



Royal College  
of Physicians

National Respiratory Audit  
Programme (NRAP)



**Primary  
care audit**  
Information  
for parents  
and carers

## What is the National Respiratory Audit Programme primary care audit?

You have been given this leaflet because your child has asthma. We would like to tell you about the national clinical audit that is being carried out and how your child's information may be used.

The NRAP primary care audit looks at how children and young people with asthma receive care from their GP surgery. It compares this care with national guidelines for these conditions.

Clinical audits ask questions about the care provided to patients, such as:

- > What should we be doing?
- > What are we doing?
- > How can we improve?

## What information will be collected about my child?

Information about your child's asthma diagnosis and treatment will be collected. This information is taken from electronic patient records at GP surgeries in Wales. Their identity remains private at all times.

## How is my child's information collected?

Information is collected from patient records starting in autumn 2023. Data collection will continue at 3-monthly intervals until at least 31 May 2026.

## Why haven't the GP surgery staff asked for my permission to use my child's information?

The audit will not collect any information that can be used to identify your child. This means it is not necessary to ask for permission from parents or guardians.

## How do we keep your child's information safe?

Organisations handling your data must follow laws to keep your information safe.

## How will my child's information be used?

GP surgeries will receive reports to improve the care of your child. Reports also help identify areas requiring improvement across Wales. The data may be used for research; your child's identity is always protected.

## Saying 'no thank you'

In the past, patients could say 'no' or 'opt out' of allowing their data to be used for audit. As only anonymous data is used, this is now not applicable.

## Who is running the audit?

The audit is funded by Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership and run by the Royal College of Physicians (RCP).

## Contact

If you have any questions, ask your GP surgery or contact the NRAP team through email at [NRAPinbox@rcp.ac.uk](mailto:NRAPinbox@rcp.ac.uk) or phone at 020 3075 1526.

You can also find out more on the NRAP website at: [www.rcp.ac.uk/projects/primary-care-workstream](http://www.rcp.ac.uk/projects/primary-care-workstream)

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