

Crisis Asmática en la Urgencia Pediátrica

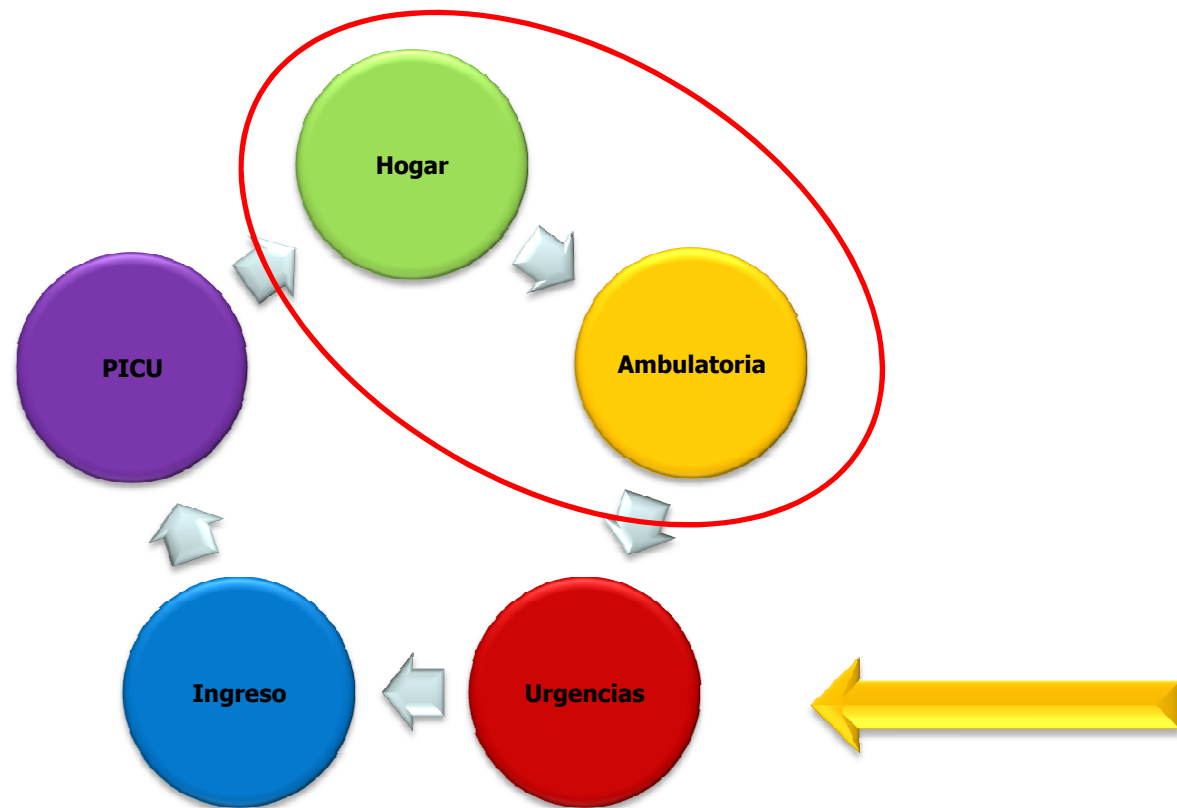


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Un Domingo Cualquiera...

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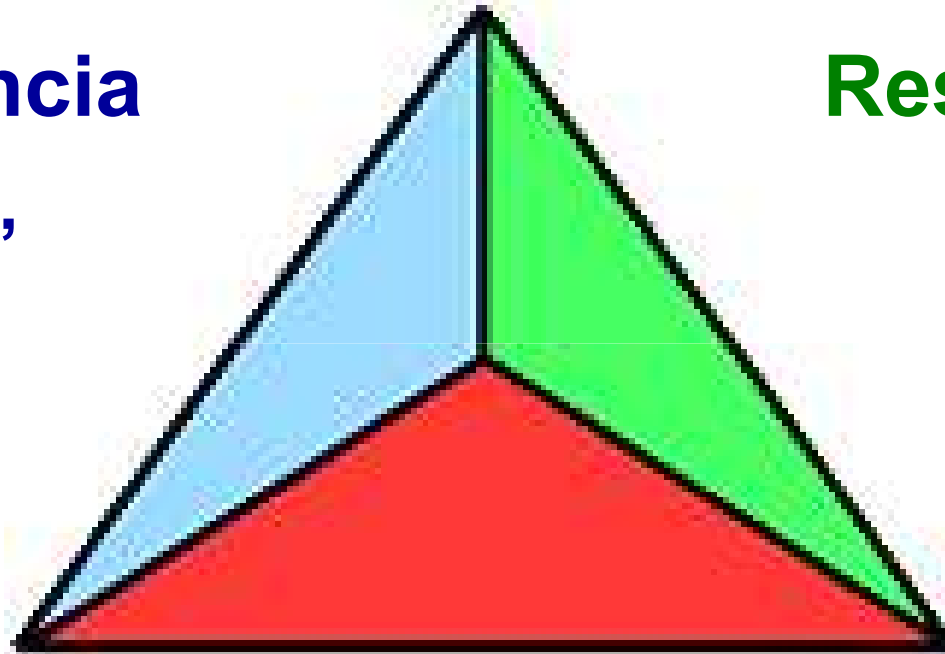
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Apariencia

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Respiración

“dificultad
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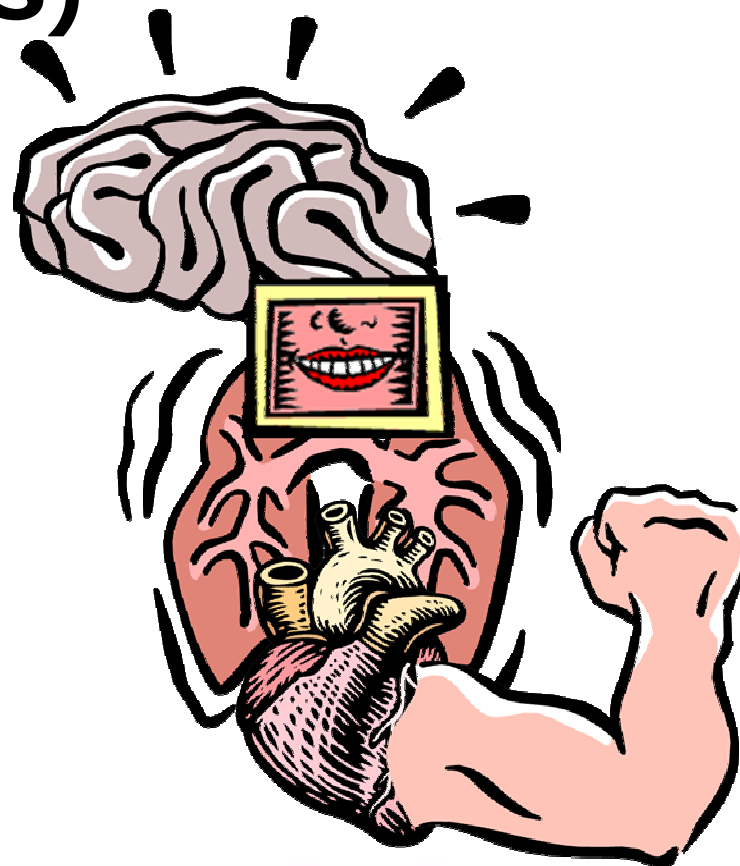
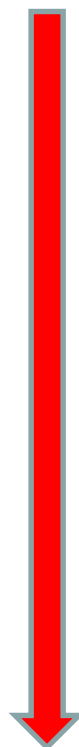


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- Nivel de Conciencia
- Vías Aéreas
- Respiración
- Circulación:
 - Frecuencia Cardíaca
 - Pulsos
 - ✓ Centrales
 - ✓ Periféricos
 - Color
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Escalas Clínicas



Severity Assessment		
Mild	Moderate	Severe
Talks in sentences	Talks in phrases	Talks in single words
Normal mental status	Mildly anxious	Anxious
Mild tachypnea	Moderate tachypnea	Severe tachypnea
No or minimal ↑ WOB	Moderate ↑ WOB	Severe ↑ WOB
Good aeration	Fair aeration	Poor aeration
End expiratory wheeze	Loud expiratory wheeze	Inspiratory and expiratory wheezing ("tight")
Pulse-Ox > 95%	Pulse-Ox = 90%-95%	Pulse-Ox < 90%
PEFR ≥ 70%	PEFR = 40%-69%	PEFR < 40%

