

# Peri-operative care

- **Pre**operative assessment and preparation
- **Post** operative care



# Pre-operative Assessment and Preparation (A&P)

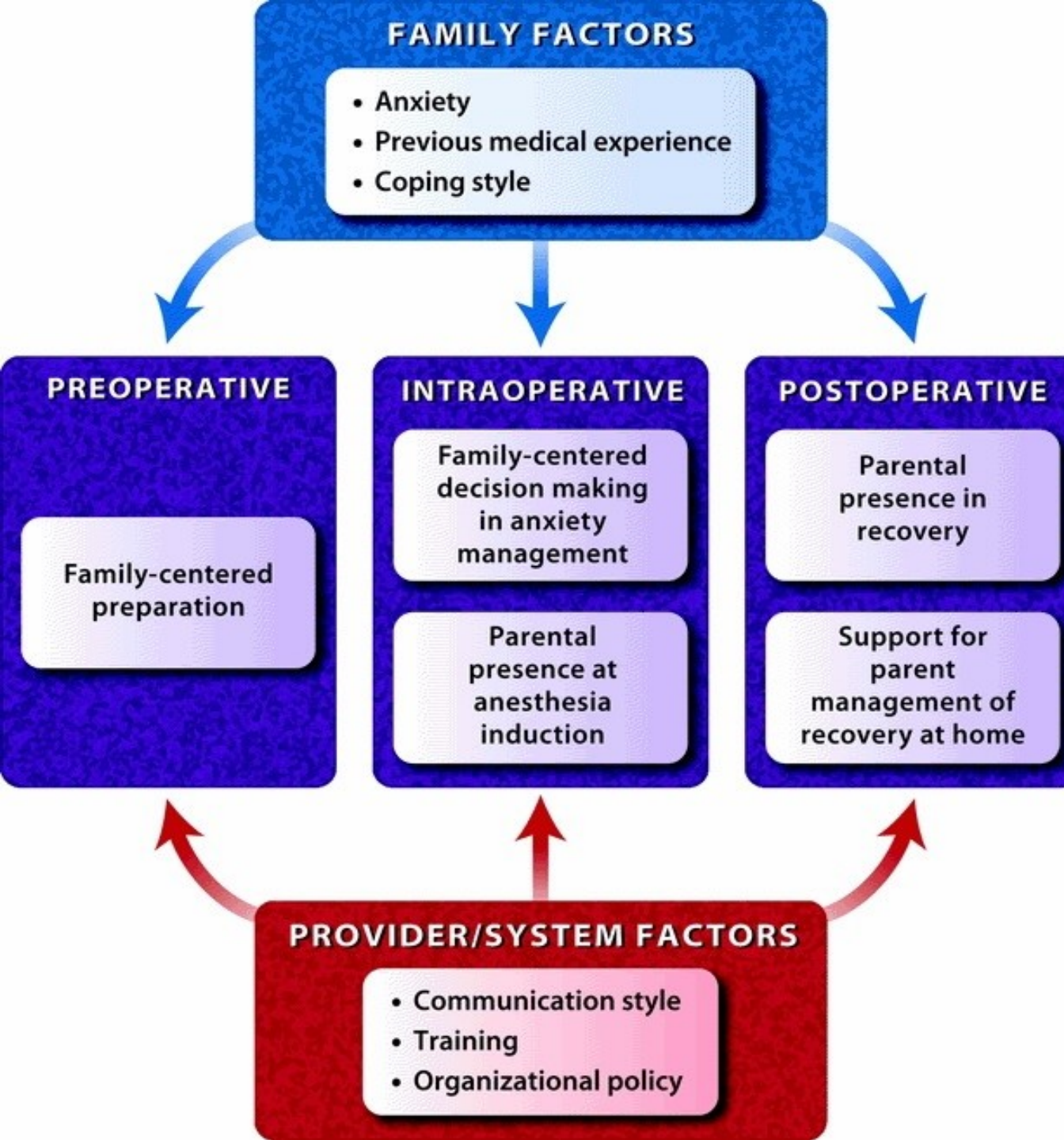
“medical fitness”

“ medical clearance!! “

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Pre-operative care : is an interaction between family and health provider

# :Symposium topics

- **Introduction : effects of GA**
- **Pre-operative ; general Assessment and preparations**
- **Special conditions**
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## Two so important points:

- Pre-op **planning** is crucial
- **Miscommunication** →  
mis-understandings →  
inappropriate care

the **most common** cause of  
anesthetic complications is  
The inadequate **preoperative**  
assessment and planning.

