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Providers' Best Practices Update: Asthma and COPD

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Summary: Management of COPD & Asthma

- Epidemiology Trends for Asthma and COPD
- Definitions and Diagnostic Concerns
- Updates with the Management Guidelines
 - Similarities and Differences
- Treating Exacerbations of Asthma and COPD
- Novel Therapies for Asthma
- UC Davis Asthma and COPD Management Programs

Asthma in the Developed World, 1990-2008



Anandan et al. Allergy 2010

Global and regional trends in COPD mortality, 1990–2010 Burney et al. ERJ 2015



The Soaring Cost of a Simple Breath, NY Times October 12th, 2013

40 million asthmatics in US; Asthma Costs are \$56 billion/yr



The New Face of COPD

30 million COPD patients in US; COPD costs are \$49 billion/yr





http://www.cdc.gov/tobacco/christy/index.htm

COPD is much larger burden in hospital

- 1.5 million Emergency Department (ED) visits for severe COPD exacerbations in United States
 - 726, 000 hospitalizations annually (48%)
 - 270,000 require mechanical ventilation
 - 120,000 deaths annually CDC, 2000
- 2 million Emergency Department (ED) visits attributed to acute asthma exacerbations annually in United States
 - 500,000 hospitalizations annually (25% of visits)
 - 25,000 intubations annually (5% of hospitalizations)
 - 5,000 deaths annually, majority occur outside hospital

California Department of Public Health, 2010

Measures (All Ages Unless Otherwise Specified)	Black	AI/AN	White	Hispanic	A/PI
Lifetime Asthma Prevalence (p. 31)	20.8%	21.2%	14.9%	10.0%	12.1%*
Current Asthma Prevalence (p. 31)	13.0%	15.6%	9.0%	5.9%	6.5%*
Percent with Well-Controlled Asthma (adults with current asthma, p. 52)	45.8%	52.0% ⁺	54.7%	48.5%	58.1%*+
Asthma ED Visit Rate (per 10,000, p. 114)	157.5	26.9	38.6	43.2	17.9
Medi-Cal Asthma ED Visit Rate (per 10,000, p. 147)	317.0	227.7	164.9	115.1	60.8
Asthma Hospitalization Rate (per 10,000, p. 128)	29.0	4.7	7.6	8.7	6.1
Percent with Repeat Asthma Hospitalizations (p. 140)	18.8%	4.3%	11.3%	8.9%	10.5%
Medi-Cal Asthma Hospitalization Rate (per 10,000, p. 151)	63.0	31.1	25.3	19.5	17.4
Asthma Death Rate (per million, p. 161)	32.7	6.8	11.5	9.0	15.2*

Summary of Asthma Measures by Race/Ethnicity

* Asian only (does not include Pacific Islanders)

+ Unstable estimate - please note the wide confidence interval (see Technical Notes for details).

Age-Adjusted Asthma ED Visits per 10,000 California Residents by Race/Ethnicity and Age, 2010

Racial disparities persist across all ages, with Blacks having asthma ED visit rates that are 3–5 times higher than Whites. In the 65+ age group, the A/PI rate is slightly higher than among Whites, whereas their rate is much lower than Whites in all of the younger age groups.



California Department of Public Health, 2010



Medi-Cal Asthma Hospitalizations per 10,000 Continuously Enrolled Beneficiaries by Age and Race/Ethnicity, 2010

ACOS: Asthma COPD Overlap Syndrome

Zeki et al. J Asthma 2011; Louie et al. 2013





Definition of COPD



A chronic inflammatory disorder of the airways in which many cells and elements play a role

Chronic inflammation leads to an increase in airway hyperresponsiveness with recurrent episodes of wheezing, coughing, and shortness of breath