EPR-3 Guidelines on Asthma. NAEPP, NHLBI 2007


Formal Evaluation of Asthma Exacerbation Severity in ED or Urgent Care Setting														
	Mild	Moderate	Severe	Subset: Respiratory Arrest Imminent										
Symptoms														
Breathlessness	While walking Can lie down	While at rest (infant: softer, shorter cry, difficulty feeding) Prefers sitting	While at rest (infant: stops feeding) Sits upright	While at rest										
Talks in	Sentences	Phrases	Words	Cannot talk										
Alertness	Normal or may be agitated	Usually agitated	Usually agitated	Drowsy or confused										
Signs														
Respiratory rate	Normal or increased	Increased	Increased, often >30/minute	Normal or decreased										
Guide to rates of breathing in awake children: <table><tr><td>Age</td><td>Normal Rate</td></tr><tr><td>< 2 months</td><td>< 60/minute</td></tr><tr><td>2 to 12 months</td><td>< 50/minute</td></tr><tr><td>1 to 5 years</td><td>< 40/minute</td></tr><tr><td>6 to 8 years</td><td>< 30/minute</td></tr></table>					Age	Normal Rate	< 2 months	< 60/minute	2 to 12 months	< 50/minute	1 to 5 years	< 40/minute	6 to 8 years	< 30/minute
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Use of accessory muscles: suprasternal retractions, nasal flaring, abdominal breathing	Usually not	Commonly	Usually	Paradoxical thoracoabdominal movement										
Wheeze	Moderate, often only end expiratory	Loud, throughout exhalation	Loud, throughout inspiration and exhalation or may be absent	Minimal or absent										
Pulse/minute (at initial presentation)	< 100	100 to 120	> 120	Bradycardia										
Pulsus paradoxus	Absent <10 mmHg	May be present 10 to 25 mmHg	Often present > 25 mmHg (adult) 20 to 40 mmHg (child)	Absence suggests respiratory muscle fatigue										
Functional Assessment														
PEF (peak expiratory flow)	≥ 70%	Approx. 40 to 69% or Response to treatment lasts < 2 hours	< 40%	< 25% Note: PEF testing may not be needed in very severe attacks										
Percent predicted or percent personal best														
PuO ₂ (arterial oxygen pressure, on room air) and/or	Normal (test not usually necessary)	≥ 60 mmHg (test not usually necessary)	< 60 mmHg: possible cyanosis											
PCO ₂ (partial pressure of carbon dioxide)	< 42 mmHg (test not usually necessary)	< 42 mmHg (test not usually necessary)	≥ 42 mmHg: possible respiratory failure											
SpO ₂ (oxygen saturation) (on room air) at sea level	> 95%	90 to 95%	< 90%											
Hypercapnia (hypoventilation) develops more easily in young children than in adolescents and adults.														
<ul style="list-style-type: none">The presence of several parameters, but not necessarily all, indicates the general classification of the exacerbationMany of these parameters have not been systematically studied, especially as they correlate with each other and thus serve only as general guides														

Adapted from the National Heart Blood and Lung Institute, National Education and Demonstration Program Expert Panel Report 3: Diagnosis and Management of Asthma, 2007 (Local Consensus [5], NAEPP 2007 [3a]).

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Parámetro Score clínico Sat O₂ PEF



Leve

0-3

> 94 %

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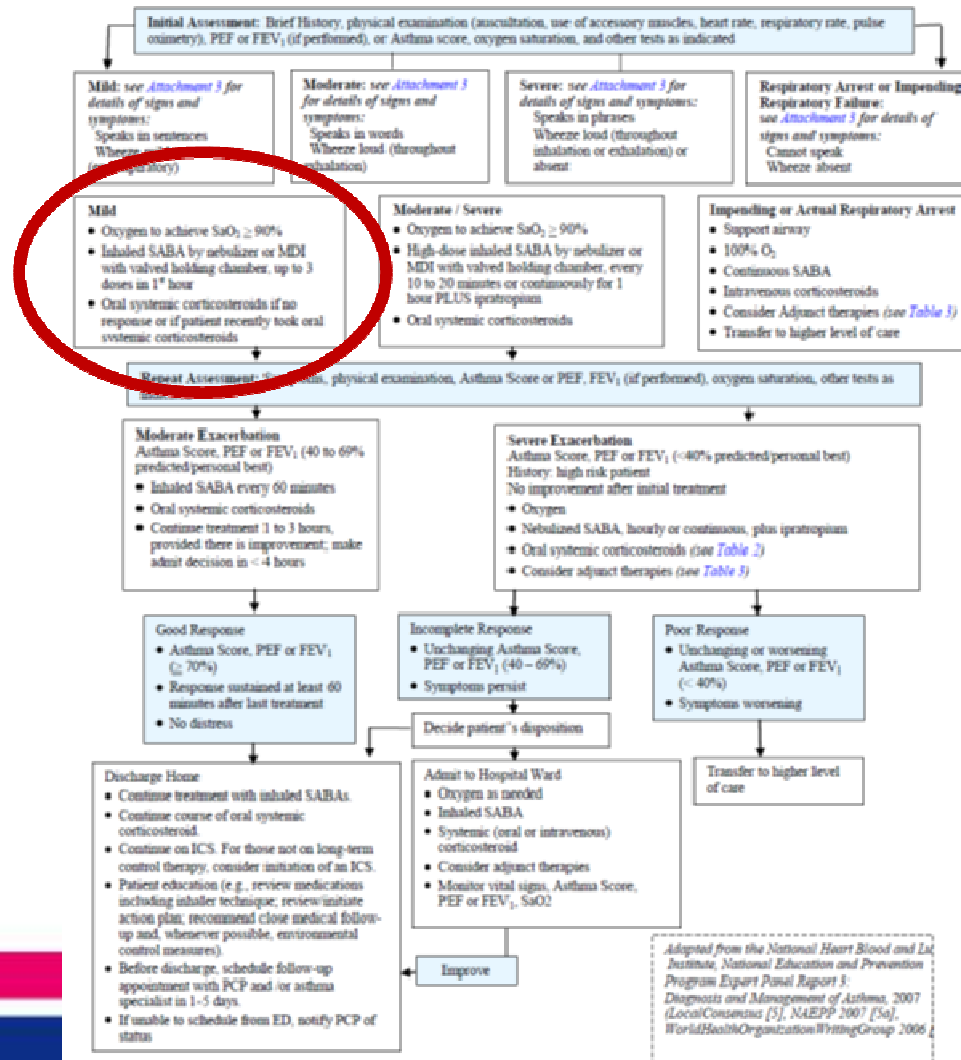
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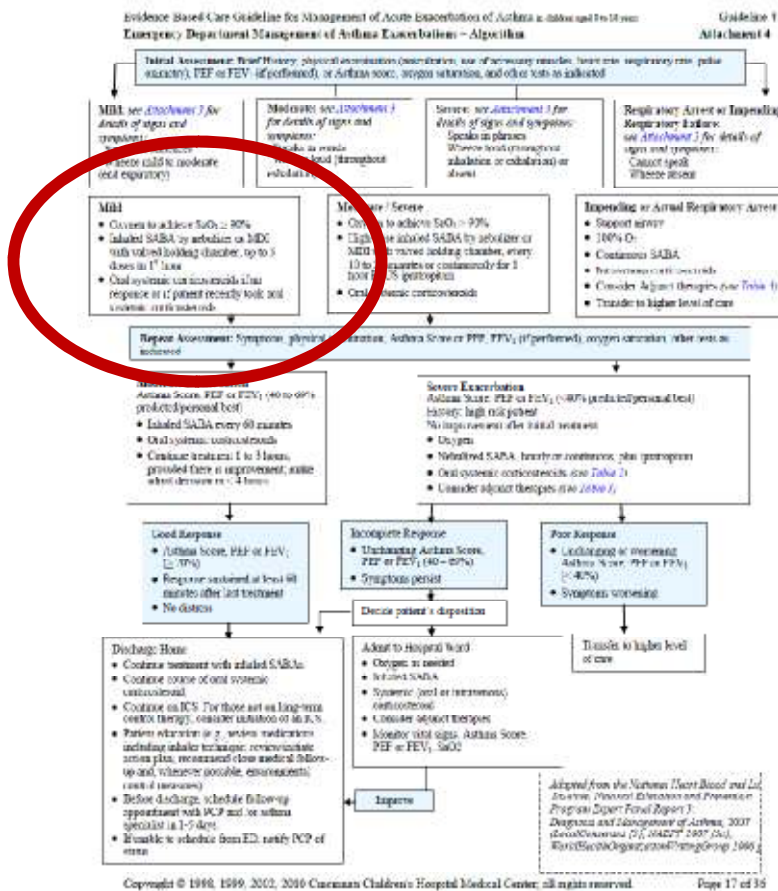
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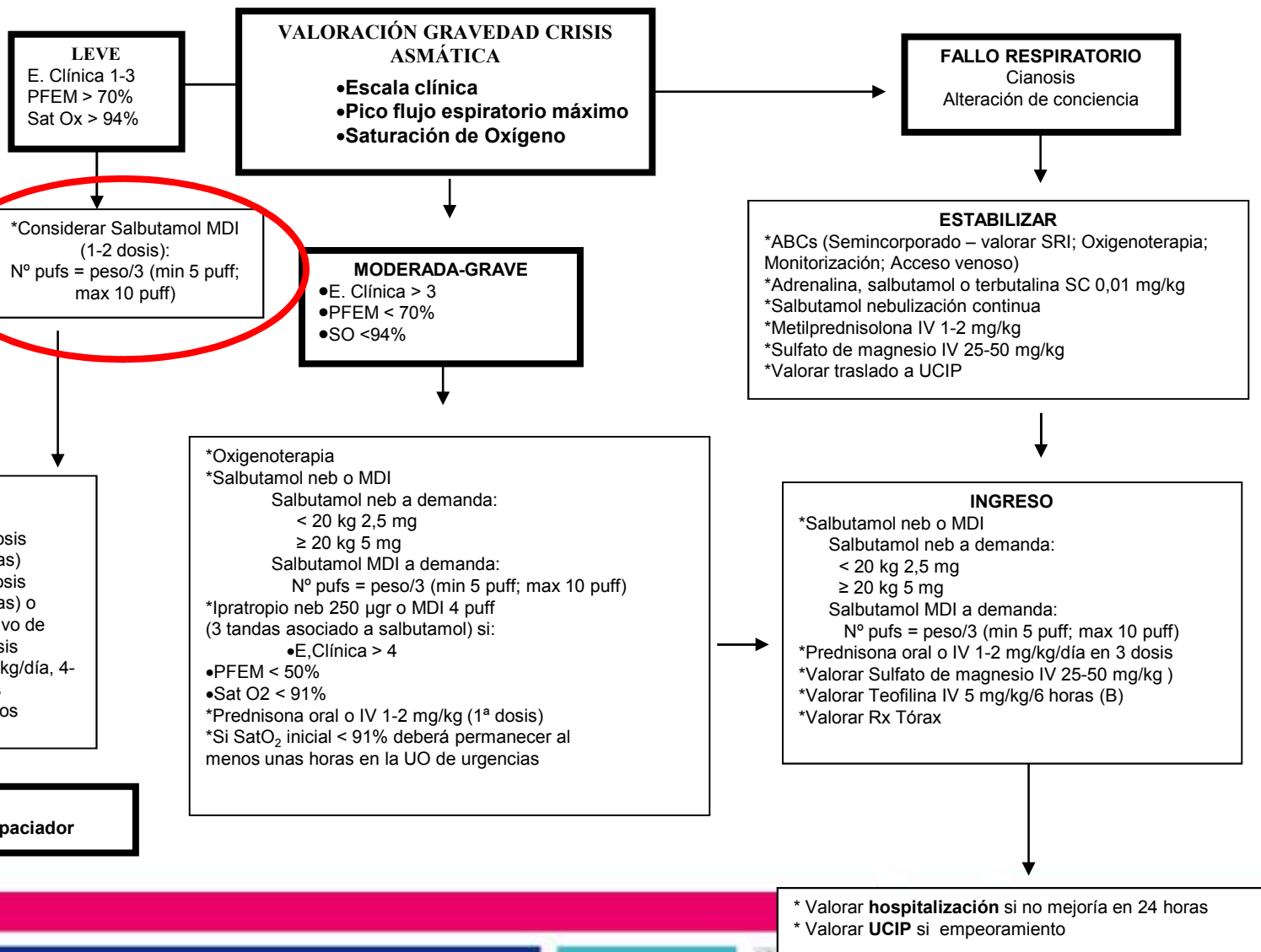
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- Considerar Prednisolona 1 mg/kg por 5 días
- Observación
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 - Considerar Terapia Control
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Nebulización vs MDI-S

