

## ADULT RESPIRATORY AR-07

## **WHEEZING**

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History and Physical:	
Historical Findings	Physical Findings
<ul><li>History of asthma</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Dyspnea with wheezing or prolonged</li> </ul>
	expiratory phase

## Assessment:

- Respiratory Assessment
- Differential Diagnoses: Asthma, COPD Exacerbation, Cardiac Wheezes, Foreign Body

Clinical Management Options:		
Interventions	Pharmacology	
<ul> <li>Oxygen therapy as appropriate</li> <li>Vascular Access as appropriate</li> <li>Fluid Bolus PRN         <ul> <li>Assess for pulmonary edema</li> </ul> </li> <li>Noninvasive ventilation         <ul> <li>Consider In-line nebulizer treatment</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Albuterol 2.5 mg PRN</li> <li>Ipratroprium Bromide 500mcg SVN x 1</li> <li>Methylprednisolone 125 mg IV/IO</li> <li>Epinephrine 0.3mg IM 1:1,000         <ul> <li>If severe distress, patient age &lt;60, and patient is not medically fragile</li> </ul> </li> <li>Magnesium Sulfate 2 G IV/IO infusion         <ul> <li>Mix 2 G in 100 ml NS and infuse over 10 minutes using pump</li> </ul> </li> <li>May be repeated x 1</li> </ul>	