Widespread, variable, and often reversible airflow limitation



COPD : ATS/ERS Definition

- "COPD is a preventable and treatable disease state characterized by airflow limitation that is not fully reversible. The airflow limitation is usually progressive and associated with an abnormal inflammatory response of the lungs to noxious particles or gases, primarily caused by cigarette smoking. Although COPD affects the lungs, it also produces systemic consequences."
- Progressive disorder even when contributing factors are eliminated and aggressive therapy is instituted

American Thoracic Society 2004 www.thoracic.org/sections/copd/resources/copddoc.pdf

Asthma, or COPD or ACOS



59-year-old man

- □ FEV₁ 69% predicted
- Current smoker
- Productive cough in the morning
- No longer can walk up stairs
- Osteoporosis, coronary artery disease



42-year-old woman

- FEV₁ 66% predicted
- 10 pack-year history of smoking
- Increased shortness of breath when gardening
- ? Osteoporosis, coronary artery disease

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Zeki et al. J Asthma 2011; Louie et al 2013

Louie et al.

Major criteria:

- 1. Physician diagnosis of asthma and COPD in the same patient
- 2. History or evidence of atopy—such as hay fever and elevated total IgE
- 3. >40 years old
- 4. Smoking >10 pack years
- 5. Post-Bronchodilator FEV1 < 80 % predicted and COPD per GOLD definition.

Minor criteria:

- 1. ≥15 % increase in post-bronchodilator FEV1 or
- 2. ≥12 % and ≥200 ml in post-bronchodilator FEV1

California Department of Public Health, 2010

Percent of Adults Ever Diagnosed with COPD, by Asthma Status and Age, California 2009

Adults with current asthma are almost 8-10 more likely to have COPD than adults who have never had asthma.*

*Chi-square p<0.01 for all age groups



Atopic March—Allergic airway inflammation may begin in the skin and intestine.



The Hygiene Hypothesis

Busse et al. NEJM 2000



Neither asthma nor chronic bronchitis is a single disease. It is a spectrum of airway disorders with common features.



What happens to the airway over a lifetime?



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Asthma versus COPD: Pathobiology



IL = interleukin; TNF = tumor necrosis factor.

Adapted from Global Initiative for Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease. http://www.goldcopd.org/Guidelineitem.asp?I1=2&I2=1&intId=989. Accessed November 21, 2008.

COPD: Yes, there is bronchodilator reversibility.

Short- and long-acting bronchodilators

- May improve airflow obstruction and lung volumes²
- Play a central role in the treatment of COPD²



~54% of patients met ATS responsiveness criteria (≥12% + ≥200 mL)²

1. Tashkin DP, et al. *Eur Respir J.* 2008;31(4):742-750. 2. Global Initiative for Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease. http://www.goldcopd.org/uploads/users/files/GOLD_Report_2013_Feb20.pdf. Accessed August 6, 2013.

COPD : Early Diagnosis Difficult

Significant Drops (50%) in Lung Function Are Often Required for Patients to Become Severely Symptomatic



Disability

COPD : What do patients die from?



* Restricted category defined by FEV1/FVC > 0.70 and FVC < 80% predicted

Mannino DM et al. *Respir Med.* 2006;100(1):115-122. Global Initiative for Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease (GOLD) Executive Summary. Updated 2009. http://www.goldcopd.com.

COPD : Spirometry = Severity

Post-bronchodilator $FEV_1/FVC < 0.70$ supports a COPD diagnosis Post-bronchodilator FEV_1 % predicted determines severity:

GOLD 1: Mild	$FEV_1 \ge 80\%$ predicted
GOLD 2: Moderate	$50\% \leq \text{FEV}_1 < 80\%$ predicted
GOLD 3: Severe	$30\% \leq \text{FEV}_1 < 50\%$ predicted
GOLD 4: Very Severe	$FEV_1 < 30\%$ predicted

Table adapted from the Global Strategy for Diagnosis, Management and Prevention of COPD 2013, © Global Initiative for Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease (GOLD), all rights reserved. Available from http://www.goldcopd.org.