- Ventajas Nebulizador
 - Oxígeno húmedo
 - No se necesita coordinación
 - Dosis mejor establecida



- Ventajas MDI-S
 - Más eficiente
 - Portable
 - Tiempo menor de administración
 - Costo menor de personal
 - Menos contaminación



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The Cochrane Library

- Revisión Cochrane
 - 25 Estudios con 2295 pacientes (3 a 18 años)
 - Tratados con MDI-S menos tiempo en Urgencias
 - Sin diferencias en el numero de ingresos
 - Resultados similares
- Reducción de Costo con MDI- S

Cates CJ. Cochrane Database 2009

Doan Q, Pediatrics 2011

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MDI- S .. ¿Qué Cantidad?

- NHLBI 2007 4 – 8 (cada 20 minutos)
- Children's Mercy Hospital < 5 años 4 > 5 años 8
- Royal Children's Hospital Australia < 6 años 6 > 6 años 12

En Nuestro Centro...

Peso (Kg)	Nebulización	MDI-S
< 10	2.5 mg (0.5 ml)	4
10 - 20	3.75 mg (0.75 ml)	6
> 20	5 mg (1 ml)	8

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En Nuestro Centro...

Evidence-Based Care Guideline for Management of Acute Exacerbation of Asthma in children aged 0 to 18 years

Guideline 4

Table 1: Aerosolized Therapies - Drugs and Dosage Recommendations

Aerosolized Therapies			
Medication (formulation)	Child Dose*	Adolescent Dose	Notes
Inhaled Short-Acting Beta₂-Agonists (SABA)			
Albuterol Nebulizer solution (2.5 mg/3mL, 5 mg/mL)	2.5 to 5 mg every 20 minutes for 3 doses, then 2.5 to 5 mg every 1 to 4 hours as needed 0.5 mg/kg/hour by continuous nebulization < 30 kg: 2.5 mg ≥ 30 kg: 5 mg	2.5 to 5 mg every 20 minutes for 3 doses, then 2.5 to 10 mg every 1 to 4 hours as needed, or 10 to 15 mg/hour continuously	For optimal delivery, dilute aerosols to minimum of 3 mL at gas flow of 6 to 8 L/min. Use large volume nebulizers for continuous administration. May mix with ipratropium nebulizer solution.
MDI (90 mcg/puff)	6 puffs (range: 4 to 8 puffs) every 20 minutes for 3 doses, then every 1 to 4 hours as needed	6 puffs (range: 4 to 8 puffs) every 20 minutes up to 4 hours, then every 1 to 4 hours as needed	In mild to moderate exacerbations, MDI plus VHC (see recommendation 7) is as effective as nebulized therapy with appropriate administration technique. Add mask in children unable to manage an MDI device.
Levalbuterol (R-albuterol) Nebulizer solution (0.31mg/3 mL, 0.63 mg/3 mL, 1.25 mg/0.5mL, 1.25 mg/3 mL)	0.075 mg/kg (minimum dose 1.25 mg) every 20 minutes for 3 doses, then 0.075 to 0.15 mg/kg (not to exceed 2.5 mg) every 1 to 4 hours as needed	1.25 to 2.5 mg every 20 minutes for 3 doses, then 1.25 to 5 mg every 1 to 4 hours as needed	See Recommendation 6 of this guideline regarding levalbuterol.
MDI (45 mcg/puff)	See albuterol MDI dose above.	See albuterol MDI dose Above.	