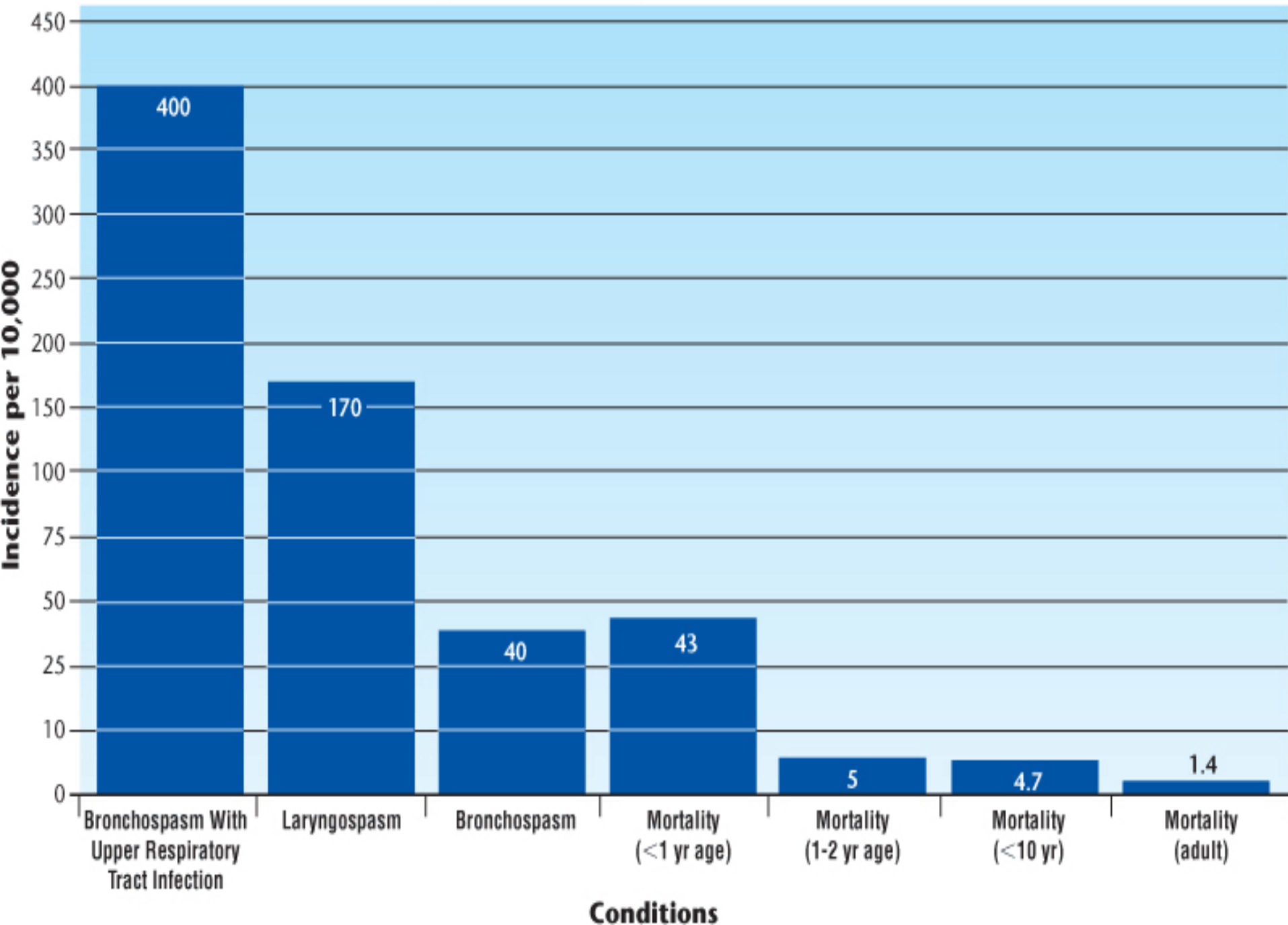
**Is this operation  
really indicated  
??**

**e.g. tonsillectomy**

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**It is a real  
problem !!  
..Dr. faisal**

# Morbidity and Mortality from Anesthesia in Children





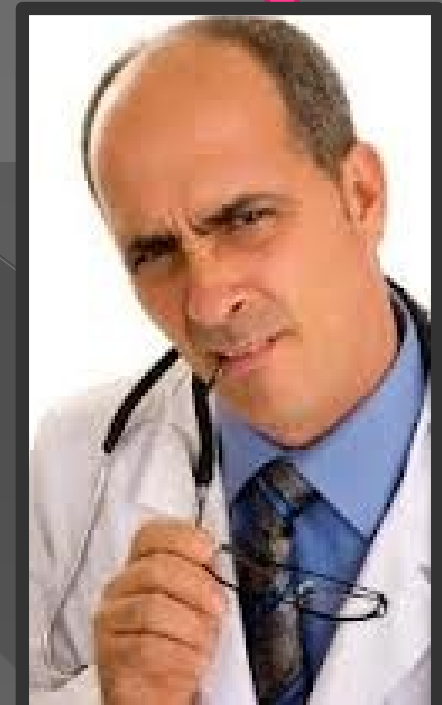
# Pre-operative A & P

Think  
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Is the function of  
..... ?

