children in Aseer, south-west Saudi Arabia		
Behaviour item	No. of mothers	% (n = 171)
During asthma attacks		
Give necessary medications	171	100.0
Massage child's chest or back	153	89.5
Let child cough to clear lung from mucus	141	82.5
Let child rest and minimize movements	125	73.1
Wait and see progress of wheeze	112	65.5
Give homemade herbal fluids	59	34.5
Ask for help	50	29.2
Give water or juices	36	21.1
Give child breathing exercises	16	9.4
Prevention of asthma attacks		
Regular intake of medications	171	100.0
Clean house to remove dust	161	94.2

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92.4

77.2

67.8

65.5

43.9

33.3

14.1

Remove aggravating factors from house

Regular practice of breathing exercises

Let child cough to get rid of mucus

Treat common cold attacks

Prevent severe exhaustion

Prevent severe exercise

Let child relax

Table 2 Rehaviours concerning bronchial asthma among mothers of asthmatic