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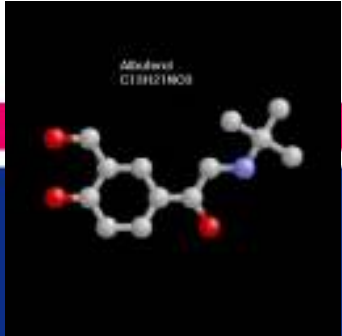


Albuterol vs. Levalbuterol (Xoponex)

Ralston 2005	Qureshi 2005	Hardasmalani 205
N = 140	N= 129	N = 70
Leve a Moderado	Moderado a Severo	Leve a Moderado
Tiempo en Urgencias	Escala de Severidad	Frecuencia Respiratoria + PEF
Ingreso base de 1.4%	Ingreso base de 13%	Ingreso base de 6%
Sin Diferencia	Sin Diferencia	Sin Diferencia



“2.5 mg de Albuterol equivale a 1.25 mg de Levalbuterol con efectos secundarios similares – Sin diferencia en Hospitalización y efectos adversos”

Wilkinson M – J Asthma 2011



Albuterol
C13H21NO8

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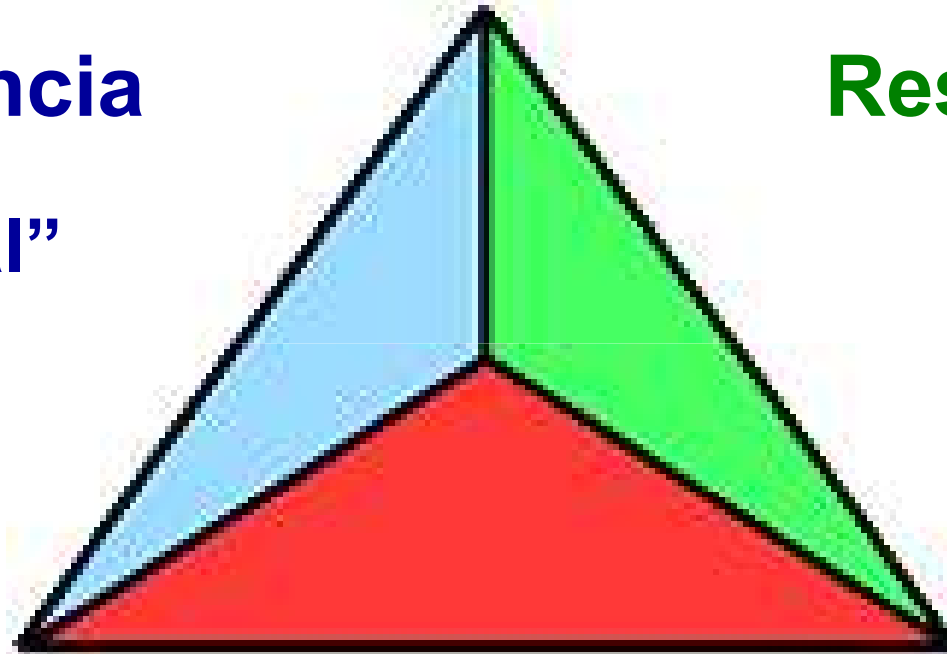
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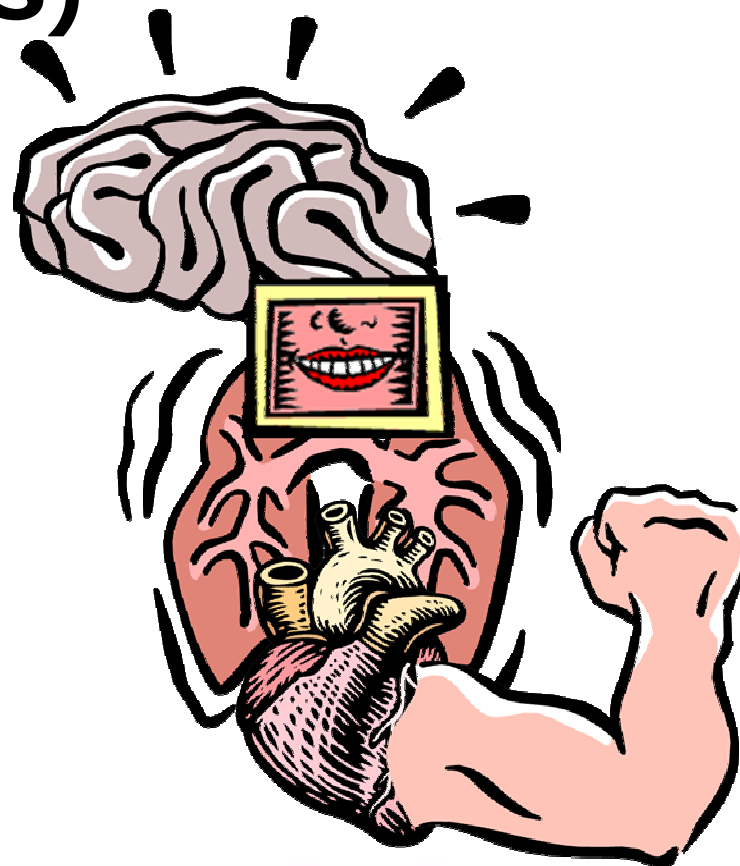
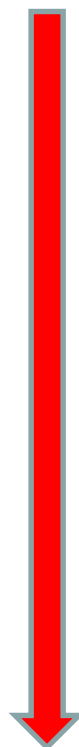


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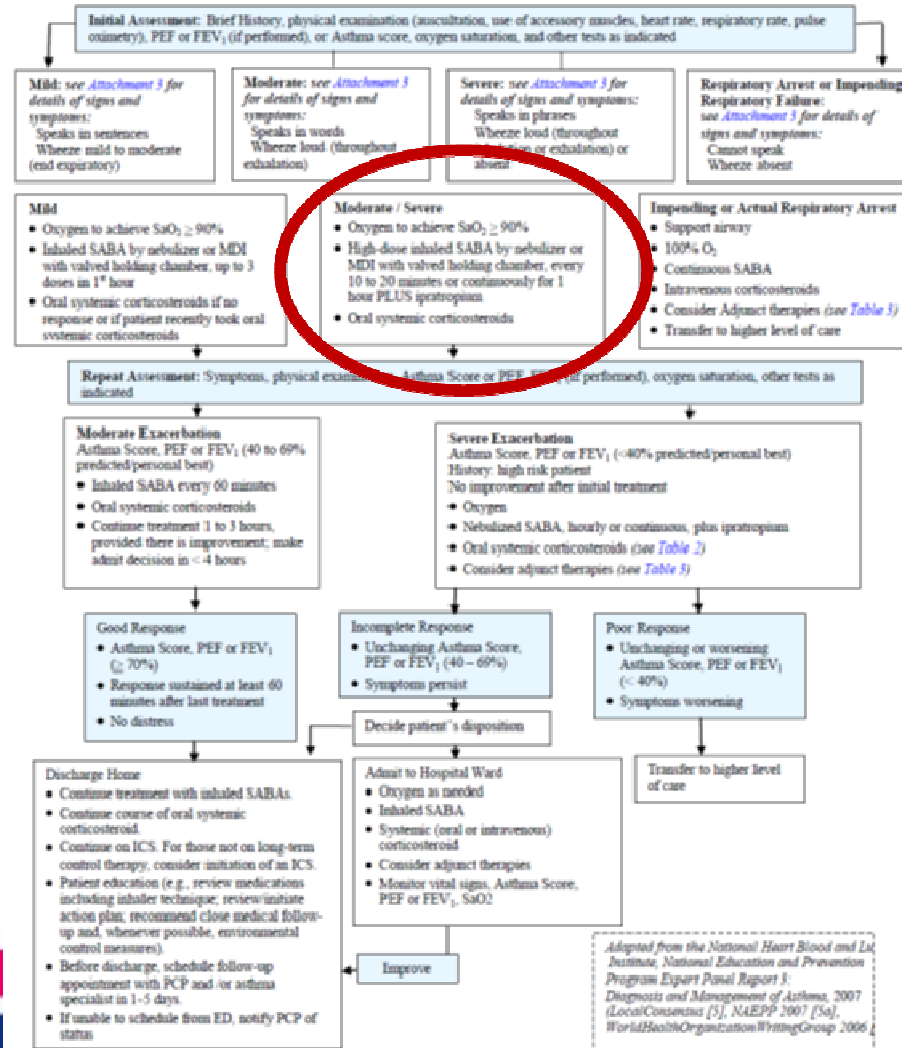


