

# Asthma

## Emergency Department Management

Variable	0 points	1 points	2 points	3 points
<b>RR</b>				
< 2 mo		≤ 60	61-69	≥ 70
2-12 mo		≤ 50	51-59	≥ 60
1-2 yr		≤ 40	41-44	≥ 45
2-3 yr		≤ 34	35-39	≥ 40
4-5 yr		≤ 30	31-35	≥ 36
6-12 yr		≤ 26	27-30	≥ 31
> 12 yr		≤ 23	24-27	≥ 28
<b>Retractions</b>	None	Subcostal or intercostal	2 of the following: subcostal, intercostal, substernal, OR nasal flaring (infant)	3 of the following: subcostal, intercostal, substernal, suprasternal, supraclavicular OR nasal flaring/headbobbing (infant)
<b>Dyspnea</b>				
0-2 years	Normal feeding, vocalizations and activity	1 of the following: difficulty feeding, decreased vocalization or agitated	2 of the following: difficulty feeding, decreased vocalization or agitated	Stops feeding, no vocalization, drowsy or confused
2-4 years	Normal feeding, vocalizations and play	1 of the following: decreased appetite, increased coughing after play, hyperactivity	2 of the following: decreased appetite, increased coughing after play, hyperactivity	Stops eating or drinking, stops playing, OR drowsy and confused
> 4	Counts to ≥ 10 in one breath	Counts to 7-9 in one breath	Counts to 4-6 in one breath	Counts to ≤ 3 in one breath
<b>Auscultation</b>	Normal breathing, no wheezing present	End-expiratory wheeze only	Expiratory wheeze only (greater than end-expiratory wheeze)	Inspiratory and expiratory wheeze OR diminished breath sounds OR both

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