

Asthma Patients: Your Quick-Relief Asthma Inhaler Is Changing

The medicine in your quick-relief asthma inhaler is staying the same, but the chemical used to “propel” the medicine out of the inhaler is changing. Your current inhaler may use CFCs (chlorofluorocarbons), which are harmful to the Earth’s ozone layer. The government is requiring all inhalers to use HFA (hydrofluoroalkane) as a safe, effective, and environmentally-friendly alternative. It is important to speak to your doctor today about making the transition to an HFA asthma inhaler.



Ask Your Doctor About Transitioning from CFC to HFA Now

- CFC inhalers are harmful to the Earth’s ozone layer – HFA inhalers are not
- CFC inhalers will not be available after December 31, 2008
 - HFA inhalers are available now and will continue to be available after December 31, 2008
- HFA inhalers are as safe and effective as CFC inhalers
- Ask your doctor about financial assistance programs for your HFA inhaler
- Make the switch to an HFA inhaler now and review your overall asthma management plan with your doctor

What to Ask Your Doctor

- What can I do to make the transition to an HFA inhaler now?
- What should I expect from my HFA inhaler?
- Do I need additional maintenance medication to manage my chronic asthma?
- Are my strategies for asthma trigger avoidance up-to-date?

For More Information

For a free brochure about making the transition to HFA quick-relief asthma inhalers and available patient assistance programs for those with financial needs, contact the Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America (AAFA) at:

1-800-7-ASTHMA

or visit

www.transitionnow.org

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