

Wheeze Pathway for Nurse Led Inhalers

Patient details

Full name

DOB

Unit number

(use sticker if available)

Child presenting to CED with audible wheeze (or history of wheeze) and/or difficulty breathing

No → Not suitable

Yes

Greater than 1 year old

No → Not suitable

Yes

Child has NO features of severe respiratory distress or other diagnosis from **Box 1**

No → Not suitable

Yes

Known to have viral wheeze previously or previous diagnosis of asthma

No → Not suitable

Yes

- Appropriate for inhalers:**
- Give 10 puffs of salbutamol by PGD
 - Make child priority p3
 - Add and complete inhaler task
 - Advise parents to monitor effect to report to clinician who sees patient
 - Put child back in waiting area

- Box 1**
- Saturations below 92%
 - Grunting
 - Severe recession
 - Stridor
 - Barking cough
 - Possible foreign body
 - Anaphylaxis