#### **Childhood Respiratory Warrant of Fitness**

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#### **Improvement Team**

- Community pharmacists Unichem Russell Street Pharmacy
- Clinical pharmacist facilitator The Doctors Hastings
- Respiratory nurse champions The Doctors Hastings
- Clinical nurse manager Breathe Hawkes Bay
- Social worker/Maori & Pacific Island Liaison Hawkes Bay DHB
- Consumer Representative



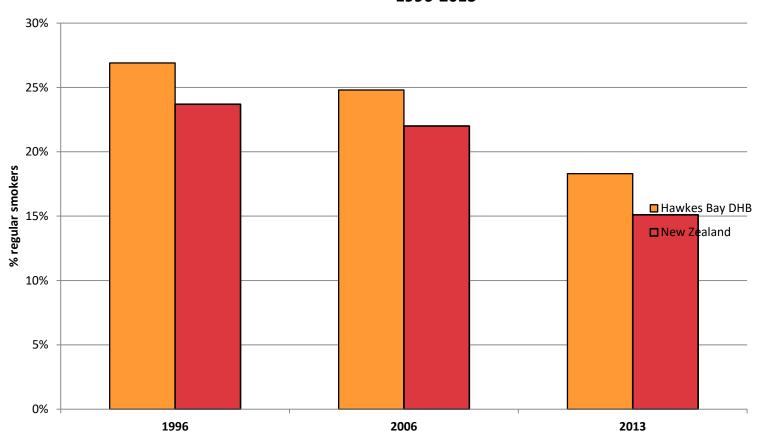
## **Background/Context**

- Hastings Decile 9/Quintile 5 deprivation index area
- High Maori & Pacific Islander population
- Housing issues 3.3 times more likely to be in crowded homes
- Smoking prevalence
- Highest ASH rate for 0-4 years old = childhood respiratory disease
- Maori children 49% higher compared to non-Maori children



#### Diagnose the problem – data

#### Change in regular smoking prevalence 1996-2013



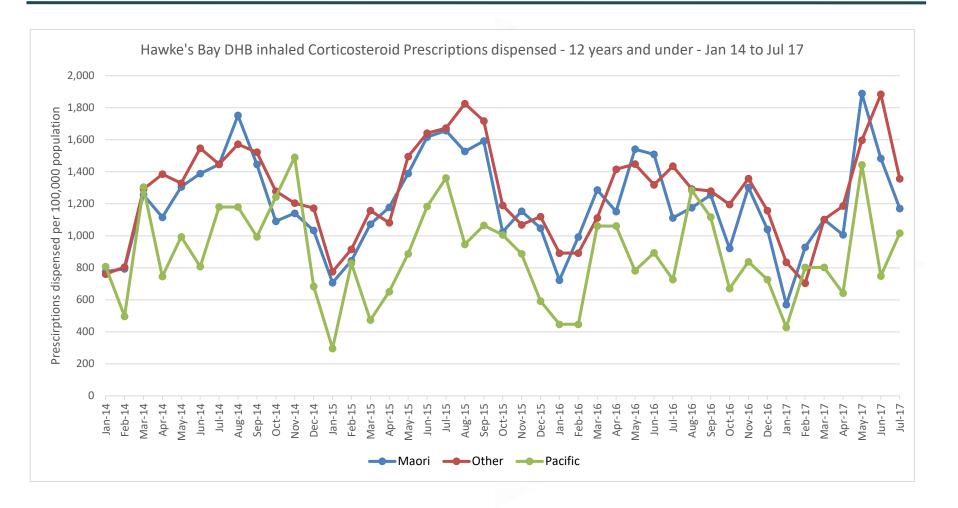


### **Background/Context**

- Admission for childhood respiratory disease 4.5 (European) vs 7.3 (Maori) vs 10.4 (Pacifica) per 1000
- Average of 500 avoidable hospitalisation for Maori children
- Pacifica children highest rate of asthma in Hawkes
   Bay and poor collection of preventer inhalers



