

**Guidance on the
use of inhaler
systems (devices)
in children under
the age of 5
years with
chronic asthma**

1. Guidance

- 1.1 For children under the age of 5 years with chronic stable asthma both corticosteroids and bronchodilator therapy should be routinely delivered by pressurised metered dose inhaler (pMDI) and spacer system, with a facemask where necessary.
- 1.2 Where this combination is not clinically effective for the child and depending on the child's condition, nebulised therapy may be considered and in the case of children aged 3 to 5 years, a dry powder inhaler (DPI) may also be considered.
- 1.3 Choice of device to be made within the pMDI and spacer range should be primarily governed by specific individual need and the likelihood of good compliance. Once these factors have been taken into account, choice should be made on the basis of cost minimisation.

This section, Section 1, constitutes the Institute's Guidance on the use of inhaler systems (devices) in children under the age of 5 years with chronic asthma. The remainder of the document is structured in the following way:

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Arweiniad ar
ddefnyddio
systemau
(dyfeisiau)
anadlu mewn
plant o dan 5
oed sydd ag
asthma cronig

1 Arweiniad

- 1.1 I blant o dan 5 oed ag asthma sefydlog cronig, dylid rhoi corticosteroidau a therapi broncoledydd fel mater o drefn, drwy anadlydd gwasgeddedig dogn mesuredig (pMDI) a system bylchau, gyda masg wyneb lle bo angen.
- 1.2 Lle nad yw'r cyfuniad hwn yn effeithiol yn glinigol ar gyfer y plentyn ac yn dibynnu ar gyflwr y plentyn, hwyrach yr ystyrir therapi nebweiddio, ac yn achos plant rhwng 3 a 5 oed, hwyrach yr ystyrir anadlydd powdr sych (DPI) hefyd.
- 1.3 Angen penodol yr unigolyn a thebygolrwydd cydymffurfiaeth dda ddylai reoli'r dewis o ddyfais o fewn yr ystod pMDI a bylchau. Unwaith y mae'r ffactorau hyn wedi eu hystyried, dylid dewis ar sail lleihau costau.

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Mae'r adran hon, sef Adran 1, yn ffurfio Arweiniad y Sefydliad ar ddefnyddio systemau (dyfeisiau) anadlu mewn plant o dan 5 oed sydd ag asthma cronig. Mae gweddill y ddogfen wedi ei strwythuro fel a ganlyn:

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| 6 Arweiniad Perthnasol | • Atodiad B: Ffynonellau Tystiolaeth |
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