

ED discharge summary

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LOGAN HOSPITAL - EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT DISCHARGE SUMMARY

Patient: Daniel Kim

Age/Sex: 34 years, Male

Date of discharge: 18/08/2026

Presenting date: 17/08/2026 (23:10)

Encounter: Emergency department attendance, discharged

Usual GP: Dr Hannah Lee, Daisy Hill Medical Centre

Allergies: No known drug allergies

PRESENTING PROBLEM

Asthma exacerbation - persistent wheeze despite initial treatment.

HISTORY

On 15/08/2026 the patient reported coryza followed by wheeze, night cough and increasing salbutamol use. He was reviewed by his GP on 16/08/2026 with widespread expiratory wheeze but was speaking in full sentences, and was diagnosed with an asthma exacerbation. He was started on prednisolone 40 mg once daily (5-day course) and a budesonide/formoterol inhaler. He re-presented to the emergency department on 17/08/2026 with persistent wheeze despite this initial treatment.

Relevant background: asthma and allergic rhinitis. Works full time; usually uses only an as-needed reliever. No known drug allergies.

ED ASSESSMENT

Improved after bronchodilator treatment. No focal signs of pneumonia. Treated as an asthma exacerbation without evidence of bacterial pneumonia. No oxygen requirement during the attendance.

INVESTIGATIONS

No investigation results were available at the time of discharge.

MEDICATIONS ON DISCHARGE

- Budesonide/formoterol inhaler - 1 inhalation twice daily and as directed for symptom relief (started by GP 16/08/2026; continue)
- Prednisolone 40 mg once daily (started by GP 16/08/2026; 5-day course; continue)
- Salbutamol inhaler as required
- Cetirizine 10 mg as required

No medication changes were made in the emergency department. The GP-initiated regimen is to be continued.

DISPOSITION

Discharged home from the emergency department on 18/08/2026 following sustained improvement. Peak flow had improved from presentation.

FOLLOW-UP

- 23/08/2026 - Inhaler technique and written action-plan review with the practice nurse, Daisy Hill Medical Centre (outstanding).
- 25/08/2026 - GP review following ED attendance, Daisy Hill Medical Centre (outstanding).

SAFETY-NETTING ADVICE GIVEN

Return to the emergency department for inability to speak, cyanosis, or poor response to the reliever inhaler.

Outcome: Discharged home. GP to continue management and arrange early review as above.