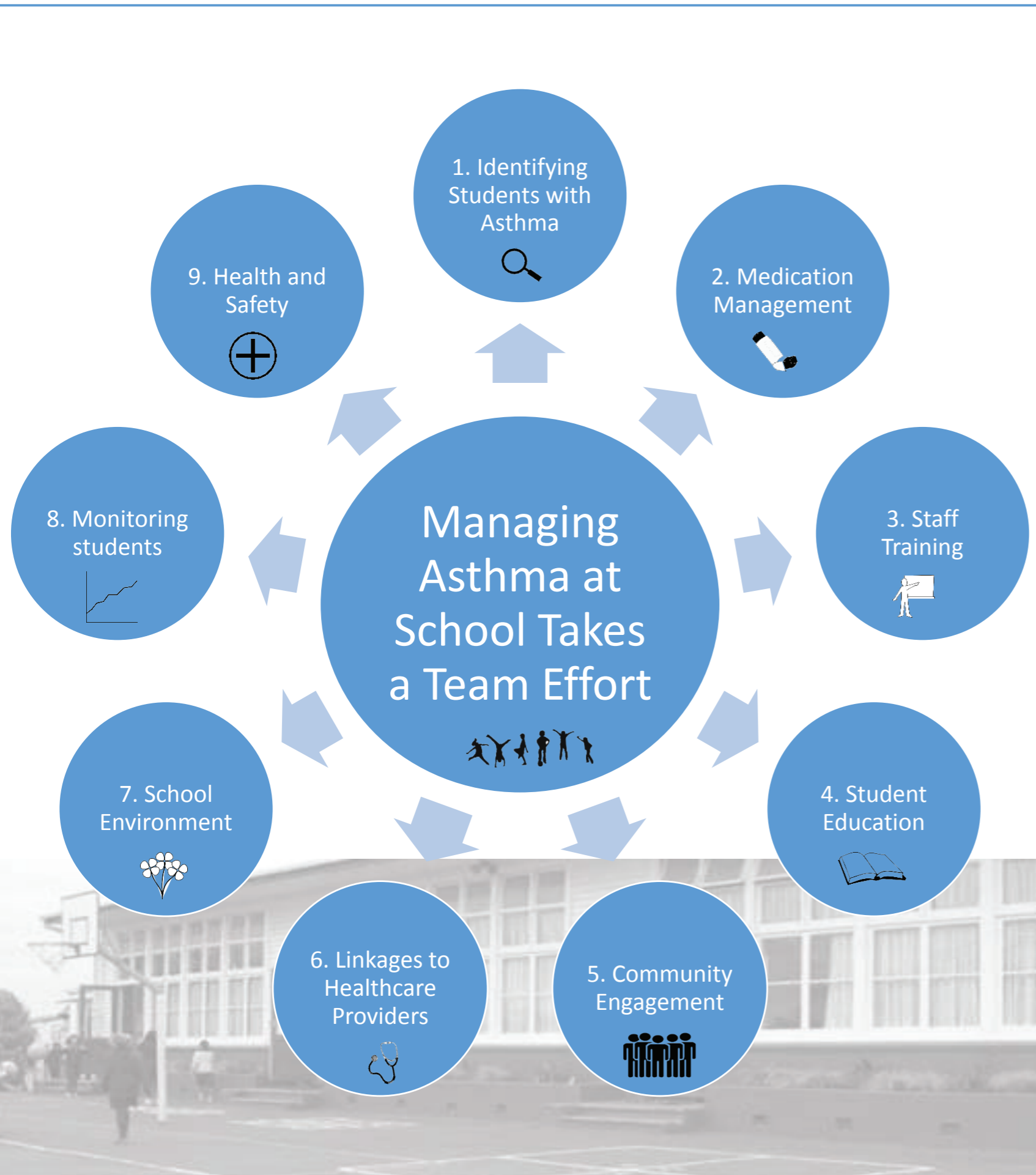


Asthma Management Framework



Key Actions

To maintain the well-being of all students with asthma, we will:

1: Identify Children with Asthma

- Identify and document all students with asthma.
- Update medical documentation annually and encourage whānau to alert the school whenever a child is newly diagnosed or if their asthma severity changes.
- Obtain written permission from parents/caregivers to administer asthma medication (if required). Obtain a copy of the Asthma Action Plan for each child with asthma.

2: Medication Management

- Ensure that students, in consultation with their classroom teacher, have easy access to asthma medication in the classroom and during extracurricular activities.
- Provide and update Asthma Emergency Kits.
- Ensure that school staff are educated on how and when to use the emergency bronchodilator (inhaler) with a spacer device located in the school's Asthma Emergency Kit.

3: Staff Training

- Ensure that all school staff members are educated in acute asthma management by an asthma educator or nurse annually or bi-annually.

4: Student Education

- Promote asthma awareness and knowledge in all students through integrated curriculum learning or homework activities e.g. The Healthy Breathing Booklet.

5: Community Engagement and Education

- Communicate asthma policies and procedures with parents & whānau.
- Offer community based asthma education.
- Encourage effective engagement between our school and whānau.

6: Linkages to Healthcare Providers

- Promote partnership between relevant healthcare providers (e.g. nurses, clinicians).
- Ensure that all students with asthma have a written Asthma Plan signed by their doctor.

7: School Environment

- Recognise potential asthma triggers within the indoor and outdoor school environment and actively seek to reduce or eliminate these allergens and irritants known to exacerbate asthma symptoms.

8: Monitoring our Students

- Monitor the attendance and academic performance of students with asthma.
- Ensure that students with asthma are able to fully participate in all aspects of school life.

9: Health and Safety

- Develop an asthma management policy
- Develop feedback strategies to implement following the event of an asthma emergency.