Two parts

1. general
2. special



# Methods of assessment

1. History and examination
2. Investigations
3. Consultations
4. ASA Classification
5. □ 3 decisions ,Realistic proposes (Un-avoidable problems) and the best practice .

- **pre-op preparations:**

1. Pre-operative **preparation**(general) and **Pre-medications** .
2. Informed **Consent** .
3. **Documentations** .
4. **Ethical** issues

# I. History (COMP FREE)

- 1. **C**urrent problem (see later )
- 2. **O**ther known problems(e.g. Dental condition (loose or cracked teeth, see later)
- 3. **M**edication history  
Allergies(latex, iodine,...), Drug intolerances, Present therapy (Prescription & Nonprescription ), Non-therapeutic ( Alcohol, & Tobacco), Illicit
- 4. **P**revious anesthetics, operations, and, if applicable, obstetric history and pain history
- 5. **F**amily history(complications with op.).

# 1. History; cont

- 6. **R**eview of organ systems
  - General (including activity level)
  - Respiratory, Cardiovascular, Hematological, Neuro-Muscular, and Endocrine,
- 7. Last oral intake(**E**ating /drinking)



## II. Physical examination

1. Vital signs (stability ) = four or five !!  
and general Ex.(dysmorphism)  
Including anthropometric meas. On app.chart
  2. Airway (difficult ETI =LEMON Law)
  3. Heart
  4. Lungs
  5. Extremities
  6. Neurological Ex.
- **Crucial for pre-op anesthetic plan**



# III. Laboratory evaluation



- Routine (or basic) lab ?
  - No routine in **healthy well-followed** child !!
- Special conditions
  - Hb** For :susp.anemia, <6months ,ch. Illness , or no routine test
  - Grouping** and cross.m: potential of B.trans. need
  - bleeding profile** : potential risk of intra operative bleeding (bleeding Hx, type of op. ..)
  - Viral markers** ?: potential of B .trans, or intra op.T
  - RFT, LFT, SE, RBS, CXR, UA ,pregnancy t., pul.FT.....**  
When clinically indicated

# III. Laboratory evaluation

- **Therefore** when there are no *routine follow up* of *well child* these laboratory evaluation may considered as routine (even though -scientifically- no routine tests approved )
- **Hb (CBC?), Grouping and cross-matching , bleeding profile, viral markers and some times CXR .**

# iv. Consultation



- Medical specialist (internist/pediatrician) & Anesthesiologist
- Pulmonologist
- Cardiologist
- Endocrinologist
- Nephrologist
- Hematologist
- E.T.C. ....



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# Box 62-2 Critical Information Frequently Omitted in Pediatric Primary Physician Preanesthetic History and Physical Examinations

Weight

Blood pressure

Room-air oxygen saturation or saturation with baseline oxygen supplementation

Allergies (drugs and latex)

Cardiac murmur history

Previous subspecialty encounters: findings, recommendations, and interventions

Medications

Extent of neuromuscular disease (eg, hypotonia)

As well as reasonable pre-operative **explanation** for the pt and families

# ASA classification of physical state

1. Class 1: **Healthy** patient, no systemic disease
  2. Class 2: **Mild** systemic disease with **no** functional limitations (mild chronic renal failure, iron deficiency anemia, mild asthma ,..... )
  3. Class 3: Severe systemic disease with **functional limitations** (hypertension, poorly controlled asthma or diabetes, congenital heart disease, cystic fibrosis)
  4. Class 4: Severe systemic disease that is **a constant threat to life** (critically and/or acutely ill patients with major systemic disease)
  5. Class 5: **Moribund** patients not expected to survive 24 hr, with or without surgery
- Additional classification: “E”—**emergency** surgery

# THE DECISION MAKING and Realistic proposes

After  
complete  
general &  
specific  
assessme

- **Risks vs benefits & conseq.:** **three** **nt**  
**decisions**
  1. **DO** : No apparent contraindications for GA
  2. **Postpone !!elective** operation to :  
treat **curable** disease that may affect the  
patient adversely e.g. sepsis  
Stabilize **in-curable** disease e.g. asthma
  3. **Do with cautions** :
    - \* Emergency operation for life threatening  
condition can't postponed □
    - \* Stable **in-curable** disease □

Use the  
**best**  
**practice**

# What we mean by ?? the best practice



- **anticipate** the complications.  
(pre, intra, and post operative )
- **Prepare** to deal with expected complications .
- **Preventive** measures - if applicable -.
- Take **high risk** consent – if applicable-.
- Use the **safest** approach/ drug according the underlying condition.

