Child asthma treatment: a comparison of 30 EU and EEA countries based on a business model Description

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Background
Asthma is one on the most common chronic disease in childhood. Its diagnosis and treatment is commonly based on the GINA guidelines. However, differences across countries can be detected in the access of services, coordination of healthcare professionals, provision of diagnostics tests, just to mention a few examples. For these reasons, the MOCHA project identified asthma as one of the tracing conditions to be analysed for the comparison and appraisal of existing models of primary care for children among 30 EU/EEA countries. A business process methodology is adopted providing the description of the organization, coordination and delivery of childcare.

Methods
A conceptual framework was developed to capture and single out meaningful parts of the child healthcare pathways to facilitate the comparison between national health systems. It is based on...

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