Asthma Treatment Plan – Student

(This asthma action plan meets NJ Law N.J.S.A. 18A:40-12.8) **(Physician's Orders)**

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(Please Print)

Name	Date of Birth	Effective Date
Doctor	Parent/Guardian (if applicable)	Emergency Contact
Phone	Phone	Phone

HEALTHY (Green Zone)

Take daily control medicine(s). Some inhalers may be more effective with a "spacer" – use if directed.

You have ***all*** of these:
- Breathing is good
- No cough or wheeze
- Sleep through the night
- Can work, exercise, and play

And/or Peak flow above ________

MEDICINE	HOW MUCH to take and HOW OFTEN to take it
☐ Advair® HFA ☐ 45, ☐ 115, ☐ 230	2 puffs twice a day
☐ Aerospan™	☐ 1, ☐ 2 puffs twice a day
☐ Alvesco® ☐ 80, ☐ 160	☐ 1, ☐ 2 puffs twice a day
☐ Dulera® ☐ 100, ☐ 200	2 puffs twice a day
☐ Flovent® ☐ 44, ☐ 110, ☐ 220	2 puffs twice a day
☐ Qvar® ☐ 40, ☐ 80	☐ 1, ☐ 2 puffs twice a day
☐ Symbicort® ☐ 80, ☐ 160	☐ 1, ☐ 2 puffs twice a day
☐ Advair Diskus® ☐ 100, ☐ 250, ☐ 500	1 inhalation twice a day
☐ Asmanex® Twisthaler® ☐ 110, ☐ 220	☐ 1, ☐ 2 inhalations ☐ once or ☐ twice a day
☐ Flovent® Diskus® ☐ 50 ☐ 100 ☐ 250	1 inhalation twice a day
☐ Pulmicort Flexhaler® ☐ 90, ☐ 180	☐ 1, ☐ 2 inhalations ☐ once or ☐ twice a day
☐ Pulmicort Respules® (Budesonide) ☐ 0.25, ☐ 0.5, ☐ 1.0	1 unit nebulized ☐ once or ☐ twice a day
☐ Singulair® (Montelukast) ☐ 4, ☐ 5, ☐ 10 mg	1 tablet daily
☐ Other	
☐ None	

Remember to rinse your mouth after taking inhaled medicine.

If exercise triggers your asthma, take____________ ____ puff(s) ____minutes before exercise.

CAUTION (Yellow Zone)

Continue daily control medicine(s) and ADD quick-relief medicine(s).

You have ***any*** of these:
- Cough
- Mild wheeze
- Tight chest
- Coughing at night
- Other:________

If quick-relief medicine does not help within 15-20 minutes or has been used more than 2 times and symptoms persist, call your doctor or go to the emergency room.

And/or Peak flow from______ to______

MEDICINE	HOW MUCH to take and HOW OFTEN to take it
☐ Albuterol MDI (Pro-air® or Proventil® or Ventolin®)	2 puffs every 4 hours as needed
☐ Xopenex®	2 puffs every 4 hours as needed
☐ Albuterol ☐ 1.25, ☐ 2.5 mg	1 unit nebulized every 4 hours as needed
☐ Duoneb®	1 unit nebulized every 4 hours as needed
☐ Xopenex® (Levalbuterol) ☐ 0.31, ☐ 0.63, ☐ 1.25 mg	1 unit nebulized every 4 hours as needed
☐ Combivent Respimat®	1 inhalation 4 times a day
☐ Increase the dose of, or add:	
☐ Other	

- **If quick-relief medicine is needed more than 2 times a week, except before exercise, then call your doctor.**

EMERGENCY (Red Zone)

Take these medicines NOW and CALL 911.
Asthma can be a life-threatening illness. Do not wait!

Your asthma is getting worse fast:
- Quick-relief medicine did not help within 15-20 minutes
- Breathing is hard or fast
- Nose opens wide • Ribs show
- Trouble walking and talking
- Lips blue • Fingernails blue
- Other:________

And/or Peak flow below ________

MEDICINE	HOW MUCH to take and HOW OFTEN to take it
☐ Albuterol MDI (Pro-air® or Proventil® or Ventolin®)	4 puffs every 20 minutes
☐ Xopenex®	4 puffs every 20 minutes
☐ Albuterol ☐ 1.25, ☐ 2.5 mg	1 unit nebulized every 20 minutes
☐ Duoneb®	1 unit nebulized every 20 minutes
☐ Xopenex® (Levalbuterol) ☐ 0.31, ☐ 0.63, ☐ 1.25 mg	1 unit nebulized every 20 minutes
☐ Combivent Respimat®	1 inhalation 4 times a day
☐ Other	

