

Estimated comparative daily dosages for inhaled corticosteroids

Drug	Low daily dose		Medium daily dose		High daily dose	
	Adult	Child*	Adult	Child*	Adult	Child*
Beclomethasone CFC 42 or 84 mcg/puff	168-504 mcg	84-336 mcg	504-840 mcg	336-672 mcg	>840 mcg	>672 mcg
Beclomethasone HFA 40 or 80 mcg/puff	80-240 mcg	80-160 mcg	240-480 mcg	160-320 mcg	>480 mcg	>320 mcg
Budesonide DPI 200 mcg/inhalation	200-600 mcg	200-400 mcg	600-1,200 mcg	400-800 mcg	>1,200 mcg	>800 mcg
Inhalation suspension for nebulization (child dose)		0.5 mg		1.0 mg		2.0 mg
Flunisolide 250 mcg/puff	500-1,000 mcg	500-750 mcg	1,000-2,000 mcg	1,000-1,250 mcg	>2,000 mcg	>1,250 mcg
Fluticasone MDI: 44, 110 or 220 mcg/puff DPI: 50, 100 or 250 mcg/inhalation	88-264 mcg 100-300 mcg	88-176 mcg 100-200 mcg	264-660 mcg 300-600 mcg	176-440 mcg 200-400 mcg	>660 mcg >600 mcg	>440 mcg >400 mcg
Triamcinolone acetonide 100 mcg/puff	400-1,000 mcg	400-800 mcg	1,000-2,000 mcg	800-1,200 mcg	>2,000 mcg	>1,200 mcg

*Children ≤ 12 years of age

Source: "The National Asthma Education and Prevention Program Expert Panel Report, Guidelines for the Diagnosis and Management of Asthma—Update on Selected Topics 2002," National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, National Institutes of Health, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.