Kidz First: Childhood Asthma Management Guide

If your patient has life threatening asthma please refer to the <u>Management of Life</u> Threatening Asthma Guideline

Otherwise please refer to the Starship Guideline for <u>Asthma, Management of Acute.</u>

The following are local variations in the management of children with Asthma who present to KidzFirst Emergency care.

General Guidelines for Treatment

- Prednisolone dose 2mg/kg/day maximum dose 60mg
- Use KidzFirst Asthma Management of Life threatening Asthma guideline

Guidelines for Follow-up

- As per SSH guideline, except as follows
- Paediatric Medical Follow-up in Outpatients is generally reserved for children with life-threatening or very difficult to manage asthma, or children with co-morbidities. Referral should be discussed with a Consultant Paediatrician.
- The KidzFirst Paediatric Homecare Nurses are trained to provide asthma education. Complete a standard Homecare referral form and specify that Asthma education is required.

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