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Breathing well report – glossary

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Glossary of key terms in Breathing Well report

Biologics	Biologic treatments for severe asthma are specialist treatments known as monoclonal		
	antibodies or mAbs. Biologics use antibodies produced from cells in a laboratory which		
	can treat some type of severe asthma by helping to stop body processes that cause lung		
	inflammation.		
BPT	Best practice tariff. This is a national price which can be paid to providers to incentivise		
	certain elements of quality care.		
Case	A measure of how many patients were audited against how many patients were treated in		
ascertainment	total.		
COPD	Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.		
Eligible services	Services in England and Wales that offer a respiratory service, or pulmonary rehabilitation		
	service.		
Healthcare	A way to solve a problem within a healthcare setting using specific methodology and		
improvement	tools.		
Health	Avoidable, unfair and systematic differences in health between different groups of		
inequalities	people.		
Integrated care	ICBs are statutory NHS organisations in England which are responsible for developing a		
boards (ICBs)	plan for meeting the health needs of the population, managing the NHS budget and		
	arranging for the provision of health services in a geographical area. There are 42 ICBs in		
	England.		
Local health	Local health boards are responsible for planning and delivering NHS services in their area		
boards (LHBs)	in Wales. There are 7 local health boards in Wales.		

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MDT	Multidisc	ciplinary team, meaning a team made up of different healthcare professions,		
	often fro	om different services or specialities.		
NICE	NICE (National Institute for Health and Care Excellence) is the independent organisation			
	responsi	ble for driving improvement and excellence in the health and social care system.		
	They pro	ovide evidence-base guidance, advice and quality standards.		
	Non-inva	asive ventilation is a breathing support machine sometimes used in very unwell		
NIV	people a	people admitted to hospital.		
NRAP	National	National Respiratory Audit Programme.		
ΡΑΑΡ	Personal	Personalised asthma action plan.		
Participating	Services	Services in England and Wales that input data into NRAP.		
services				
Pulmonary	Pulmona	Pulmonary rehabilitation is a treatment programme for people who become breathless		
rehabilitation	because	because of their lung condition, and it is made up of exercise classes, information, advice		
(PR)	and tech	and techniques to manage breathlessness.		
Tobacco	These ar	e services which provide advice, support and treatment to help people stop		
dependency	smoking			
service				