

Xolair is a prescribed medication for people who are 12 years of age and above, have moderate to severe persistent asthma, asthma that is triggered by year round allergens in the air, or continued asthma symptoms even though they are taking inhaled steroids.

Breathing in year round allergens causes the body to make an increased number of IgE proteins in the blood stream. These particles are involved in the allergy response which then injures the airways and nasal membranes and can cause asthma attacks. Xolair is a medication causes the IgE proteins to clump together and stop working. They are removed from the body slowly, and the allergy response goes away. This helps in patients with moderate to severe allergic asthma.

The medication is given as a shot and will be given either every 2 weeks or every 4 weeks as your doctor determines. Side effects and other medication concerns should be discussed with your doctor.

The following is the link to the Xolair medication home page.

<http://www.xolair.com/index.jsp?hl=en&q=xolair>