Asthma School Emergency Plan



Am I Wheezing, Coughing or Short of Breath?

I need my rescue (Salbutamol) blue inhaler. Stay with me. Call for help and follow the instructions below to give my inhaler. If I do not have my inhaler with me then please ask someone to get the Asthma Emergency Medication Kit urgently.

If I am BLUE, EXHAUSTED or you are VERY WORRIED about me Call 999 and follow operators advice.

Using an inhaler (I will need help with these steps).

- Keep calm and sit me up-right
- Shake my rescue (Salbutamol) blue inhaler before use, remove the cap and then place in my spacer
- I need to place the mouth piece of the spacer between my teeth and lips to make a seal. If I have a spacer with a mask, ensure there is a good seal around my mouth and nose.
- I need to spray ONE puff and then take FIVE breaths.
- I will repeat the above steps for each puff of the rescue inhaler, allowing about 30 seconds between each puff. Repeat this UP TO TEN times.
- If child is not better then arrange for EMERGENCY HELP see below.

EMERGENCY HELP

- o I am not getting better
- o I look very unwell
- o I am exhausted
- o I am going blue
- o I have collapsed
- o I am finding it very hard to breathe

CALL 999 AND FOLLOW OPERATOR ADVICE.

4 I am feeling better

o My initial symptoms have now resolved. Please let me rest for 10-20 minutes following using my inhaler.

- o Please inform my parents/carers
- o Please inform the Asthma Champion that I have required my inhaler or the emergency kit to be used.
- o If the emergency inhaler/spacer is used, then please ensure steps are taken to replace urgently.