COPD : WHO/NIH GOLD Guidelines

Figure 5-3-8. Therapy at Each Stage of COPD							
Old	0: At Risk	l: Mild	II: Mo	III: Severe			
			IIA	IIB			
New	0: At Risk	l: Mild	II: Moderate	III: Severe	IV: Very Severe		
Characteristics	 Chronic symptoms Exposure to risk factors Normal spirometry 	 FEV₁/FVC < 70% FEV₁ ≥ 80% With or without symptoms 	 FEV₁/FVC < 70% 50% ≤ FEV₁ < 80% With or without symptoms 	 FEV₁/FVC < 70% 30% ≤ FEV₁ < 50% With or without symptoms 	 FEV₁/FVC < 70% FEV₁ < 30% or FEV₁ < 50% predicted plus chronic respiratory failure 		
	Avoidance of risk factor(s); influenza vaccination						
		Add short-acting bronchodilator when needed					
		Add regular treatment with one or more long-acting bronchodilators Add rehabilitation					
				<i>Add</i> inhaled gl if repeated exa	ucocorticosteroids acerbations		
					Add long-term oxygen if chronic respiratory failure <i>Consider</i> surgical treatments		

Global Initiative for Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease (GOLD) Executive Summary. Updated 2009. http://www.goldcopd.com.

COPD Assessment Scores

mMRC Dyspnea Score

- Grade 0: SOB w/ strenuous exercise
- Grade 1: SOB w/ hurrying on level ground or slight hill
- Grade 2: SOB w/ normal walking >100 meters; slower than others my age
- Grade 3: SOB after 100 meters
- Grade 4: SOB w/ ADLs or leaving the house

How is your COPD? Take the COPD Assessment Test (CAT)

This questionnaire will help you and your healthcare professional measure the impact COPD (Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease) is having on your wellbeing and daily life. Your answers and test score, can be used by you and your healthcare professional to help improve the management of your COPD and get the greatest benefit from treatment.

If you wish to complete the questionnaire by hand on paper, <u>please click here</u> and then print the questionnaire. If you complete the questionnaire on-line, for each question below, click your mouse to place a mark (X) in the box that best describes you currently.



Management of COPD: WHO/NIH GOLD Guidelines

Symptoms: Based on mMRC or CAT scores

Risk: Based on GOLD grades and/or exacerbation history

Spirometric Classification

- Low risk: GOLD grades 1 and 2
- High risk : GOLD grades 3 and 4



Exacerbation history (previous 12 months)

- Low risk: 0 or 1
- High risk: >2 (or any hospitalization due to COPD)

When assessing risk, choose the highest risk according to GOLD grade or exacerbation history. (One or more hospitalizations for COPD exacerbations should be considered high risk.)

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Management of COPD : WHO/NIH GOLD Guidelines



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should be considered high risk.)

Medications listed within each of the quadrants above are not necessarily in order of preference.

CAT=COPD assessment test; ICS=inhaled corticosteroid; LABA=long-acting beta agonist; LAMA=long-acting muscarinic antagonist; mMRC=modified British medical research council; SABA=short-acting beta agonist; SAMA=short-acting muscarinic antagonist Figure adapted from the Global Strategy for Diagnosis, Management and Prevention of COPD 2013, © Global Initiative for Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease (GOLD), all rights reserved. Available from http://www.goldcopd.org.