Triggers

Check all items that trigger patient's asthma:

- ☐ Colds/flu
- ☐ Exercise
- ☐ Allergens
  - ○ Dust Mites, dust, stuffed animals, carpet
  - ○ Pollen - trees, grass, weeds
  - ○ Mold
  - ○ Pets - animal dander
  - ○ Pests - rodents, cockroaches
- ☐ Odors (Irritants)
  - ○ Cigarette smoke & second hand smoke
  - ○ Perfumes, cleaning products, scented products
  - ○ Smoke from burning wood, inside or outside
- ☐ Weather
  - ○ Sudden temperature change
  - ○ Extreme weather - hot and cold
  - ○ Ozone alert days
- ☐ Foods:
  - ○ ________
  - ○ ________
  - ○ ________
- ☐ Other:
  - ○ ________
  - ○ ________
  - ○ ________

This asthma treatment plan is meant to assist, not replace, the clinical decision-making required to meet individual patient needs.

Permission to Self-administer Medication:

☐ This student is capable and has been instructed in the proper method of self-administering of the non-nebulized inhaled medications named above in accordance with NJ Law.

☐ This student is not approved to self-medicate.

PHYSICIAN/APN/PA SIGNATURE________________ DATE________

Physician's Orders

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE________________

PHYSICIAN STAMP

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Make a copy for parent and for physician file, send original to school nurse or child care provider.

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Parent Instructions

The **PACNJ Asthma Treatment Plan** is designed to help everyone understand the steps necessary for the individual student to achieve the goal of controlled asthma.

1. **Parents/Guardians:** *Before taking this form to your Health Care Provider,* complete the top left section with:
   - Child's name
   - Child's date of birth
   - Child's doctor's name & phone number
   - An Emergency Contact person's name & phone number
   - Parent/Guardian's name & phone number

2. **Your Health Care Provider will** complete the following areas:
   - The effective date of this plan
   - The medicine information for the Healthy, Caution and Emergency sections
   - Your Health Care Provider will check the box next to the medication and check how much and how often to take it
   - Your Health Care Provider may check **"OTHER" and:**
     - ❖ **Write in asthma medications not listed on the form**
     - ❖ **Write in additional medications that will control your asthma**
     - ❖ **Write in generic medications in place of the name brand on the form**
   - Together you and your Health Care Provider will decide what asthma treatment is best for your child to follow

3. **Parents/Guardians & Health Care Providers together** will discuss and then complete the following areas:
   - Child's peak flow range in the Healthy, Caution and Emergency sections on the left side of the form
   - Child's asthma triggers on the right side of the form
   - Permission to Self-administer Medication section at the bottom of the form: Discuss your child's ability to self-administer the inhaled medications, check the appropriate box, and then both you and your Health Care Provider must sign and date the form

4. **Parents/Guardians:** *After completing the form with your Health Care Provider:*
   - Make copies of the Asthma Treatment Plan and give the signed original to your child's school nurse or child care provider
   - Keep a copy easily available at home to help manage your child's asthma
   - Give copies of the Asthma Treatment Plan to everyone who provides care for your child, for example: babysitters, before/after school program staff, coaches, scout leaders

PARENT AUTHORIZATION

I hereby give permission for my child to receive medication at school as prescribed in the Asthma Treatment Plan. Medication must be provided in its original prescription container properly labeled by a pharmacist or physician. I also give permission for the release and exchange of information between the school nurse and my child's health care provider concerning my child's health and medications. In addition, I understand that this information will be shared with school staff on a need to know basis.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Phone _____ Date _____

FILL OUT THE SECTION BELOW ONLY IF YOUR HEALTH CARE PROVIDER CHECKED PERMISSION FOR YOUR CHILD TO SELF-ADMINISTER ASTHMA MEDICATION ON THE FRONT OF THIS FORM.

RECOMMENDATIONS ARE EFFECTIVE FOR ONE (1) SCHOOL YEAR ONLY AND MUST BE RENEWED ANNUALLY

☐ I do request that my child be **ALLOWED** to carry the following medication _____ for self-administration in school pursuant to N.J.A.C:.6A:16-2.3. I give permission for my child to self-administer medication, as prescribed in this Asthma Treatment Plan for the current school year as I consider him/her to be responsible and capable of transporting, storing and self-administration of the medication. Medication must be kept in its original prescription container. I understand that the school district, agents and its employees shall incur no liability as a result of any condition or injury arising from the self-administration by the student of the medication prescribed on this form. I indemnify and hold harmless the School District, its agents and employees against any claims arising out of self-administration or lack of administration of this medication by the student.

☐ I **DO NOT** request that my child self-administer his/her asthma medication.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Phone _____ Date _____

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