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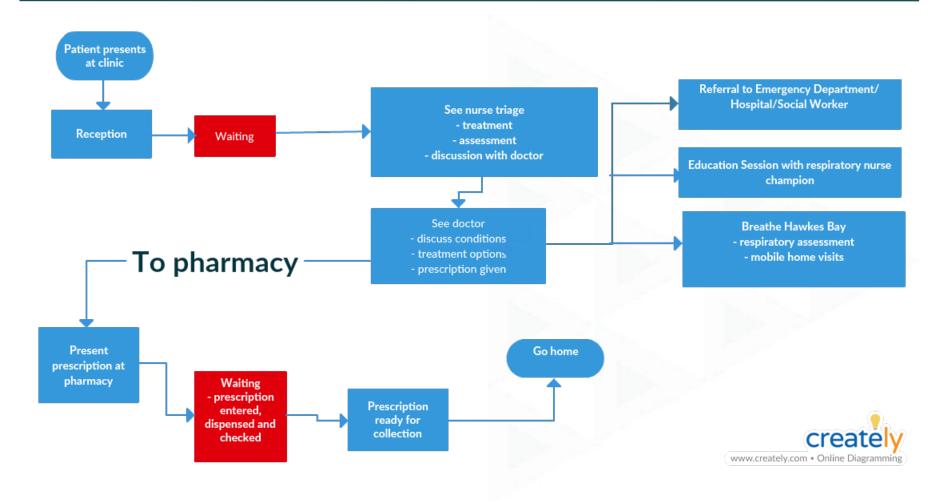


#### **Problem Statement**

Childhood respiratory disease cause a disproportionate burden of disease, and sometimes lifelong health consequences for the most vulnerable children in Hawke's Bay



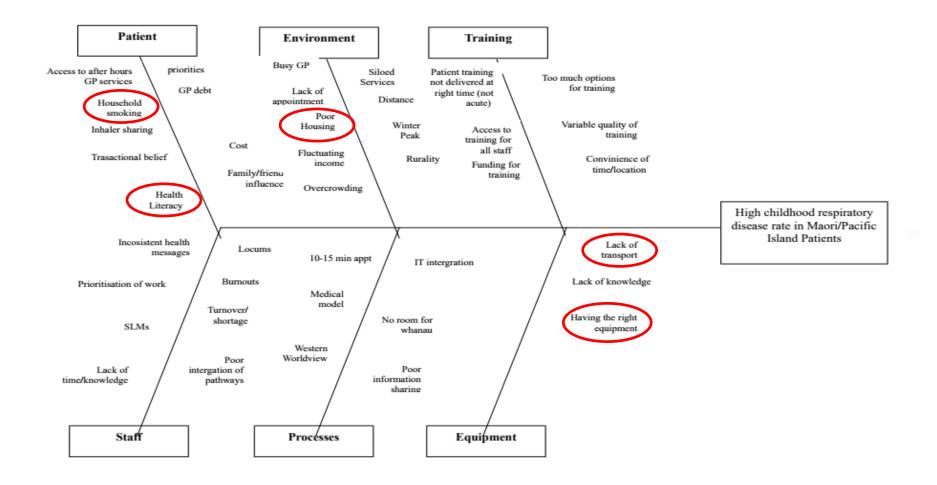
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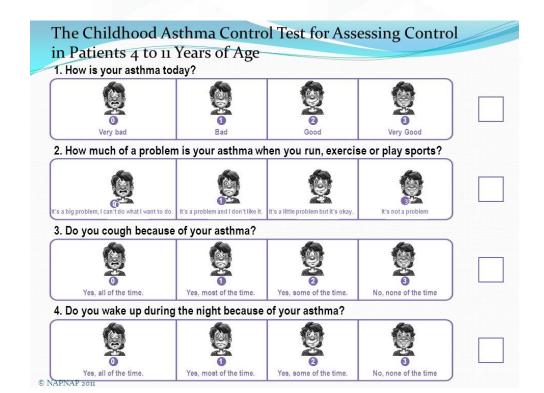


