**Document title:** **All Wales Adult Asthma Management and Prescribing Guidelines (update 2023)**

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**Consultation comments**

Is there anything you would like to see **added** to the *All Wales Adult Asthma Management and Prescribing Guidelines (update 2023)* document?

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| There is nothing of note we would like to see added to the guidelines and are supportive of the approach.We are pleased to see a sustainable green approach to the guidelines, noting that good asthma control is good for the environment and greener due to a reduction in pMDI salbutamol use. The use of SABA Reliever therapy being moved to the ‘less effective (more traditional) regimen supports this agenda.At the RPS we have developed sustainability policies with inhaler choice being a key component of the ‘improving prescribing and medicines use’ theme. We know metered dose inhalers (MDI) contribute an estimated 3% of the carbon footprint of the NHS in the UK. It is clear there is a significant opportunity to optimise medicines and reduce emissions associated with inhalers. Pharmacists can review a patient’s diagnosis, inhaler technique, frequency of inhaler use and, if appropriate, switch to a lower carbon inhaler.We know research has shown that recycling of used inhalers, switching to inhalers with lower propellant levels and encouraging patients to keep track of doses to avoid disposing of half used inhalers and reducing waste can have a positive environmental and cost benefit. We are supportive of an approach which encompasses these principles. |

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