



School Nurse Verify & Initial:

____ MD signature obtained
____ Medication Authorization Form on file
____ Teacher/Staff trained & signatures on file

Asthma Action Plan

General Information:

■ Name _____

■ Emergency Contact _____

Phone Numbers _____

■ Physician/Health Care Provider _____

Phone Numbers _____

Triggers

- Colds Smoke Weather
 Exercise Dust Air pollution
 Animals Food Other _____

Exercise

1. Pre-medication (how much and when) _____

2. Exercise modifications _____

Usual signs present during your child's asthma attack:

____ Chest tightness ____ Persistent coughing ____ Shortness of breath ____ Wheezing
____ Pale ____ Flushed ____ Look of anxiety or fear ____ Blush color to skin/ nails
____ Difficulty speaking in complete sentences (breathless or clipped speech)
Other _____

Usual procedure followed at school for student having an asthma attack:

1. Allow student to independently use prescribed asthma medication as needed (Identified school staff will provide assistance on an as needed basis).
2. Encourage student to remain calm and take slow deep breaths.
3. Stay with student and monitor response to medication.
 - a. If symptoms decrease within 5 minutes and student is relieved, he/ she may return to class.
 - b. If symptoms persist after 5 minutes, contact parent. Allow student to repeat inhaler dosage 1 time per MD order. Wait another 10 minutes after repeating inhaler, and if student is relieved, he/ she may return to class.If symptoms persist or worsen, follow "C" below.

C. Emergency Action Plan:

1. If symptoms increase in severity, (i.e., inability to walk or talk, hunched over (tripod position) chest/ neck retractions, can't play, lips gray/ blue, air hunger, persistent coughing, etc.), contact an administrator to call 911.
2. Continue to monitor student's breathing and general condition.
3. Contact parent and be prepared to take next appropriate action when necessary - Rescue breathing or CPR until help arrives.

Asthma/Allergy Parent Information and History

1. My child was diagnosed with asthma (year) _____
2. My child has been hospitalized for asthma in the last 6 months? ____ Yes ____ No If yes, date _____
3. Had asthma attack that required ER treatment in the last 6 months? ____ Yes ____ No If yes, date _____
4. Is your child physically limited because of asthma? ____ Yes ____ No If yes, please describe _____
5. Does your child have exercise-induced asthma? ____ Yes ____ No
6. Does your child regularly use his/her inhaler before physical education? ____ Yes ____ No
7. What relieves your child's asthma symptoms? ____ MDI ____ Rest ____ Liquids (hot/cold) ____ Other _____
8. Does your child use a spacer? ____ Yes ____ No If so, is the spacer at school? ____ Yes ____ No
9. Does your child use a Peak Flow Meter? ____ Yes ____ No
10. Peak Flow use: ____ Home ____ Independent ____ Parent assisted
11. Peak Flow: Normal range _____ to _____ Emergency range _____ to _____
12. Is a breathing treatment machine used at home? ____ Yes ____ No If yes, how often? _____
(If your child takes treatments at home please notify the school nurse)
13. Does your child have any asthma related allergies? ____ Yes ____ No Name allergy _____
14. Does your child take allergy medication routinely? ____ Yes ____ No
15. What medication does your child routinely take for the allergy? (Give name) _____

16. How often does your child take this medication? (daily or as needed?) _____

17. Does your child have other health problems? _____ Yes _____ No If yes, describe _____

For MD Use Only

- According to TN State law TCA 49 – 5 – 415 – Students may carry and self-administer a prescribed asthma reliever/ inhaler under the following circumstances. The physician must provide the name, purpose, dose of medication, and the time(s) or special circumstances for use. The physician must further document that the student has been trained in the proper use of the inhaler.
- MD signature indicates agreement with the plan and an order in good standing for the current school year.
- Please include the name of the medication, purpose, dose and time(s) or circumstances for use: _____
- This medication may be repeated as directed if symptoms persist 5 minutes after initial use? _____ Yes _____ No
- **This Student has been trained by a medical professional to independently use and to self-carry the Metered Dose Inhaler (MDI)?** _____ Yes _____ No

Physician Signature: _____ Date: _____

Note: Treatments, academic modifications or activity restrictions will require separate written orders from the student's physician.

Parent/ Guardian

- By signing below, I acknowledge that the school shall incur no liability and I indemnify and hold harmless the school and its employees against any claims relating to the possession or self-administration of the inhaler and my signature also indicates my permission to circulate this plan.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

For School Nurse Only

Nursing Assessment:

- _____ Stable History
- _____ Activity Intolerance
- _____ Anxiety/ Stress
- _____ Knowledge deficit re: condition
- _____ Compliant/ non-compliant Therapeutic Management Plan

Plan:

- _____ No ongoing nursing management at school indicated (stable independent student)
- _____ Standard procedure for student requiring assistance with asthma treatment plan
- _____ Standard procedure for unstable, dependent student requiring detailed Individualized Health Care Plan and
- _____ Emergency Action Plan

Circulation of plan: _____ Teacher _____ Teacher's Asst. _____ Transportation Others _____

Plan developed by _____ Date _____ Extension _____

Nurse's Signature: _____ Date: _____