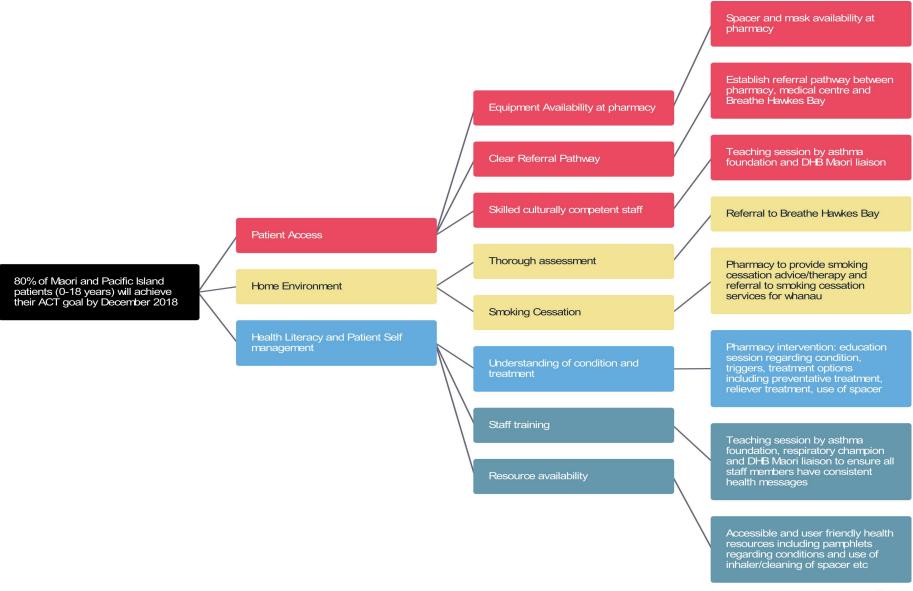




#### **Aim Statement**

 This project aims for 80% of Maori and Pacific Island children (0-18 years old) to improve their Asthma Control Test (ACT) score from current score to target score by December 2018





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#### **Capturing the Patient Experience**

- Inhaler and spacer techniques
- Lack of access to spacers
- Dispensing and repeat systems
- Access to other support systems
- Smoking cessation
- Allergy triggers



#### **Stakeholders & Communication**

- Unichem Russell Street Pharmacy
- Patients/consumers
- The Doctors Hastings
- Breathe Hawkes Bay
- Hawkes Bay DHB
- Health Hawkes Bay (Hawkes Bay PHO)



## **Highlights**

- Team assembly
- Voice of patients
- Input from all stakeholders

### Lowlights

- Data collection
  - identifying appropriate measurements
  - seasonal fluctuations
  - limited access to patient information

#### **Key Success**

- Assembly of team
- Support from pharmacy management, DHB, GP practice, other health professionals and patients

#### **Key barriers**

- Time allocation meetings etc
- Data collection barrier DHB at capacity
- Limited sample size impact evaluation



#### **Lessons Learned**

- Input from all health professionals and patients
- Data collection timeframe and measures
- Availability of resources/support

#### **Dashboard of Measures**

Outcome Measure/s

Asthma Control Test (ACT) scores

- Process Measures
   Number of spacers provided
   Collection of medications (preventer, reliever, emergency steroid)
- Balancing Measures
   cost and sustainability of respiratory warrant of fitness (staff time)
   patient satisfaction regarding waiting time (consumer radar)

