

Asthma Action Plan: Training Examples for Practice Facilitators

- Severity Example "Mikey Smith"
 - o 6 years old, 45 inches tall, Male, Medicaid Insurance
 - Predicted Peak Flow = 173 (based on calculation)
 - Green Zone: > 138 Yellow Zone: 86-138 Red Zone: < 86
 - Adjust Personal Best Peak Flow to 200 (hit tab to change values)
 - Green Zone: > 160
 Yellow Zone: 100-160
 Red Zone: < 100
 - o Triggers: click Indoor Pets, Exercise, Pollen, Smoke, Other Triggers: type in Horses
 - Is patient regularly taking controller medication? No → assess Severity
 - Symptoms 3-4 times a week, nighttime awakenings once a week, some limitation with normal activity, using albuterol 3-4 times a week, unable to perform spirometry, has required prednisolone 2 or 3 times in the past year
 - Severity closest to Mild Persistent → In Step Therapy Selection choose Step 2
 - Choose Preferred: Low Dose ICS (hover over to expand description)
 - At bottom in Controller Medication Green Zone Choose Medication select Qvar 40 mcg/spray - 1 puff inhaled twice a day
 - Click on Alternative: LTRA to show option of Singulair 5 mg 1 by mouth once a day
 - o Go back to Preferred: Low Dose ICS and select Qvar option
 - Can only select 1 treatment option for Green Zone
 - o 15 minutes before exercise use: select Albuterol HFA 90 mcg/spray 2 puffs inhaled
 - Rescue Medication (can select multiple options here)
 - Yellow Zone
 - Select both Albuterol 2.5/3mL nebulizer solution and Albuterol HFA 90 mcg/spray inhaler
 - Some providers like to give their patients prescriptions for Oral Steroids to fill if they drop into their Yellow Zone – if applicable select Prednisolone 15mg/5mL – 10 mL daily for 5 days
 - Red Zone
 - Select both Albuterol 2.5/3mL nebulizer solution and Albuterol HFA 90 mcg/spray inhaler
 - Check box to use spacer with all appropriate inhalers
 - Generate Plan
 - Enter Patient and Practice Information
 - Patient Name: Mikey Smith, DOB: 1/2/2008
 - Practice: ABC Pediatrics, Office #: 123-456-7890, Fax #: 123-456-7899
 - Add allergy medications into Green Zone, Take these controller medications area (optional)
 - Zyrtec 5 mg chewable 1 by mouth at bedtime
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- Control Example "Emma Jones"
 - o 12 years old, 61 inches tall, Female, Commercial insurance
 - Predicted Peak Flow = 387 (based on calculation)
 - Green Zone: > 309 Yellow Zone: 193-309 Red Zone: < 193
 - Adjust Personal Best Peak Flow to 350 (hit tab to change values)
 - Green Zone: > 280
 Yellow Zone: 175-280
 Red Zone: < 175
 - o **Triggers**: click Respiratory Infections or Flu, Exercise, Dust
 - Is patient regularly taking controller medication? Yes (taking Qvar 80 mcg/spray − 2 puffs inhaled twice a day) → assess Control
 - Symptoms 3-4 times a week, nighttime awakenings once a week, some limitation with normal activity, using albuterol 3-4 times a week, unable to perform spirometry, has required prednisone 2 or 3 times in the past year, no ACT
 - Not Well Controlled in Step Therapy Selection step up 1 step
 - Qvar 80 mcg/spray 2 puffs twice a day is in Step 3 Preferred: Medium Dose ICS (show Qvar in Controller Medication Green Zone Choose Medication area)
 - Step up 1 step to Step 4
 - Select Preferred: Medium Dose ICS + LABA to show options in Choose Medication list (Advair, Symbicort)
 - Select Alternative: Medium Dose ICS + LTRA option
 - Choose Controller Medication Qvar 80 mcg/spray 2 puffs twice a day + Singulair 5 mg – 1 by mouth once a day
 - Can only select 1 treatment option for Green Zone
 - o 15 minutes before exercise use: select Albuterol HFA 90 mcg/spray 2 puffs inhaled
 - Rescue Medication (can select multiple options here)
 - Yellow Zone
 - Select **Albuterol HFA** 90 mcg/spray inhaler
 - Some providers like to give their patients prescriptions for Oral Steroids to fill if they drop into their Yellow Zone – if applicable select Prednisone 40 mg daily for 5 days
 - Red Zone
 - Select Albuterol HFA 90 mcg/spray inhaler
 - Check box to use spacer with all appropriate inhalers
 - Generate Plan
 - Enter Patient and Practice Information
 - Patient Name: Emma Jones. DOB: 1/2/2002
 - Practice: ABC Pediatrics, Office #: 123-456-7890, Fax #: 123-456-7899
 - Add allergy medications into Green Zone, Take these controller medications area (optional)
 - Flonase 2 sprays per nostril at bedtime
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