

## Class 3 IFT-Paramedic Treatment Protocol 3301

**Bronchodilator** 

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Used for the management of reversible lower airway disease, bronchospasms, exacerbations of asthma or COPD, and anaphylaxis.

- A. Perform Class 3 IFTA Protocol 9203.
- B. Treatment:
  - 1. Administer inhaled medications as prescribed by the sending physician.
  - 2. In the event that no inhaled medication is prescribed, consider bronchodilators in **Bronchospasm Protocol 4302**.
  - 3. Document vital signs including pulse oximetry and breath sounds before and after administration of an inhaled medication.
- C. Inhaled medication:
  - 1. **Alupent** (*Metapreterenol*) 0.2 to 0.3 mg/2.5 ml normal saline via nebulizer, over 5 to 15 minutes. May repeat every four hours as ordered.
- D. Intravenous medication:
  - 1. Theophylline IV is a monitor only medication for the BIFT–Paramedic.

    Observe for tachycardia, anxiety, palpitations, chest pain, tremors, and hypotension. Specific dose depends on diagnosis, history, and pertinent lab values and must be set by the sending physician.