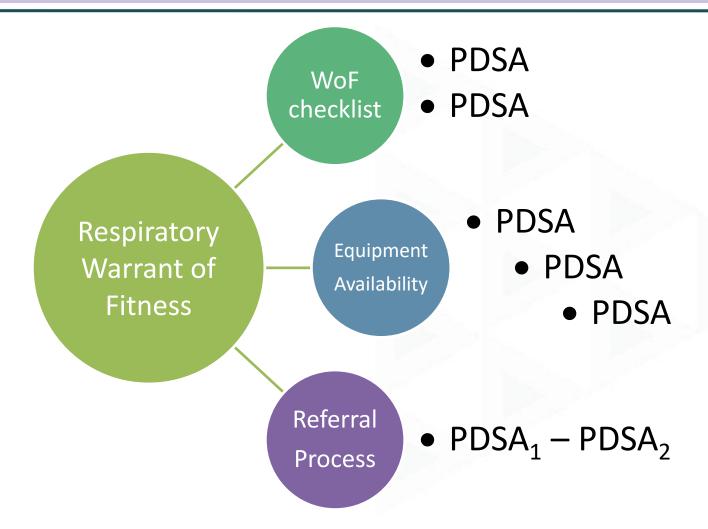


## **Generate Change Ideas to Test**

- Spacer and mask availability at pharmacy
  - DHB initiative
- Referral pathway between pharmacy and Breathe Hawkes Bay
- Respiratory Warrant of Fitness checklist
  - education session
  - format and contents
- Teaching sessions for staff



#### Building up a change package





#### **PDSA - Respiratory Warrant of Fitness**

- Change idea: Develop a checklist as a tool for conducting patient education session
- Questions: is checklist helpful (staff perspective), is respiratory WoF helpful (patient perspective), length of time for respiratory WoF
- Prediction: feedback from staff and patient to help improve the checklist (addition/removal), length of time will be 20 minutes for respiratory WoF
- Measures: time, patient satisfaction score



# PDSA - Respiratory WoF (Version 1)

#### **Respiratory Warrant of Fitness**

Patient name:	
Patient NHI:	
Patient phone number:	
	Consent for MUR
	ACT completed (current state)
	ACT completed (goal)
	Monthly phone call follow up
	Spacer
	Inhaler technique
	Preventer usage
	Preventer – rinse mouth
	Reliever usage
	Asthma Action Plan
	Sports – remember to bring reliever
	Allergy/trigger control
	Delivery services
	Repeat reminder system
	Flu vaccination
	Pamphlet for Breathe Hawkes Bay
	Referral to Breathe Hawkes Bay
	Smoking cessation for whanau





## PDSA - Respiratory WoF (Final Version)



#### **Respiratory Warrant of Fitness Checklist & Consent Form**

Patient Name:	Address:
Phone Number:	Ethnicity:
DOB:	NHI Number:
GP Name:	GP Address:
GP Phone Number:	

Do you have asthma?	Y/N
If "No" then can still do education but cannot be a part of the project	
Are you willing to take part in the project?	Y/N
Verbal consent is acceptable	
Are you happy for one of our staff to follow you up monthly with a phone call?	Y/N
Phone call reminder to collect repeats and quick follow up on progress	
If "No" then can still do education but cannot be a part of the project	
What is your current Asthma Control Test score?	Score =
Explain what the ACT is and If not already completed then complete	
("ACT gives us an idea of where your asthma control is at right now")	
What is your goal Asthma Control Test score?	Score =
(your ACT goal is where you would ideally like to see your asthma control at")	
Do you have a spacer to use with your inhaler(s)?	Y/N
If "No" then provide and demonstrate use when discussing inhalers	
Why a spacer is required – increases effectiveness of medication	Spacer provided
How to wash spacer – weekly in warm water with mild detergent and air day	Y/N
Replaces spacer annually	
How to store inhaler within spacer (caution with valve)	
Do you use a preventer inhaler?	Y/N
If "yes" or they should be using a preventer then do education (see next page)	
Do you use a reliever inhaler?	Y/N
If "yes" or they should be using a reliever then do education (see next page)	
Have you had the flu vaccination this year?	Y/N
If "No" then encourages to get funded flu vaccination through GP if eligible	
<ul> <li>individuals aged 6 months to under 65 years who have asthma and are on regular preventive therapy</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Children aged 6 months to under 5 years who have been hospitalised for respiratory illness or have a history of significant respiratory illness)</li> </ul>	
Do you or anyone you live with currently smoke?	Y/N
If "yes" then offer smoking cessation advice	