# The main Aim

- **healthiest** possible condition **before** surgery



# Pre-operative preparation

Did you get the answer??r

**Two** steps  
( PCP **and** op. team  
**±** consulted specialty

What looks **stable** at op time could have **bad** back ground disease with PCP evaluation



# General pre-op. Preparations1

1. Adequate **psychosocial** family/patient **preparation** by child's **PCP** .
2. The **informed consent** (or high risk consent)

## Guidelines for preoperative fasting (2-4-6-8 rule) table 70-10 nelson 19<sup>th</sup>

Oral intake	Time before op (hrs)
Clear, sweet liquids	2
Breast milk	4
Infant formula, fruit juices, gelatin	6
Solid food	8

These are general guidelines and **may differ** among hospitals.



# General pre-op. Preparations

## 2

- Operation team assessment **at the day of op** **or** the **day before**
  1. review the PCP fitness and their recommendations , and check pt/family **understanding** and answer their **queries** .
  2. General check up for new events
  3. Rapid exam .... Vital signs (check and record) including pre-op O2 saturation and involved system .
  4. **communications** between all specialties



# Pre-medications

- **No routine** pre-medication but on demand
- Sedation for frightened child
- Antibiotics for SBE prophylaxis ....
- Extra-preparation , chick NPO order
- ...etc



**Anesthesia**  
**What to Expect**





# Informed Consent



- **Explain** the procedures (what & why) and the expected complications , Explain the alternatives and their complications and if not
- **Discuss** openly :decide with the patient and their family if the **risk/benefit ratio** favors the intervention.
- Check **understanding**
- Give **time** for thinking
- **Read** the consent and explain any jargons
- **Sign** by the competent/authorized person
- **Thanks** and give chance for **fallback** .

# Documentation

- Document all stages **at time**  
- even what seems errors !!- .
- The **complete** file is the best **defense** .
- **Formal** Vs informal
- **Ethical** issues ....



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# Obligated to remember these statements

1. A **simple** non-worrisome disease may be **fatal** in the peri-operative pt e.g. URTI.
2. **Mis-communication** □ inappropriate care
3. The relative(or Pt ) must **participate** in :  
benefit-risk-consequence decision
4. Any difficult .... □ ... **consult**



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**Thanks for all**



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## **Common Outpatient Surgical Procedures**

### **GENERAL SURGERY**

Femoral, inguinal, and umbilical herniorrhaphies

Lymph node and other diagnostic biopsies

Central line insertion

Fistulotomy

### **GENITOURINARY SURGERY**

Orchiopexy, hydrocele

Circumcision

Hypospadias repair

## **OTORHINOLARYNGEAL SURGERY**

Myringotomy and tube placement

Adenoidectomy (children >2 yr)

Tonsillectomy (children >3 yr)

Bronchoscopy

Tympanomastoidectomy

Tympanoplasty

Endoscopic sinus surgery

Cochlear implant

## **OPHTHALMOLOGIC SURGERY**

Strabismus

Examination under anesthesia

Cataract

Eyelid repair for ptosis

## **ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY**

Tendon lengthening

Cast changes

Fracture reductions

Arthroscopy

## **PLASTIC SURGERY**

Cleft lip repair

Hand surgery

Rhinoplasty

• أمثلة واقعية  
• حلها في المحاضرة القادمة

# Practical example 1

- 4year -old –male child present for pre-op evaluation because he will undergo **orchiopexy** , during assessment you find the following : hospital delivery at about **31weeks** gest. age with P/H of **reactive** airway disease and **recently** treated from LRTI and improved but still there are **residual** wet coughing and wheezing, O2 saturation on room air is **92%** .
- **What is your decision ? Is he fit for GA??**

# Practical example 2

1. 12years **Asthmatic** pt who control his asthma symptoms well by oral theophylline is candidate for tonsillectomy for rec.septic tonsillitis .  
□ **What** you must do to prepare the pt for operation ?.
2. 2.post anesthetics **apnea in PT**: is it serious ?, and from where it originate ?  
Is it preventable or just monitored ??