# PLAN TO MANAGE YOUR ASTHMA

## Asthma Action Plan

Print this Asthma Action Plan and complete it with your doctor during your next visit. You should review your Asthma Action Plan with your doctor every year. Keep a copy with you at all times, and share it with your family, friends, and caregivers so that you know the steps to take when you have asthma symptoms.

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GREEN ZONE: GOOD

**Symptoms**
- Breathing well
- Not coughing or wheezing
- No chest tightness or trouble breathing
- Can work and exercise

**Action**
- Take controller medication as directed:
  - Take ___ puff(s) ___ times per day.
- Avoid asthma triggers.

Peak flow reading: (More than 80% of best reading)

YELLOW ZONE: CAUTION

**Symptoms**
- Signs of a cold or cough
- Coughing or wheezing
- Some shortness of breath or tight chest
- Exposed to asthma trigger
- Can’t complete regular activities

**Action**
- Take controller medication as directed AND rescue medication:
  - Take ___ puff(s) of my controller medication ___ times per day.
  - Take ___ puffs of my rescue medication ___ times per day.
- Avoid asthma triggers.
- Call doctor if symptoms don’t get better in one hour.

Peak flow reading: (50%–80% of best reading)

RED ZONE: DANGER

**Symptoms**
- Breathing is difficult and fast
- Continuous coughing or wheezing
- Very short of breath or tight chest
- Can’t walk or talk without struggling to breathe
- Rescue medication isn’t helping

**Action**
- Take controller medication as directed AND rescue medication:
  - Take ___ puff(s) of my controller medication ___ times per day.
  - Take ___ puffs of my rescue medication ___ times per day.
- Call doctor immediately.
- If doctor isn’t available, call 911 or go to nearest Emergency Room.

Peak flow reading: (Less than 50% of best reading)