

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_

(Last, First, Middle Initial)

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Medical Case Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Mo/Day/Year)

**Asthma Evaluation Form**  
OMB No.: 0420-0550  
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## ASTHMA EVALUATION FORM

The individual listed above has applied to serve as a Peace Corps Volunteer and has reported having Asthma. This form must be completed by the Health Care Provider (MD or DO as required by State law) who provides, or provided, medical oversight and management of this health condition.

**Note to the Provider:** Please be candid when answering the questions below. During Peace Corps service, a Volunteer may be placed in a site that requires flexibility and physical endurance to adapt to unpredictable housing conditions, climate extremes, and unreliable transportation and to exhibit a heightened awareness for personal safety and increased attention to safe food and drinking water. Walking long distances on rough terrain is not uncommon. There may also be limited access to Western-trained health professionals and medical care. The most accurate representation of this condition is critical for the Peace Corps to make appropriate decisions for placement of the Volunteer. **Please answer all questions or the form will be considered incomplete and returned to the applicant.**

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**I. Symptoms:**

- Wheezing             Cough             Shortness of breath  
 Chest tightness     Increased sputum     Exertional fatigue  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Date the patient first experienced symptoms: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of most recent symptoms: \_\_\_\_\_

To what degree do these symptoms interfere with activity level or work?

- None             Seldom             Frequently

Explanation of above: \_\_\_\_\_

**II. Indicators of Control:**

Has this applicant experienced any of the following within the past five years?

- Yes  No    Nocturnal awakenings            Explanation \_\_\_\_\_  
 Yes  No    Increased need of short-acting beta2-agonists    Explanation \_\_\_\_\_  
 Yes  No    Urgent care/ER visits            Explanation \_\_\_\_\_  
 Yes  No    Life-threatening exacerbations            Explanation \_\_\_\_\_

**(attach discharge summary)**

Smoking history: \_\_\_\_\_

**III. Provocative Factors (triggers):**

- Exercise             House dust-mites             Foods             OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Animal dander     Mold             Weather    Please provide details for each factor checked: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Menses             Viral infection             Pollen            \_\_\_\_\_  
 Emotional stress     Smoke (tobacco/wood)            \_\_\_\_\_

**IV. Classification (please check one of the following categories):**

- Bronchospasm             Exercise-Induced Asthma             Asthma

If this applicant is classified as having Asthma, please indicate the level of severity: \_\_\_\_\_

**Classification of Asthma Severity\***

Check Which Level of Severity Applies	Level of Severity	Days w/Sxs	Nights w/Sxs	FEV1	PEF variability
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mild Intermittent	<2/wk	<2/mo	>80%	<20%
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mild Persistent	3-6/wk	3-4/mo	>80%	20-30%
<input type="checkbox"/>	Moderate Persistent	daily	>5/mo	>60%- <80%	>30%
<input type="checkbox"/>	Severe Persistent	continual	frequent	<60%	>30%

\*National Asthma Education Program, Expert Panel Report "Guidelines for the Diagnosis and Management of Asthma," NIH publication No. 98-4051. 7/97



**V. Treatment within the past five years (please complete table below):**

Name of Medication	Dose	Date(s) Started	Date(s) Finished	# of doses per/mo
Over-the-counter inhalers, e.g. Primatene Mist				
Short Acting Beta2 Agonists - inhalers, e.g., Proventil, Ventolin, Maxair				
Long Acting Beta2 Agonists - inhalers, e.g., Serevent				
Corticosteroids - inhalers, e.g., Azmacort, Flovent, Vanceril				
Corticosteroids - oral/injectable, e.g., Cortisone, Prednisone				
Nebulized inhalers, e.g., Provental, Atrovent, Intal				
Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Agents - inhalers, e.g., Tilade, Intal				
Methylxanthines - oral, e.g., Theophylline				
Leukotriene modifiers, e.g., Accolate, Singulair				
Immunotherapy (allergy shots)				
Other				

Has the applicant ever experienced a more severe form of Asthma?  Yes  No

If yes, when? \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe the optimal asthma management plan for this patient (if different from above regimen): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**VI. Patient Management:**

Does the applicant have a good understanding of his/her respiratory condition?

Yes  No Explanation: \_\_\_\_\_

Can the applicant self-manage daily medications and exacerbations?

Yes  No Explanation: \_\_\_\_\_

Does this applicant own and know how to use a Peak Flow Meter?

Yes  No Explanation: \_\_\_\_\_

Does the applicant have any functional limitations or restrictions due to this condition?

Yes  No

If "Yes" is marked, describe limitations or restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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Medical Case Number:

What specific recommendations for medical care do you have regarding the management for this condition over the next three years? **All recommendations will help determine the Volunteer's country and site placement**\_\_\_\_\_

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Do you have any concerns that would prevent this applicant from completing 27 months of Peace Corps service without disruption because of the applicant's respiratory condition? **NOTE: Peace Corps Volunteers may serve in isolated areas or areas with limited access to Western-trained health care providers and systems. Please check one box below.**

I have no concerns. This applicant, with regard to Asthma, is healthy enough to complete 27 months of uninterrupted Peace Corps service provided the above recommendations for asthma can be accommodated.

I am unsure that this applicant can complete 27 months of uninterrupted Peace Corps service due to Asthma. I recommend a period of stabilization for this condition and an updated assessment at a future date. Describe and include the length of time for stabilization: \_\_\_\_\_

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I do not believe this applicant can complete 27 months of Peace Corps service without undue disruption due to Asthma.

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**I certify this information is, in my opinion, an accurate representation of the baseline status of Asthma for the applicant listed above.**

Physician Signature/Title (MD or DO as required by state law)\_\_\_\_\_

Physician Name (Print)\_\_\_\_\_

Date\_\_\_\_\_Physician License Number/State \_\_\_\_\_

Physician Address\_\_\_\_\_

