PARENT INFORMATION ABOUT INHALED MEDICATION PROCEDURES

Medications prescribed for a child to control lung-related illness, including but not limited to, local held nebulizers, may be administered by PACCC child care staff. Specific instructions from parent/legal guardian and child’s physician must be provided.

1. The Inhaled Medication Authorization Form must be completed and signed by the child’s parent and physician.
2. The form must be on file at the center. The parent is responsible for obtaining the physician’s statement in Part II.
3. A new form must be submitted to the center each year AND whenever there is a change in the dosage or a change in the conditions under which inhaled medications are to be administered.
4. A physician may use office stationery or a prescription pad in lieu of completing Part II. Necessary information includes:
   a. Name of child
   b. Reason for medication or diagnosis
   c. Name and exact dosage of medication
   d. Time(s) for medication and frequency or exact time interval dosage is to be administered
   e. If medication is given on an ‘as needed’ basis, specify the exact conditions or symptoms when medication is to be taken and the time at which it may be given again
   f. Duration of medication order and effective dates
   g. Possible adverse reactions
   h. Physician signature, address
   i. Date
5. Medication must be properly labeled by a pharmacist. Expiration date must be clearly indicated.
6. Inhaled medications must be hand-delivered to the center by the parent.
7. Parent is to collect any unused medication upon expiration date of the medication or expiration of the order or on the last day of school (school age programs only).