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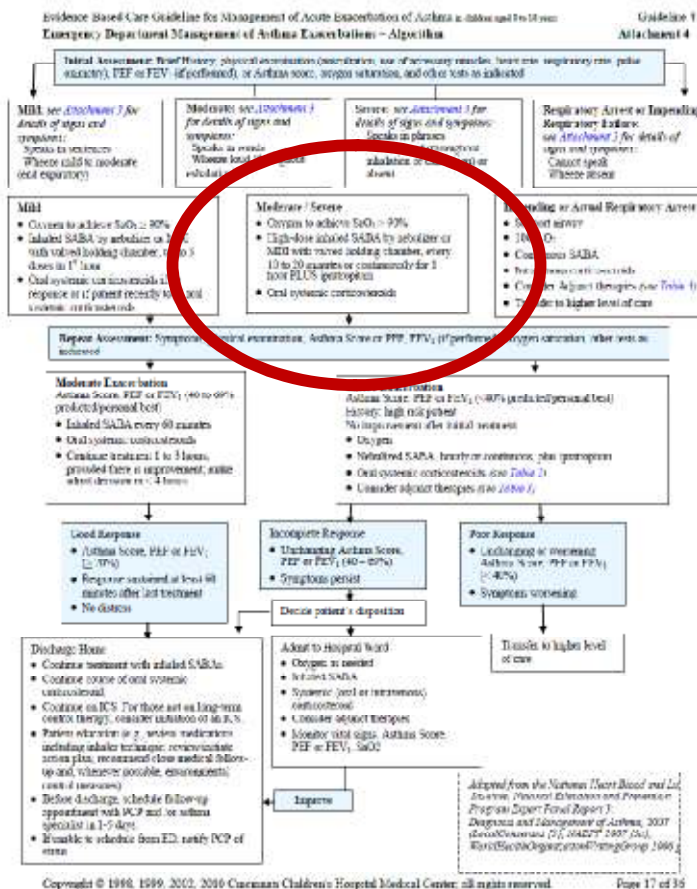
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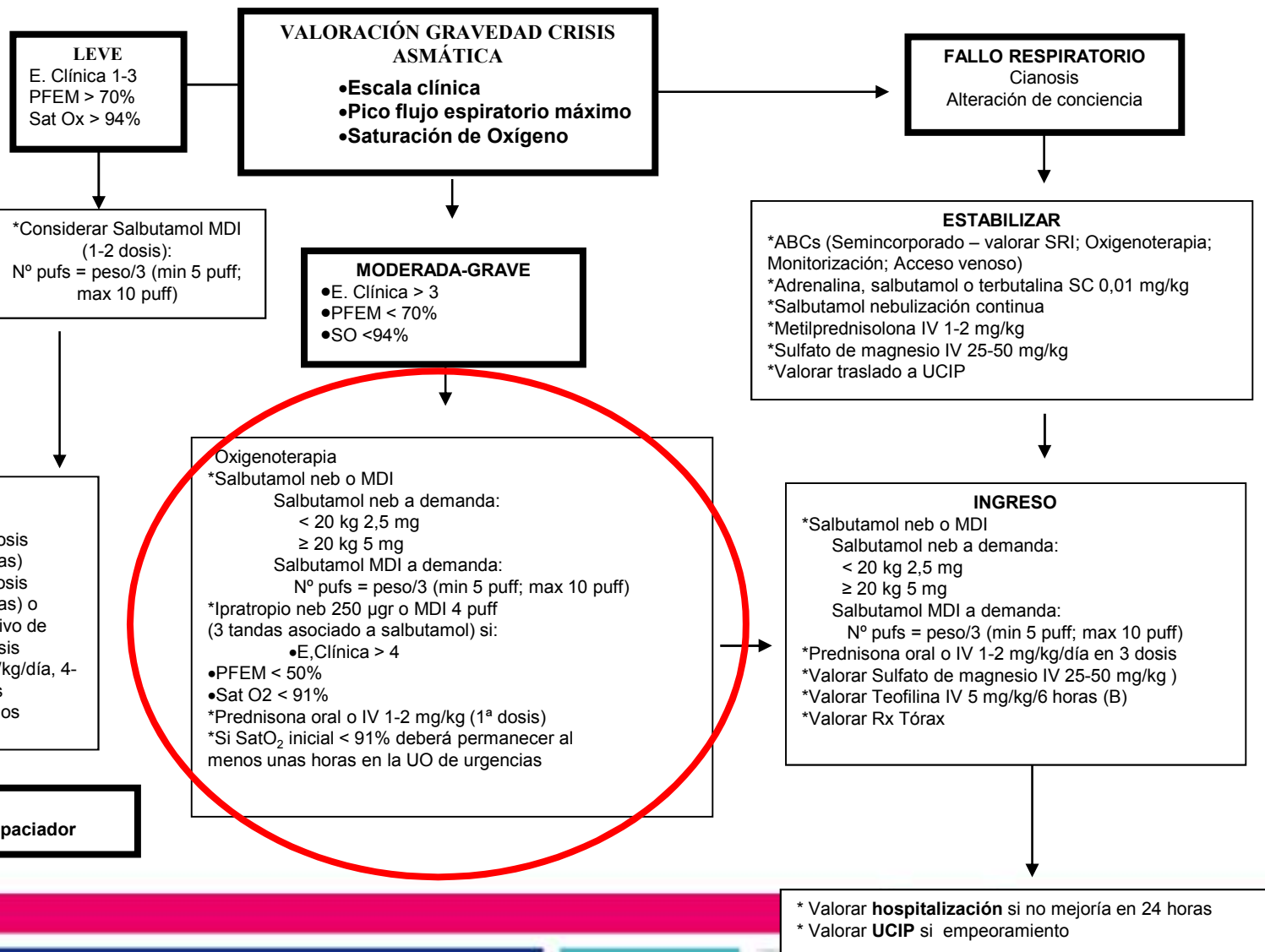
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Crisis Asmática Moderada

- Ipratropium
- Corticoides
 - Oral
 - IM
 - Inhalados



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Expertos en Paraguay!!...

J Asthma. 2011 Apr;48(3):298-303. doi: 10.3109/02770903.2011.555037. Epub 2011 Feb 21.

Inhaled salbutamol plus ipratropium in moderate and severe asthma crises in children.

Iramain R¹, López-Herce J, Coronel J, Spitters C, Guggiari J, Bogado N.

⊕ Author information

Abstract

BACKGROUND: The combination of inhaled $\beta(2)$ agonists and anticholinergics is recommended for children with acute asthma, although there are few randomized controlled trials. The aim of the study was to determine whether salbutamol plus ipratropium bromide improves oxygenation and lung function and reduces the frequency of hospitalization in children with asthma crises.

METHODS: A prospective, randomized, double-blind study of children aged 2-18 years with moderate to severe asthma crises. Patients were evaluated using the asthma score and spirometry. They received six nebulizations of salbutamol plus placebo or salbutamol plus ipratropium and were reevaluated at 30, 60, 90, 120, and 240 minutes, at which time it was decided whether they were to be admitted.

RESULTS: A total of 97 patients completed the study, 49 in the salbutamol plus ipratropium group and 48 in the salbutamol-only group. There were no differences in the status at baseline between the two groups. Children treated with salbutamol plus ipratropium presented a greater improvement in clinical state and lung function and required hospitalization less frequently (18.4%) than children in the salbutamol group (43.8%) ($p = .007$). Improvement was more marked in children with severe asthma crises than in those with moderate crises. The effect of salbutamol plus ipratropium was similar in children over 8 years of age and in younger children.

