

Policy on Emergency Inhalers

In line with guidance from the Department of Health, schools within the Laurus Trust will keep emergency salbutamol inhalers and spacers for use by students who have

- Been diagnosed with asthma and prescribed a reliever inhaler OR

- Been prescribed a reliever inhaler AND

- For whom written parental consent for use of an emergency inhaler has been obtained

The emergency inhalers are to be used if a student's prescribed inhaler is not available, broken or empty. They are not intended to be used as a replacement for a student's own medication and students must ensure they have their own medication with them in school.

Emergency kits will be kept in various locations around the school. Each emergency kit will contain:

- Salbutamol inhaler
- At least two single use spacers
- Instructions on how to use inhaler/spacer
- Cleaning instructions for inhaler
- Manufacturers information
- Record of administration

In addition to this a list will be kept in the First Aid room of half termly checks carried out on the emergency kits, expiry dates of inhalers etc.