

Assessment of severity in adults and older children:

Guideline recommendation

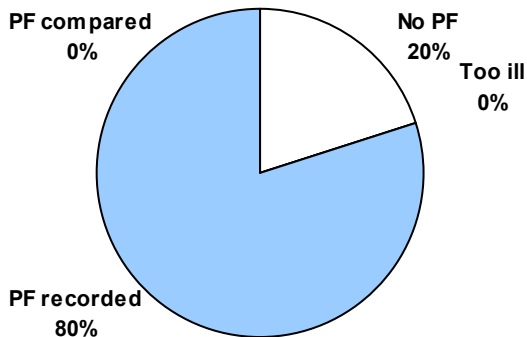
The BTS Guideline advises that the severity of an acute asthma attack should be assessed by recording a peak flow and comparing the reading with the patient's best (or predicted).

Comparison with previous studies

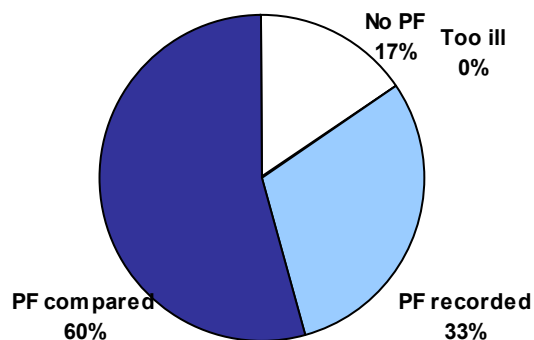
GPIAG National Asthma Attack Audit: Peak flow was recorded in 82% of episodes
Canterbury & Thanet Acute Asthma Audit: Peak flow was recorded in 82% of episodes

Percentage of patients with Peak Flow recorded and compared with best/predicted

Baseline



6 months post-intervention



'Post-intervention' feedback was provided at 6 months for the early intervention group and 12 months for the delayed intervention group. It includes the relevant recommendation from the BTS Guideline, [1] comparative data from published studies.[6] [8] The graphs illustrates the progress made between baseline and the first 'post-intervention' audits.