

Respiratory Medications

The revised Respiratory filter (CAT4 version 4.7.2) provides backwards compatibility with the earlier CAT4 versions whilst aligning with the new Asthma and COPD medication guidelines available at the National Asthma Council of Australia.

[Asthma & COPD Medications Chart 2018 \(pdf\)](#)

ASTHMA & COPD MEDICATIONS

SABA RELIEVERS



Bricanyl Turbuhaler †
terbutaline 500mcg



Ventolin Inhaler †
salbutamol 100mcg



Airomir Autohaler †
salbutamol 100mcg



Asmol Inhaler †
salbutamol 100mcg

ICS PREVENTERS



Flixotide Inhaler †
fluticasone propionate
50mcg • 125mcg • 250mcg
*Flixotide Junior



Fluticasone Cipla Inhaler †
fluticasone propionate
125mcg • 250mcg



Flixotide Accuhaler †
fluticasone propionate
100mcg • 250mcg • 500mcg



Pulmicort Turbuhaler †
budesonide
100mcg • 200mcg • 400mcg

ICS/LABA COMBINATIONS



Symbicort Turbuhaler ‡
budesonide/formoterol
100/6 • 200/6 • 400/12 #



DuoResp Spiromax ‡
budesonide/formoterol
200/6 • 400/12 #



Symbicort Rapihaler ‡
budesonide/formoterol
50/3 • 100/3 • 200/6 #



Flutiform Inhaler ‡
fluticasone propionate/formoterol
50/5 • 125/5 • 250/10

LAMA MEDICATIONS



Spiriva Respimat # ‡
tiotropium 2.5mcg



Spiriva Handihaler #
tiotropium 18mcg



Bretaris Genuair #
acridinium 322mcg



Seebri Breezhaler #
glycopyrronium 50mcg

NON STEROIDAL PREVENTERS



Singulair Tablet ^a
montelukast
4mg • 5mg • 10mg



Montelukast Tablet ^a
montelukast
4mg • 5mg • 10mg
Generic medicine suppliers



Intal Inhaler †
sodium cromoglycate
1mg • 5mg †
*Intal Forte



Tilade Inhaler †
nedocromil sodium
2mg

SAMA MEDICATION



QVAR Inhaler †
beclomethasone
50mcg • 100mcg



QVAR Autohaler ‡
beclomethasone
50mcg • 100mcg



Atrivent Metered Aerosol †
ipratropium 21mcg



Alvesco Inhaler †
ciclesonide
80mcg • 160mcg

LABA MEDICATIONS



Oxis Turbuhaler ‡
formoterol
6mcg • 12mcg



Serevent Accuhaler ‡
salmeterol
50mcg



Onbrez Breezhaler ^a
indacaterol
150mcg • 300mcg

LAMA/LABA COMBINATIONS



Spiolto Respimat ^c
tiotropium/olodaterol
2.5/2.5



Brimica Genuair ^c
acridinium/formoterol
340/12



Ultibro Breezhaler ^c
indacaterol/glycopyrronium
110/50
all units in mcg



Anoro Ellipta ^c
umecidinium/vilanterol
62.5/25

RESOURCES

TREATMENT GUIDELINES
Australian Asthma Handbook: astmahandbook.org.au
COPD-X Plan: copdx.org.au

INHALER TECHNIQUE
How-to videos, patient and practitioner information
nationalasthma.org.au
Inhalers/MDIs should be used with a compatible spacer

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PBS PRESCRIBERS † Asthma unrestricted benefit ‡ Asthma restricted benefit ^a Asthma authority required [^] COPD unrestricted benefit # COPD restricted benefit ^c COPD authority required Check TGA and PBS for current age and condition criteria

The new guidelines:

1. Categorise medications as SABA, SAMA, LABA, LAMA, Preventers and Combinations.
2. Indicate which medications are for use with Asthma, COPD or both.
3. Include Relievers for use in COPD.

Relievers	SABA	Asthma or COPD
	SAMA	Asthma or COPD
Symptom Controllers	LABA	
	Salmeterol or Formoterol	Asthma
	Indacaterol	COPD
Management	LAMA	COPD
Preventers	ICS and Non Steroidal	Asthma
Combination	ICS/LABA	Asthma
	LAMA/LABA	COPD

	ICS/LAMA/LABA	COPD
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LABA Long Acting Beta Agonist | LAMA Long Acting Muscarinic Antagonist | SABA Short Acting Beta Agonist | SAMA Short Acting Muscarinic Antagonist

CAT continues to group the medications under Antiasthmatic and COPD to support existing CAT functionality that allows for searches by condition category. As the Relievers can now also be used in COPD, an additional option under COPD allows for these to be included in a COPD medication search. While there is some duplication in this filter (for example the inhaled steroid option is duplicated under the "Antiasthmatic" section this allows for more options in filtering and for backward compatibility.

General	Ethnicity	Conditions	Medications	Date Range (Results)	Date Range (Visits)	Patient Name	Patient Status	Providers	Risk Factors	Health Care Homes	MBS Attendance	Custom Filters	Saved Filters
Medications - Heart		Medications - Respiratory		Medication - Antidiabetics		Medications - Other							

Antiasthmatic		Steroids		COPD		Long Acting	
☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ Yes	☐ No
☐ Relievers (SABA and SAMA)	☐ No	☐ Steroid - Inhaled	☐ No	☐ Management - Tiotropium (LAMA)	☐ No	☐ COPD or Relievers	☐ LABA
☐ Symptom Controllers (LABA)	☐ No	☐ Steroid - Oral	☐ No	☐ Management - Other (LAMA)	☐ No		☐ LAMA
☐ Preventers (ICS and Non Steroids)	☐ No			☐ Symptom Controllers (LABA)	☐ No		
☐ Combination (ICS/LABA)	☐ No			☐ Combination (LAMA/LABA)	☐ No		
				☐ Combination (ICS/LAMA/LABA)	☐ No		

Clear Medications

If you load older data extracts, the filter will be limited to the 'Management Tiotropium (LAMA)' category, as we previously didn't collect the other drugs for COPD.

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☐ Preventers (ICS and Non Steroids)	☐ No			☐ Symptom Controllers (LABA)	☐ No		
☐ Combination (ICS/LABA)	☐ No			☐ Combination (LAMA/LABA)	☐ No		
				☐ Combination (ICS/LAMA/LABA)	☐ No		

Clear Medications

The "Long Acting" filter category allows to filter for any LABA (Antiasthmatic OR COPD) while the LAMA option is mainly for backward compatibility.