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Ipratropium Bromide (Atrovent) Recomendaciones

- Use en crisis moderadas y severas
- 500 mcg con nebulizaciones iniciales de Beta Agonistas (< 10 Kg: 250 mcg)
- Por lo general en tratamiento de Urgencias



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Corticoides Sistémicos

- Oral = EV o IM.
- Prednisona 1-2 mg/kg día (max 60 mg) durante 5 días.
- No es necesaria la reducción paulatina si < 7 días.
- Reducción de recaídas en los 21 días posteriores.
- Utilidad en preescolares con crisis secundaria a infección viral en duda



Intravenous Versus Oral Corticosteroids in the Management of Acute Asthma in Peter LJ, MBBS, MSc*, Grace L Caputo x Grace L Caputo,, MD, MPH*, Marc Baskin, MD*‡, Nathan Kuppermann, MD, MPH*

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High-Dose Inhaled Fluticasone Does Not Replace Oral Prednisolone in Children With Mild to Moderate Acute Asthma

Suzanne Schuh, Paul T. Dick, Derek Stephens, Marlene Hartley, Svetlana Khaikin, Lisa Rodrigues and Allan L. Coates

Pediatrics 2006;118:644-650

- 69 niños (5 – 17 años) crisis asma leve – mod (FEV1, 50 – 75%)
- Dos grupos:

Reconsultas 48 h:
Fluticasona: 12.5%
Prednisona: 0%

240 min, mean \pm SD ($n = 60$)	82.1 \pm 18.6	91.3 \pm 15.4	
Estimated mean difference (95% CI)			10.6 (4.0 to 17.2)
p^a			0.001
48 h, mean \pm SD ($n = 66$)	87.6 \pm 13.7	90.3 \pm 14.4	
Estimated mean difference (95% CI)			4.0 (–2.8 to 10.8)
p^a			0.14
Day 6 ($n = 67$)	96.6 \pm 18.1	98.4 \pm 14.2	
Mean difference, \pm SD (95% CI)			3.4 \pm 19.1 (–12.8 to 5.9)
p^a			0.467

^a P values refer to significance with respect to relevant differences.

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Dex

ral

4 estudios más, 2 de ellos
publicados en 2012:

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- P
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- S
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“1 o 2 dosis de Dexametasona
equivalente a
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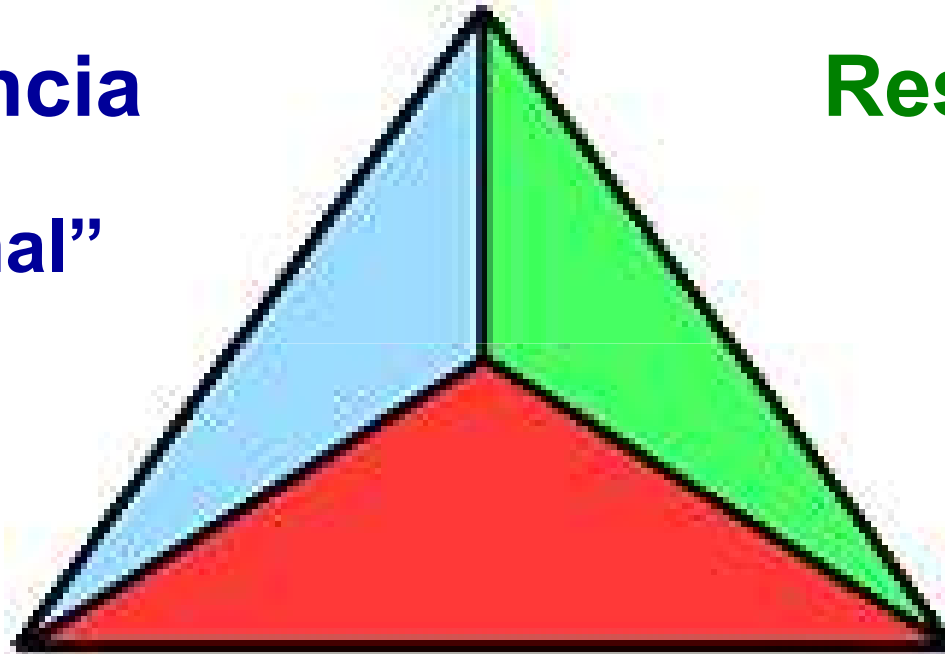
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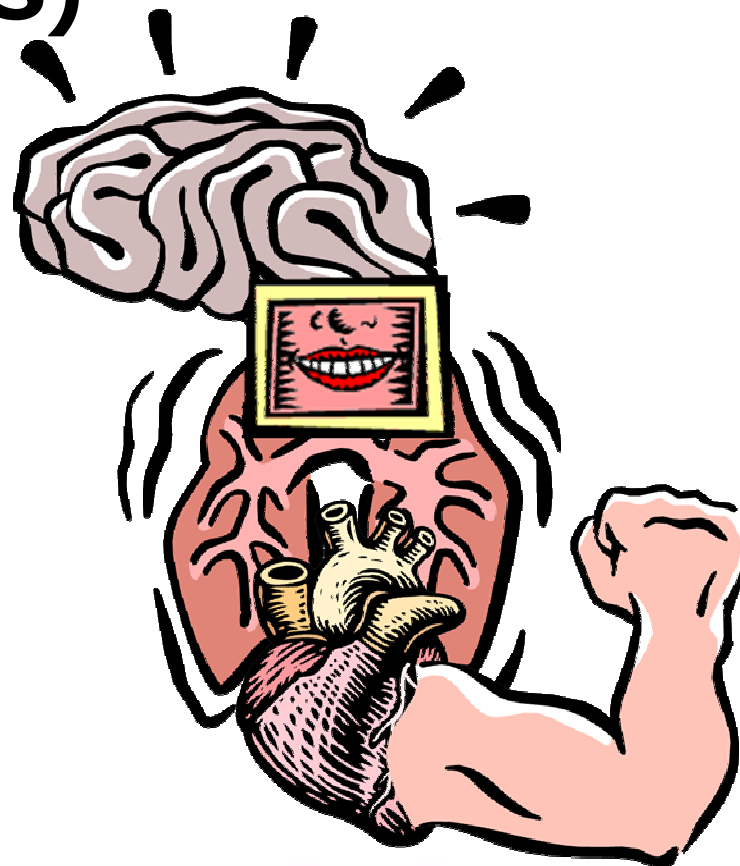
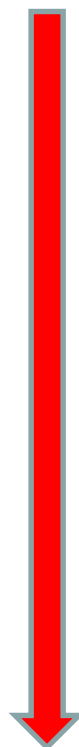
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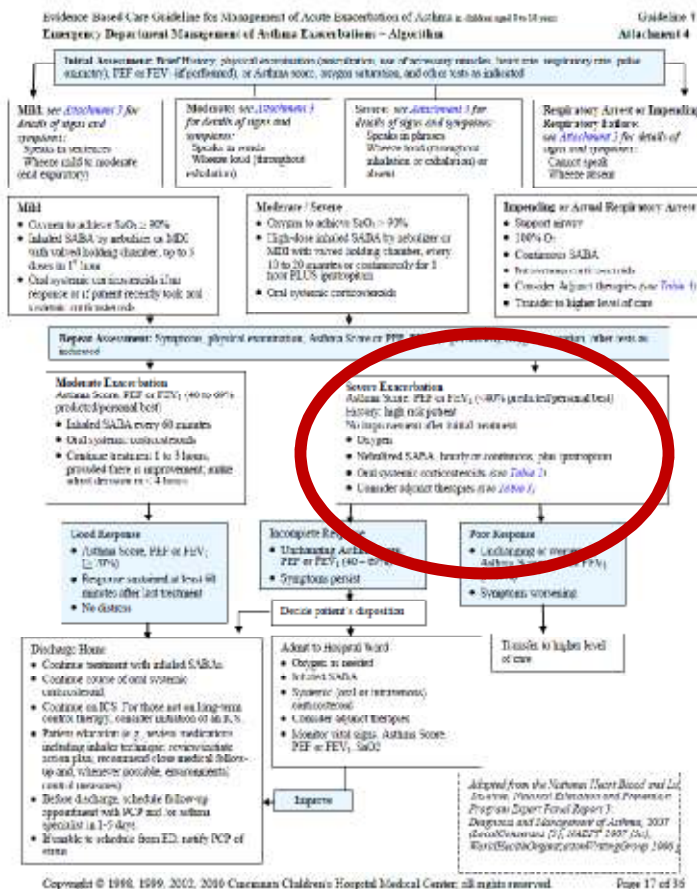


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Severa...