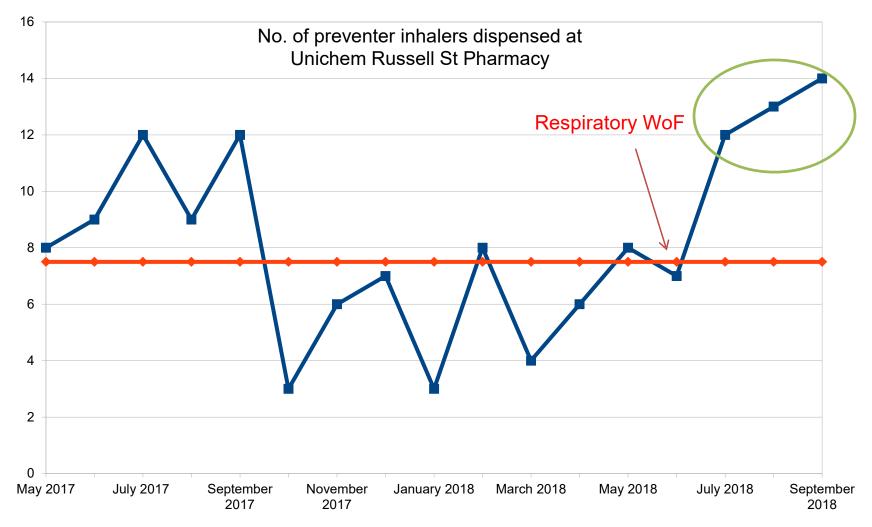
#### **Respiratory Warrant of Fitness Checklist & Consent Form**

Inform	ation checklist for patient	Completed √
Prever	iter	
	Explain what preventer inhaler is	
	Adherence/usage	
	Check technique +/- spacer – 1 puff 6 breaths	
	Rinse mouth and spit out	
	Provide written information if needed	
•	Wash inhaler weekly - remove cap and metal canister, rinse mouthpiece and cap under warm water, shake off and allow to air dy then put the metal canister and cap back on	
Reliev	er	
•	Explain what reliever inhaler is	
•	Check technique +/- spacer	
•	Check frequency of use (if using often then discuss review by GP for asthma management)	
•	Provide written information if needed	
•	Wash inhaler weekly - remove cap and metal canister, rinse mouthpiece and cap under warm water, shake off and allow to air dy then put the metal canister and cap back on	
Tips (w	here appropriate)	
•	Sports – remember to bring inhaler	
•	Trigger identification (eg stress, change of environment, animals, cleaning products, Mould spores)	
•	Allergy control	
•	Ensure have extra inhaler so does not run out unexpectedly	
•	Reduce exposure to germs	
•	Delivery services	
•	Repeat reminder system	
•	Offer symptom diary	
•	Asthma action plan – encourages appointment with GP/respiratory nurse to complete one if patient does not currently have one	
Further	education (where appropriate)	
•	Smoking cessation (for patient and/or whanau)	
•	Discuss referral to Breathe Hawkes bay or Respiratory nurse champions	
	Action: Referral to	
	(tick when completed)	
Others	notes or interventions completed:	
Questi	ons answered by (patient or guardian name):	Date:

Date completed:	
Completed by - Name of pharmacist:	
Time taken to complete:	
Place of conduct (eg pharmacy, via phone):	

