

ALLERGIC RHINITIS

Proposed Management of Allergic Rhinitis on Medical Missions in Resource-Limited Settings

Case definition

2 of rhinorrhea, sneezing, nasal obstruction, nasal pruritis **Persistent** if >4 days/week for >4 consecutive weeks **Severe** if sleep disturbance or functional impairment

Clinical management

Education regarding allergen avoidance Clinical assessment for asthma

Pharmacologic management

Oral H1 antihistamine as needed Intranasal beclomethasone 100-400ug (if persistent or severe symptoms)

Allergic conjunctivitis

Intraocular saline

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