in future
- look with you at anything else that may be having an impact on your child's asthma or be happening because of it (psychosocial)
- · give any help needed with giving up smoking
- update your child's personalised asthma action plan, or create one for them and give it to you.

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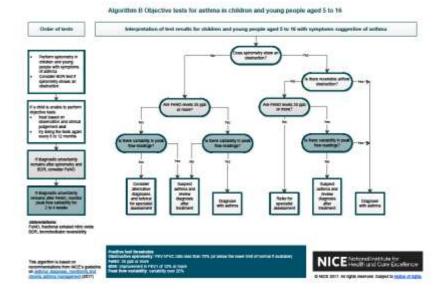
# **Asthma in Primary Care**

- Education sessions
  - Locality based
  - Practice Based
  - Linked CNS
- Admission rates



# **Asthma in Primary Care**

- Diagnosis
  - Post NICE guidance
  - How to meet standards
    - Train all to do spiro etc
    - Refer all to 2<sup>nd</sup> care



- Diagnostic Hubs
  - Locality Based
  - Clinician + Physiology
  - Pilot 2018/9

#### **Schools**

- Implement Asthma Friendly Schools
  - CNS / School Nurse Liaison
  - Education sessions
- Unified asthma plans
- School Emergency Asthma Bags



# **Next Steps**

- SWL asthma meeting
  - Share good practice from each team
  - Develop shared resources
  - Referral pathways
- Continuous audit of asthma referrals / admissions