## International comparison of the quality of severe asthma care: The audit in numbers



## white papers

- Severe asthma care and treatment: Indicators and data for performance management across ten countries
- Treatment gaps in severe asthma across nine OECD countries and recommendations for addressing them: an international survey of clinicians

## Key findings

- Limited data on performance in severe asthma treatment and care
- Significant differences in clinical practice across and within countries
- Limited improvements in patient outcomes despite advances in treatment
- Lack of national strategies, plans or quality standards focused on severe asthma
- Inconsistent approaches to referrals and diagnostic pathways

## **Proposed solutions**

- Build a strong technical infrastructure
- Enable effective and regular data collection
- Identify appropriate metrics to measure performance management
- Redefine the key goals of severe asthma management and care to prompt referral to specialist care and minimise adverse effects of treatments
- Perform regular and systematic assessments of asthma management, and care delivery
- Involved people living with severe asthma, physicians and other stakeholders in the assessment of care delivery



