Catching our breath – report at a glance

Data collected between 1 April 2023 – 31 March 2024, compiled from:

8,601 asthma and COPD records across England and Wales

27,507

pulmonary rehabilitation records across England and Wales

1. Improving data availability and quality to drive change:

> Integrated care boards and local health boards should mandate for all eligible services to participate in NRAP to achieve 100% service participation and a minimum of 50% case ascertainment.



CYP

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of CYP (aged 6-18) were

1 hour of arrival

administered steroids within

2. Ensuring timely access to optimal care:

The British Thoracic Society, as the expert body, should lead the development of a standardised acute care bundle for patients with asthma and COPD on arrival to hospital.

Adults with asthma

10%

of adults with asthma had peak flow

(PEF) recorded within 1 hour of arrival

excludes people unable to do PEF



COPD

3. Delivering essential treatment – tobacco dependence:

> All people with COPD and asthma who smoke, and smokers who are parents of children and young people with asthma, should be offered evidence-based treatment and referral for tobacco dependency.



4. Improving discharge planning – spotlight on healthcare improvement:

Integrated care boards and local health boards should regularly review NRAP data on discharge planning for CYP and adult asthma and COPD with their providers. If data indicates gaps in care or poor data quality, they should collaborate to identify solutions.





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