

**Patient Problem**

Asthma Exacerbation

**Past Medical History**

A 46-yr-old male with a 30-pack year history of tobacco use is being seen at a local urgent care near home. He has a history of asthma and he uses a metered dose inhaler on a prn basis. He presented to the urgent care with his wife by private vehicle. He presents with persistent dyspnea and wheezes unrelieved by his metered dose inhaler. Wife is appears anxious. The patient recently began to work on his personal health and began exercising at the gym. Per standing order, the patient requires a CXR, and nebulizer treatment.

**Allergies**

Penicillin

**Provider Question****Patient Response****Symptom/Issue**

Can you tell me your name and date of birth?

My name is... and my date of birth is...

Tell me a little about why you're here today

I'm having a hard time breathing  
I can't seem to catch my breath

Asthma; Difficulty breathing

Do you have any allergies?

Penicillin

Asthma; Difficulty breathing

Is anything bothering you right now?

Yes  
I can't breathe  
it's hard to breathe

Asthma; Difficulty breathing

Are you having any pain?

Not really, it's just hard to breathe

Asthma; Difficulty breathing

Can you describe the pain?

I'm not really having any pain, it's just hard to breathe

Asthma; Difficulty breathing

Where is the pain?

I'm not really having any pain, it's just hard to breathe

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How does it feel when you are breathing?

Like I can't take a full breath

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How long have you been feeling this way?

Just today

What were you doing when you started to feel this way?

Working out at the gym

Are you having any other symptoms?

I have a small headache  
My head hurts just a bit

Tell me about the medications you take

I take medicine for high blood pressure and an inhaler  
when I need it

Hypertension and asthma

How long have you been taking your medications?

For many years but I only take my inhaler when I need  
it

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Did you take your medicines and inhaler today?

Did you take your inhaler today?

Yes  
Yes, while I was at the gym

Did using the inhaler help you breathe better?

No, that's why I came here