Asthma – Outpatient*

Severity Classification								
Variable	Intermittent	Mild	Moderate	Severe				
Symptom frequency	≤2 d/wk	>2 d/wk	Daily	Throughout day				
Nighttime awakenings	0-4 yr: 0 ≥5 yr: ≤2/mo	0-4 yr: 1-2/mo ≥5 yr: 3-4/mo	0-4 yr: 3-4/mo ≥5 yr: ≥1/wk	0-4 yr: >1/wk ≥5 yr: >7/wk				
Interference w/ activity	None	Minor	Some	Extreme				
SABA use	≤2 d/wk	0-4 yr: >2d/wk ≥5 yr: >2/wk	Daily	Throughout day				
FEV1% predicted	>80%	>80%	60-80%	<60%				
Treatment	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 3				

	Stepwise Approach to Asthma Treatment						
Age	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6	
0-4	SABA PRN	Low dose ICS	Medium dose ICS	Medium dose ICS + (LABA OR montelukast)	High dose ICS + (LABA OR montelukast)	High dose ICS + (LABA or montelukast) + PO steroids	
5-11	SABA PRN	Low dose ICS	Low dose ICS + LABA or LTRA OR Medium dose ICS	Medium dose ICS + LABA	High dose ICS + LABA	High dose ICS + LABA + PO steroids	
>12	SABA PRN	Low dose ICS	Low dose ICS + LABA OR Medium dose ICS	Medium dose ICS + LABA	High dose ICS + LABA	High dose ICS + LABA + PO steroids	

Bronchiolitis*					
Presentation	URI symptoms → cough, wheezing/rales, increased WOB, peak symptoms 4-7 days of illness Exam : rhinorrhea, cough, tachypnea, retractions, nasal flaring, grunting, crackles, wheezing				
Differential	Viral URI, asthma exacerbation, PNA, croup Red Flags: apnea, respiratory failure, pneumothorax, bacterial PNA superinfection, dehydration				
Workup	Assess severity (mental/hydration/respiratory status); no routine indication for labs or CXR but consider if concern for bacterial superinfection				
Treatment					
	Outpatient	Supportive w/ bulb suction, hydration, tylenol/motrin			
	Inpatient (if <2 mos, supp O2 req, unable to take PO, increased WOB)	Wall suction, IVF, chest PT, supp O2 to maintain SpO2 >90%, spot check SpO2			
	ICU (if hypoxia respiratory failure)	Wall suction, IVF, chest PT, supp O2 to maintain SpO2 >90%, CPAP/BiPAP, consider albuterol, HTS, rac epi though little evidence to support benefits of therapy			