COPD: The Goals of Care

Reduce Symptoms

- Relieve symptoms
- Improve exercise tolerance
- Improve health status

Reduce Risk

- Prevent disease progression
- Prevent and treat exacerbations
- Reduce mortality

COPD management includes both pharmacologic and non-pharmacologic measures

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COPD: Key Activities

Early and correct diagnosis, i. e. FEV1 % < 70% Staging disease severity, e. g. FEV1 % predicted Phenotyping disease heterogeneity Tobacco smoking cessation Regular exercise and individualized pharmacotherapy Palliative care with COPD action plan Influenza vaccinations annually Preventing acute COPD exacerbations Consultation with pulmonologist in difficult cases Providing education on patient self-management

Adapted after Center for Disease Control & Prevention MMWR 2003; 52 (No. RR-6):1-8

Asthma: The Goals of Care

Reduce Symptoms

- Relieve symptoms
- Improve exercise tolerance
- Improve health status

Reduce Risk

- Prevent disease progression
- Prevent and treat exacerbations
- Reduce mortality

Asthma management includes both pharmacologic and non-pharmacologic measures

Figure adapted from NHLBI. National Asthma Education and Prevention Program. Full report of the Expert Panel: guidelines for the diagnosis and management of asthma (EPR-3), http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/guidelines/asthma/asthgdln.htm

Approach to Asthma: Classifying Control in Patients ≥12 Years

Components of Control		Classification of Asthma Control (Youths ≥12 years of age and adults)				
		Well-Controlled	Not Well-Controlled	Very Poorly Controlled		
	Symptoms	≤2 days/week	>2 days/week	Throughout the day		
	Nighttime awakenings	≤2x/month	1-3x/month	≥4x/week		
	Interference with normal activity	None	Some limitation	Extremely limited		
Impairment	Short-acting beta ₂ - agonist use for symptom control	≤2 days/week	>2 days/week	Several times per day		
	FEV ₁ or peak flow	>80% predicted/ personal best	60-80% predicted/ personal best	<60% predicted/ personal best		
	Validated questionnaires ATAQ ACQ ACT	0 ≤0.75 ≥20	1-2 ≥1.5 16-19	3-4 N/A ≤15		
	Exacerbations	0-1 per year	2-3 per year	>3 per year		
Risk	Reduction in lung growth	Evaluation requires long-term follow-up care.				
	Treatment-related adverse effects	Medication side effects vary in intensity. Level of intensity does not correlate to specific levels of control but should be considered in overall assessment of risk.				

NHLBI. National Asthma Education and Prevention Program. Full report of the Expert Panel: guidelines for the diagnosis and management of asthma (EPR-3) Available at: http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/guidelines/asthma/asthgdln.htm.

Approach for Managing Asthmatics ≥ 12 Years of Age



NHLBI. National Asthma Education and Prevention Program. Full report of the Expert Panel: guidelines for the diagnosis and management of asthma (EPR-3) DRAFT,

How might you differentiate Asthma from COPD?

- Childhood history of asthma
- Family history of asthma
- Atopy: RAST panel and total serum IgE
- Pulmonary Function Test: DLCO
- 6 min walk test: Oxygen saturation
- Methacholine challenge testing
- CXR/ Chest CT scan
- Exhaled Nitric Oxide FeNO

Exhaled breath nitric oxide predicts response to steroids in elderly patients with fixed airflow obstruction

46 patients, >50 yrs of age referred with fixed airflow obstruction. Subjects had bronchoscopic biopsy and HRCT + PFTs.



Stain with anti- EG2 for eosinophil cationic protein

Fabbri et al. Am J Resp Crit Care Med 2003;167:418-24

American Thoracic Society Documents

An Official ATS Clinical Practice Guideline: Interpretation of Exhaled Nitric Oxide Levels (FE_{NO}) for Clinical Applications

Raed A. Dweik, Peter B. Boggs, Serpil C. Erzurum, Charles G. Irvin, Margaret W. Leigh, Jon O. Lundberg, Anna-Carin Olin, Alan L. Plummer, D. Robin Taylor, on behalf of the American Thoracic Society Committee on Interpretation of Exhaled Nitric Oxide Levels (FE_{NO}) for Clinical Applications

THIS OFFICIAL CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINE OF THE AMERICAN THORACIC SOCIETY (ATS) WAS APPROVED BY THE ATS BOARD OF DIRECTORS, MAY 2011

