Asthma ACTION PLAN





You already do your best to control your asthma to avoid attacks. And, you take your medication and keep away from asthma attack triggers. But when you cannot control your environment, or an asthma attack comes on unexpectedly, what can you do? Learn about the 3 asthma zones, plus helpful tips on what to do during an attack.

WHAT IS AN ASTHMA ATTACK?

An asthma attack is when the airways in your lungs swell and narrow. This makes it hard to breathe. Minor asthma attacks can be stopped by using a Quick Relief Inhaler. A severe asthma attack can become a life-threatening emergency.

GREEN ZONE - GOOD TO GO

- Breathing is good
- Can work and play
- No cough or wheeze
- Sleep well at night
- Peak flow is 80-100% of your 'personal best'

Continue taking your controller medicines as prescribed to keep asthma in good control.

YELLOW ZONE - BE AWARE

- Some problems breathing
- Cough, wheezing, tight chest
- · Problems working and playing
- · Wake at night
- Peak flow is 50-80% of your 'personal best'

IF your symptoms (and peak flow, if used) return to Green Zone after one hour of the quick-relief treatment, THEN:

- Take a guick relief medication every 4 hours for 1 to 2 days.
- Take your long-term control medicine regularly.
- Contact your physician for follow-up care.

IF your symptoms (and peak flow, if used) DO NOT return to Green Zone after one hour of the auick-relief treatment, THEN:

- Call your physician/health care provider right away.
- Look out for symptoms in the red zone.

RED ZONE - STOP & TAKE ACTION

- Lots of problems breathing
- · Cannot work or play
- Getting worse instead of better
- Medicine is not helping
- Peak flow is less than 50% of your 'personal best'

Go to the hospital or call for an ambulance if:

- Still in the red zone after 15 minutes.
- You have not been able to reach your physician/ health care provider for help.

Call 911 immediately if the following danger signs are present:

- Trouble walking/talking due to shortness of breath.
- · Lips or fingernails are blue.

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

In the case of an emergency, have a list of friends and family who can help you. Keep the list in a place where others can easily find it.

Name	Relationship	Cell Ph.	Work Ph.	Home Ph.	Fill in the blanks provided below with emergency contact information.	
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