

Asthma - High quality e-learning courses from PrescQIPP



This CPD certified e-learning course is designed for GPs, nurse prescribers, PCN and practice pharmacists and pharmacy technicians, medicines optimisation teams and community pharmacists.

Course content

- This e-learning course has nine modules, two case studies and a final exam with a 70% pass mark
- Once the course is passed a certificate of completion will be issued

MODULE 1

Overview

- The impact of asthma on population health and on NHS resources
- Asthma diagnosis and the differences between asthma and COPD

MODULE 2

Triggers, co-morbidities, lifestyle and self-management

- How to assess baseline asthma status and understand some of the triggers for asthma
- Co-morbidities associated with asthma and signposting people with asthma to helpful resources and support

MODULE 3

Medicines used in the treatment of asthma

- Different types of medicines used in the treatment of asthma and their mechanism of action and the rationale for their use

MODULE 4

Inhaler devices

- Different types of inhalers and spacers, and their environmental considerations
- Principles to follow when prescribing or reviewing inhalers and sources of information to help your practice and support your patients

MODULE 5

NICE treatment pathways

- Applying the NICE treatment pathways to provide optimum care for patients and when and how to use each medicine in the management of asthma

MODULE 6

Guidelines and reports

- The key differences between the NICE and BTS/SIGN guidelines
- Other asthma guidelines and the recommendations of the NRAD report

MODULE 7

Steroids

- The role and potential adverse effects of oral corticosteroids in asthma
- The two NHS steroid cards and resources that can help with the implementation of the Steroid Emergency Card

MODULE 8

Review and follow-up

- The importance of asthma control monitoring
- Planning when to follow-up and review each asthma patient
- Necessary factors and symptoms that need checking during asthma review

MODULE 9

COVID-19 pandemic

- Guidance on COVID-19 for people with asthma
- Addressing the concerns of people with asthma
- Evidence relating to the use of asthma medicines and equipment during the COVID-19 pandemic

Course access

This course is available for members of our medicines optimisation team and GP practice staff in our commissioning area.

How to access the course

- If you do not already have an account, register on the [PrescQIPP e-learning platform](#). Please select the correct commissioning organisation when registering as this will ensure you're provided with the correct access and don't have to pay for the course
- **You will need an access code before you can access the course. Please email iscicb-el.adminmmt@nhs.net and on approval we will send you the required code.**
- When you have received the code proceed to Log into the [PrescQIPP e-learning platform](#)

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