

## **Project Title: Respiratory illness in childhood – better care for better outcomes**

One of the projects of TV Children and Maternity SCN is to improve asthma care and management of viral wheeze in children and young people with the aim of reducing hospital admissions .

These materials are offered to provide a model of how an educational meetings programme for primary care professionals on this topic might be organised and structured. Successful meetings were held using these materials in Aylesbury and Milton Keynes, which attracted 70-90 doctors and nurses to each meeting and had very good feedback from participants.

**The materials and presentations for these meetings are available here**

<http://tvscn.nhs.uk/about/who-we-are/maternity-children/children/respiratory-illness-childhood/>

**You are welcome to use or adapt any of these materials if you would find this useful.**

### **Educational Meetings:**

Aim for a half day meeting as many as possible of the 5 localities – priorities being Berks East, Bucks and Milton Keynes – ideally jointly run by GP, Nurse specialist and Paediatrician . Tie in with Practice (Protected learning )PTL days where these exist. Aim would be to equip practice respiratory leads with the ability to run sessions in their own practice ( with PowerPoint presentations provided by the project) .

### **How to build awareness and obtain engagement**

- Early liaison with CCG Child Health leads to coordinate with existing initiatives
- Initial email contact via practice managers to identify respiratory leads in practices : use CCG circulation lists for emails – need early liaison with CCGs to enlist support.
- This email should announce meeting dates– aiming at least for attendance by practice respiratory leads/teams but others welcome .

### **INITIAL ACTIVITY**

- Liaison with key local players in CCGs/ Primary Care
- Discussion with paediatricians on key issues for care quality improvement and admission avoidance by locality.
- Review Guidelines, Quality Standard and Good practice guide to extract key messages
- Obtain best possible dataset on emergency admissions - **respiratory admission rate for under 19 by GP practice**
- Draft and produce materials for half day educational sessions.
- Draft and then send initial email to practice managers / respiratory leads –TVSCN admin to send out and staff to register with admin.

- Make contact with – key figures in each CCG , lead respiratory paediatrician at each hospital, practice managers to identify respiratory leads and compile a contact list of same, locality special interest GPs and nurses
- Identify date(s) venue(s) and funding for main half day meetings. Publicise meeting
- Produce memory sticks – material common to all events with locality detail added in
- Provide survey and evaluation form
- Survey to be done on day pre session so we can get a baseline and understand any training gaps.
- Certificate if requested

#### **Post Event**

- Collate survey and evaluation and send out to lead team
- Send out follow on email to practices in agreement with CCG with links to website and asking the following questions in a fixed time period; Questions :

1. Please briefly let us know about any meeting or planned meeting in the practice to discuss childhood respiratory care

2. Please describe any changes the practice has made following the November meeting

3. Please let us have the names of the nurse and/or doctor currently acting as respiratory lead in the practice