

Table 3 Effect of special asthma records on recording of risk factors and of essential data for the management of asthma

Information recorded	Type of asthma record						P-value ^a
	Special (n = 147)		Traditional (n = 65)		Total (n = 212)		
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
Risk factor							
Occupation	99	67.3	0	0.0	99	46.7	< 0.001
History of smoking	84	57.1	0	0.0	84	39.6	< 0.001
Education	76	51.7	0	0.0	76	35.8	< 0.001
History of atopy	52	35.4	0	0.0	52	24.5	< 0.001
Family history of asthma	54	36.7	3	4.6	57	26.9	< 0.001
Trigger factors	54	36.7	1	1.5	55	25.9	< 0.001
Management data							
Diagnosis	138	93.9	51	78.5	189	89.2	0.001
Medication	104	70.7	41	63.1	145	68.4	NS
Health education	79	53.7	0	-	79	37.3	< 0.001
Follow-up	39	26.5	0	-	39	18.4	< 0.001
Management plan	20	13.6	0	-	20	9.4	< 0.001
Monitoring	18	12.2	0	-	18	8.5	0.001
Feedback sheets available	5	3.4	5	7.7	10	4.7	NS

^aChi-squared.

NS = not statistically significant ($P \geq 0.05$).