

Asthma

Definition

An acute or subacute episode of progressive worsening of symptoms of asthma, including shortness of breath, wheezing, cough, and chest tightness.

Disposition

Generally admitted to GIM. There are minimal Bipap beds available on GIM so respirology should be considered if non-invasive ventilatory support is required. Patient's requiring invasive mechanical ventilation will be admitted to the GSICU.

Caveats

If the patient has a respirologist who is following them in the community, they should be admitted to pulmonary.

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Flowchart