- Oxígeno (Alto Flujo)
- Terbutalina vs. Epinefrina IM
- Nebulización Albuterol (Continua)
- Ipratropium
- Corticoides Sistémicos EV
- Sulfato de Magnesio
- Observación – Cuidado Intensivo
- En Casos muy Severos IRS – Ketamina

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LEVE
E. Clínica 1-3
PFEM > 70%
Sat O₂ > 94%

*Considerar Salbutamol MDI
(1-2 dosis):
Nº pufs = peso/3 (min 5 puff;
max 10 puff)

ALTA

*β-2-adrenérgico
< 5 años salbutamol MDI 5 puff/dosis
a demanda (mínimo cada 2-4 horas)
≥ 5 años salbutamol MDI 5 puff/dosis
a demanda (mínimo cada 2-4 horas) o
salbutamol/terbutalina en dispositivo de
polvo seco a demanda 1-2 inh/dosis
*Considerar prednisona oral 1-2 mg/kg/día, 4-
5 días. Siempre en crisis moderadas
*Valorar inicio de corticoides inhalados

Neb=nebulizado
MDI=inalador presurizado con espaciador

VALORACIÓN GRAVEDAD CRISIS ASMÁTICA

- Escala clínica
- Pico flujo espiratorio máximo
- Saturación de Oxígeno

MODERADA-GRAVE

- E. Clínica > 3
- PFEM < 70%
- SO < 94%

*Oxigenoterapia
*Salbutamol neb o MDI
Salbutamol neb a demanda:
< 20 kg 2,5 mg
≥ 20 kg 5 mg
Salbutamol MDI a demanda:
Nº pufs = peso/3 (min 5 puff; max 10 puff)
*Ipratropio neb 250 µg o MDI 4 puff
(3 tandas asociado a salbutamol) si:
•E. Clínica > 4
•PFEM < 50%
•Sat O₂ < 91%
*Prednisona oral o IV 1-2 mg/kg (1ª dosis)
*Si SatO₂ inicial < 91% deberá permanecer al
menos unas horas en la UO de urgencias

FALLO RESPIRATORIO
Cianosis
Alteración de conciencia

ESTABILIZAR

*ABCs (Semincorporado – valorar SRI; Oxigenoterapia;
Monitorización; Acceso venoso)
*Adrenalina, salbutamol o terbutalina SC 0,01 mg/kg
*Salbutamol nebulización continua
*Metilprednisolona IV 1-2 mg/kg
*Sulfato de magnesio IV 25-50 mg/kg
*Valorar traslado a UCIP

INGRESO

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Nº pufs = peso/3 (min 5 puff; max 10 puff)
*Prednisona oral o IV 1-2 mg/kg/día en 3 dosis
*Valorar Sulfato de magnesio IV 25-50 mg/kg)
*Valorar Teofilina IV 5 mg/kg/6 horas (B)
*Valorar Rx Tórax

* Valorar **hospitalización** si no mejoría en 24 horas
* Valorar **UCIP** si empeoramiento



Crisis Asmática Severa

- Epinefrina o Terbutalina
 - Pacientes con poco movimiento de aire
 - Respuesta pobre a la nebulización
 - Pacientes muy ansiosos que no cooperan
- Epinefrina vs Terbutalina
 - (0.01 mg/ kg -0.3 vs 0.25 max)
 - Terbutalina mas selectiva con los receptores Beta
 - Menos efectos adversos
 - Mejor distribución – menos vaso constricción
 - Falta evidencia



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Intermitente vs. Continuo

- Camargo CA – 2003
 - Revisión sistemática
 - 8 estudios RCT (ED – 2 Pediátricos)
 - 461 Pacientes
 - “Evidencia actual recomienda el uso de nebulización continua en pacientes con crisis asmática severa”



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Effectiveness of magnesium sulfate as initial treatment of acute severe asthma in children, conducted in a tertiary-level university hospital. A randomized, controlled trial

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TABLE 4. *Univariate analysis*

	Treatment group n= 76	Control group n= 67	p-value
Need of MV	5% (n= 4)	33% (n= 22)	0.001
Length-of-stay in MV (days) α	3 (1-6)	5 (2-12)	0.087
Total hospital length-of-stay α	7 (3-12)	19 (14-29)	0.046
Length-of-stay in PICU (days) α	2 (1-4)	10 (6-18)	0.0376

α : median, interquartile range.

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Sulfato de Magnesio

- Su uso IV es efectivo **para prevenir hospitalizaciones en niños con crisis asmáticas moderada-graves** cuando se añaden a $\beta 2$ adrenérgicos y glucocorticoides (NNT 4)
- **Ninguno de los 4 ensayos clínicos publicados ha revelado EA significantes**, tales como hipotensión, hipotonía o alteración de los reflejos, utilizando dosis IV de 25-75 mg/kg (máximo 2 gr) en 20 min
- Su uso **inhhalado** puede ser efectivo y seguro, pudiendo ser considerada su nebulización junto con $\beta 2$ adrenérgicos, especialmente en las exacerbaciones más graves, en las cuales mejora la función pulmonar

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Beta- Agonistas & Terbutalina EV?

- Travers A – 2001
 - “... no hay evidencia suficiente para recomendar el uso de beta 2 – agonistas EF en asma severo” (...pero se necesitan mas trabajos...)
- Se debe considerar la Terbutalina EV en aquellos pacientes con poca respuesta a intervenciones iniciales agresivas



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Otras Modalidades...

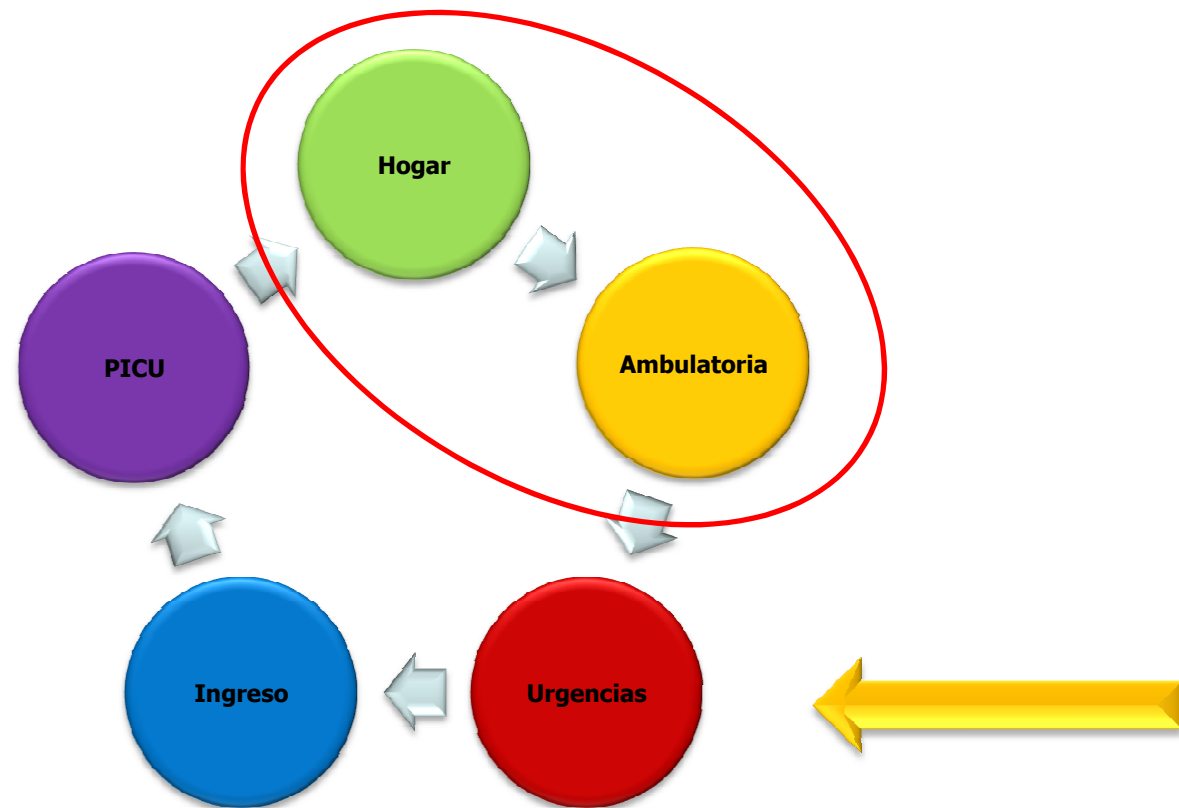
- Heliox
- BiPAP – Bilevel Positive Airway Pressure
- Ventilación Mecánica