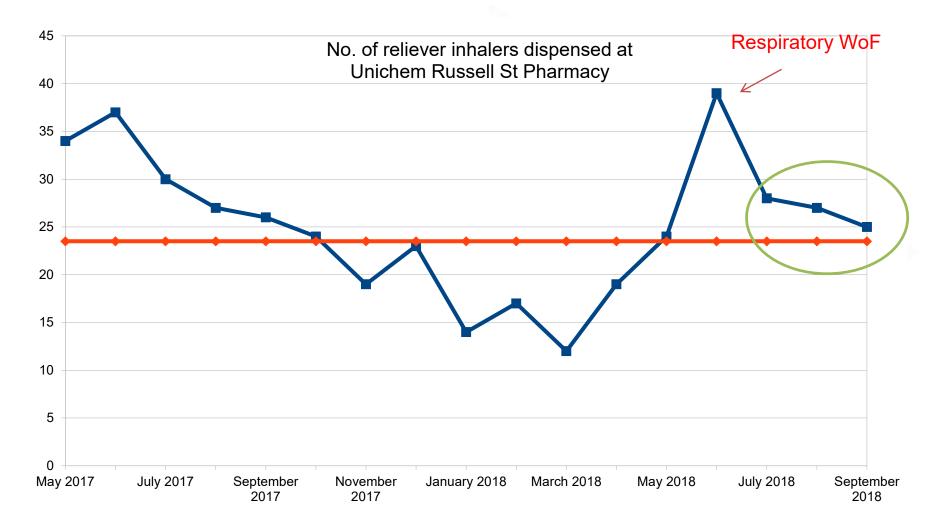






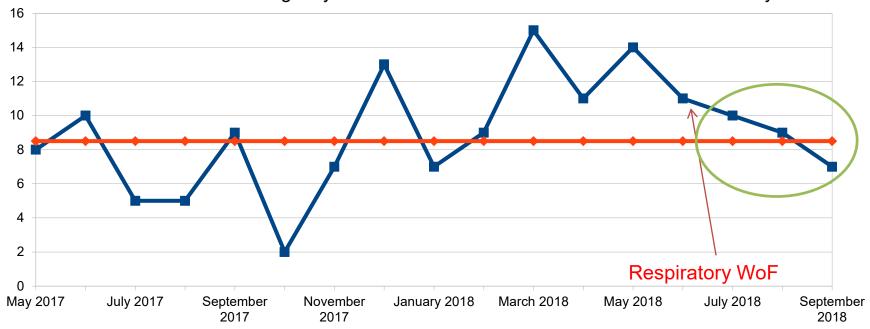




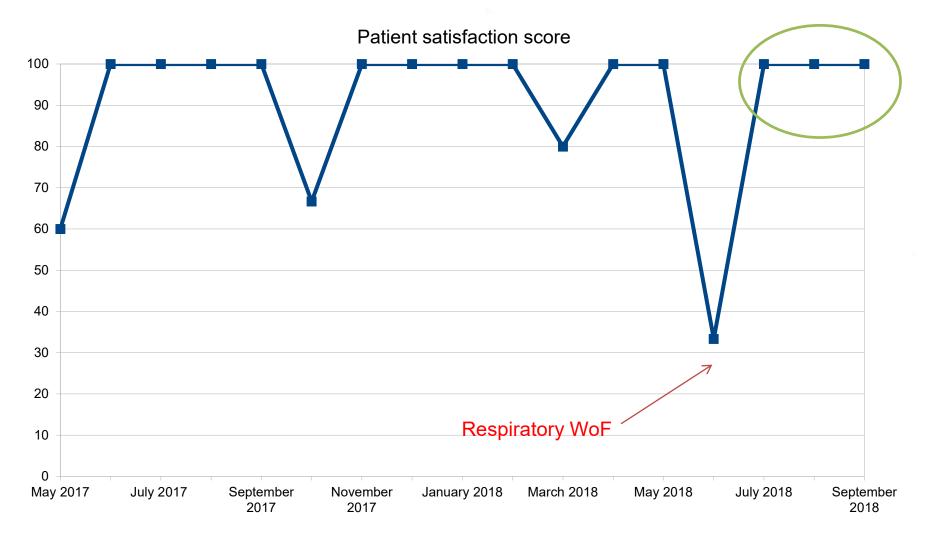




#### Number of Emergency Steroid Collection at Unichem Russell St Pharmacy









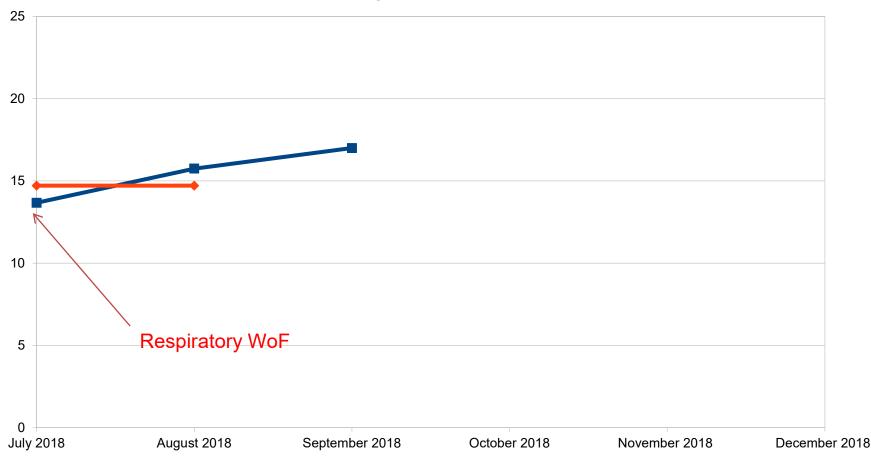






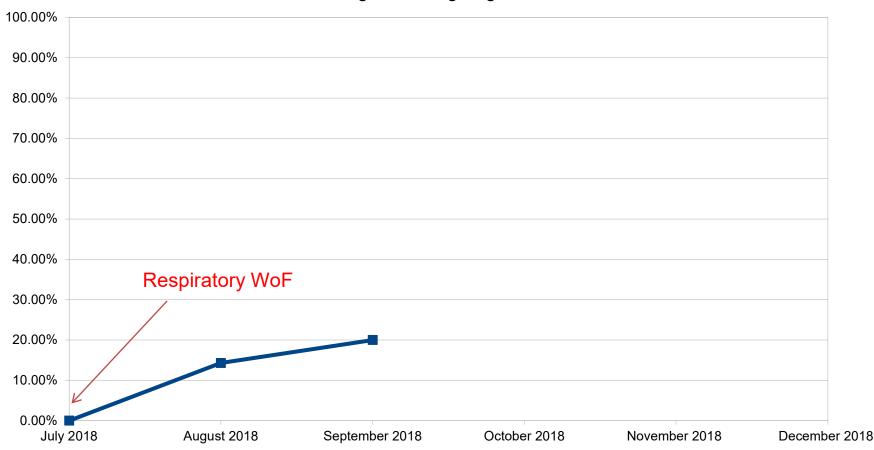


#### Average Patient ACT Score





#### Percentage reaching target ACT score





#### **Change Management – Actions and Plans**

- Spacer and mask availability at pharmacy
  - Easy to implement and continue
- Referral pathway between pharmacy and Breathe Hawkes Bay
  - Implemented and working well
- Respiratory Warrant of Fitness checklist
  - ongoing funding issue
- Teaching sessions for staff
  - Easy to implement



### **NHS Sustainability**

- Individual scores range from 70 to 90 depending on the level of involvement – average 75
- Continuing work on staff level of engagement, spreading and sustaining the changes
- Ongoing work system level and process changes
- Ongoing funding issue



## A Case Study

- 3 year old Johnny\*
- Recently put into Jackies\* care via CYF
- 3 urgent care visits (within 4 months) with 2 courses of prednisone and 2 salbutamol inhalers
- Could not enrol at GP as no passport and birth certificate
- Mum not familiar with asthma