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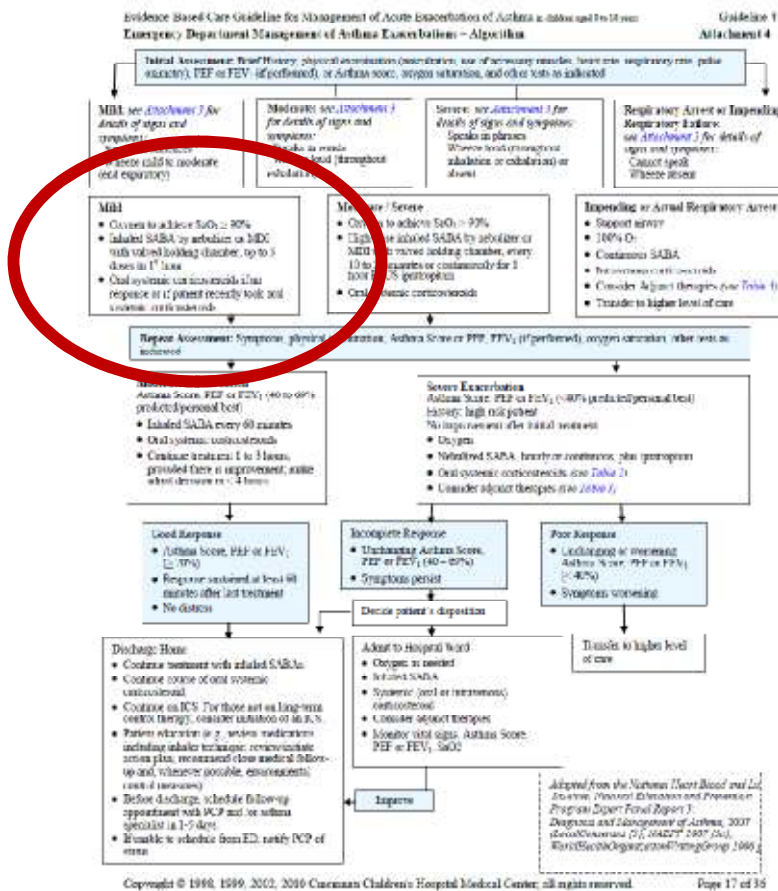


Asma en Pediatría



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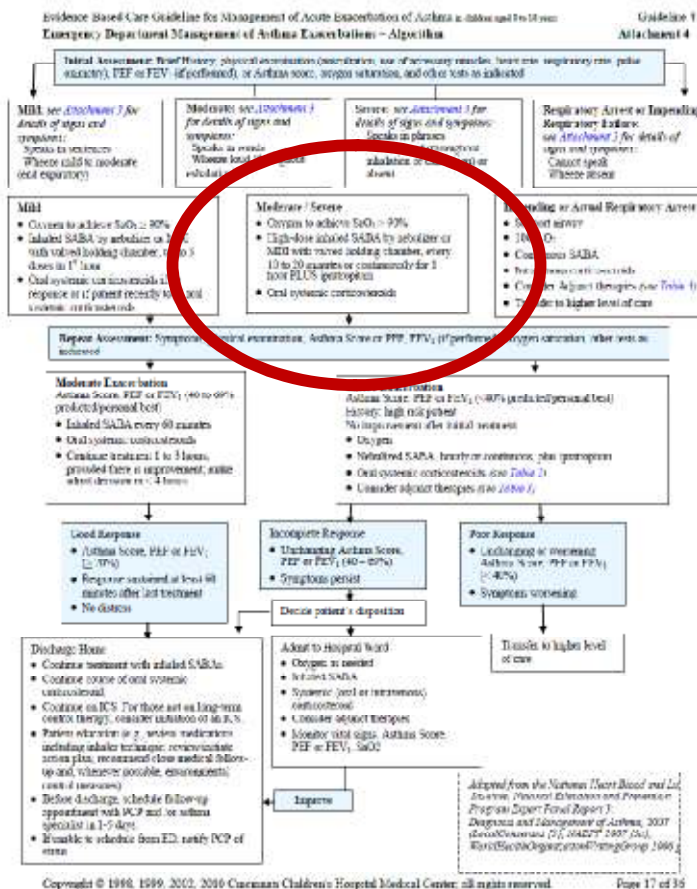


Leve...

- Oxígeno
- Albuterol Neb o MDI (3 dosis / hora)
- Considerar Prednisolona 1 mg/kg por 5 días
- Observación
- Alta
 - Beta Agonistas
 - Corticoides
 - Considerar Terapia Control
- Educación

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Moderada...

- Oxígeno
- Albuterol Neb o MDI (10 – 20 min)
- Ipratropium
- Prednisolona 1 mg/kg por 5 días
- Observación
- Alta
 - Beta Agonistas
 - Corticoides
 - Terapia Control
- Educación

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Validity and responsiveness of a brief, asthma-specific quality-of-life instrument in children with acute asthma.

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Abstract

OBJECTIVE: To test the validity and short-term responsiveness to change of a pediatric, asthma-specific, health-related quality-of-life (HRQL) instrument.

METHODS: Children 2 years and older treated in the emergency department (ED) for acute asthma were eligible for this prospective cohort study. A 10-item instrument, the Integrated Therapeutics Group Child Asthma Short Form (ITG-CASF), was administered at the time of the ED visit and again 14 days later (via telephone). At the follow-up call, parents were also asked about the child's current overall asthma status, missed school or limited activities, and persistence of asthma symptoms.

RESULTS: A total of 121 children were enrolled (mean age, 7.9 years), and follow-up was complete for 96 (79%). Mean \pm SD ITG-CASF scores at follow-up were significantly higher among children reported to have improved overall (61.8 \pm 19.6) than those not improved (41.9 \pm 21.2), and there was a significant correlation between ITG-CASF score at follow-up and the number of days of school missed or limited activities ($r = -0.45$; 95% confidence interval [CI], -0.24 to -0.66). There was also a significant difference in improvement in ITG-CASF score from ED visit to follow-up among those improved (13.7-point improvement) compared with those not improved (3.3-point improvement; difference = 10.4; 95% CI, 1.2 to 19.5). The effect size was 0.68, indicating a large responsiveness to change.

CONCLUSIONS: The ITG-CASF is a valid and responsive measure of HRQL in children with acute asthma and may be a useful outcome measure in evaluating ED treatment.

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Asthma Action Plan for
 Doctor's Name: Dr. Carol Roark Phone number: 859-655-6100

GO! (Green)			
Use these medicines EVERY DAY to prevent asthma attacks			
You have ALL of these:	Medicine	How Much to Take	When to Take it
	Flovent 44 mcg	2 puffs	Morning and Night
Before exercise, if needed: 2-4 puffs of Albuterol inhaler with spacer or 1 neb treatment, 30 minutes before exercise			

CAUTION (Yellow)			
Keep taking daily medicines (above), and add			
You have ANY of these:	Medicine	How Much to Take	When to Take it
	Albuterol	4 - 6 puffs of inhaler, or 1 nebulizer treatment	Every 4 hours as needed for 24-48 hours
	If you need Albuterol more often than every 4 hours, <u>OR</u> If you are having symptoms after 2 days, <u>OR</u> If the Albuterol is not helping at any time, <u>CALL THE DOCTOR!</u>		

DANGER!! (Red)			
Take these medicines and call your doctor			
Your asthma is getting worse quickly:	Medicine	How Much to Take	When to Take it
	Albuterol	4 - 6 puffs of inhaler, or 1 nebulizer treatment	Give Albuterol treatment every 5-10 minutes, up to 3 times in a row
	Get help from a doctor NOW! If you cannot contact your doctor, go to the ER or call 911. Do NOT wait!		

Check all items that trigger your asthma and things that could make your asthma worse.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tobacco Smoke	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Exercise, Sports, Work and Play	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dust Mites
<input type="checkbox"/>	Molds	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cockroaches	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Colds/Flu
<input type="checkbox"/>	Change in Weather	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pets	<input type="checkbox"/>	Strong Odors and Sprays
<input type="checkbox"/>	Unknown	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other Medicines	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allergies
<input type="checkbox"/>	Foods	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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¿Preguntas?



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