- ATS recommends using FeNO in:
 - diagnosing of eosinophilic airway inflammation
 - determining likelihood of steroid responsiveness
 - supporting the diagnosis of asthma
 - monitoring airway inflammation

AJRCCM Sept 2011





Common Initial Management

Anti-Inflammatory drugs

- ED: IV corticosteroids within 1 hour
 - 120 500 mg/d methylprednisolone
- Inhaled corticosteroids
- Oral prednisone for exacerbation

Bronchodilator drugs

- Short-acting β₂ agonists + ipratropium Chest 1998; 114: 365 Am J Med 1999; 107: 363 Am J Respir Crit Care Med 2000; 161: 1862
- Long acting β_2 agonists + tiotropium

Cochrane Review 2002; (4): AB002178

Not all asthmatics respond the same to steroids. Th2 High vs. Low Phenotype Woodruff et al. AJRCCM 2009



More 'targeted' treatments : Asthma vs. COPD

- Leukotriene antagonists
 - Lipoxygenase inhibitor
 - LT receptor antagonist
- Magnesium
- Omalizumab (anti-IgE)
- Bronchial Thermoplasty
- Roflumilast
- Azithromycin

- Anti-IL5
 - Mepolizumab
- Anti–IL13
 - Lebrikizumab
- Anti-IL4/Anti-IL13
 - Dupilumab





Effectiveness of magnesium sulfate as initial treatment of acute severe asthma in children: a randomized, controlled trial Torres et al Arch Pediatr 2012



	Treatment group n= 76	Control group n= 67	p-value
Need of MV	5% (n= 4)	33% (n= 22)	0.001
Length-of-stay in MV (days) α	3 (1-6)	5 (2-12)	0.087
Total hospital length-of-stay α	7 (3-12)	19 (14-29)	0.046
Length-of-stay in PICU (days) α	2 (1-4)	10 (6-18)	0.0376

Effect of oral magnesium supplementation on measures of airway resistance and subjective assessment of asthma control and quality of life in men and women with mild to moderate asthma: a randomized placebo controlled trial.

Kazaks et al. J Asthma 2010

- OBJECTIVE: To determine if long term(6.5 month) treatment with oral Mg would improve asthma control and increase serum measures of Mg status in men and women with mild-to-moderate asthma.
- **SUBJECTS:** 55 males and females aged 21 to 55 years with mild to moderate asthma according to the 2002 National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute(NHLBI) who used only beta-agonists or inhaled corticosteroids(ICS) as asthma medications were enrolled.
- **DESIGN:** Subjects were randomly assigned to consume 340 mg(170 mg twice a day) of Mg or a placebo for 6.5 months.
- CONCLUSION: Adults who received oral Mg supplements showed improvement in objective measures of bronchial reactivity to methacholine and PEFR and in subjective measures of asthma control and quality of life.

Anti-IgE (Omalizumab)

2003 FDA Approval; JACI 2007 Joint Task Force Report on omalizumabassociated anaphylaxis.



TABLE II. Summary of timing of Xolair (omalizumab)

 adverse reactions

Timing of the reaction	First-third Xolair (omalizumab) dose (no. of events)	Fourth or later Xolair (omalizumab) dose (no. of events)	Total
<30 min	11	5	16
30-60 min	6	1	7
1-2 h	5	0	5
2-12 h	4	1	5
>12 h	3	0	3
Unknown	3	2	5
Total	32	9	41

Bronchial Thermoplasty #2: Left: LLL Untreated, Right: RLL Treated





Effect of roflumilast on exacerbations in patients with severe chronic obstructive pulmonary disease uncontrolled by combination therapy (REACT): a randomised controlled trial.



Prophylactic use of macrolide antibiotics for the prevention of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease exacerbation: a meta-analysis. Ni et al. PLOS One 2015

Forest plot of risk ratios for exacerbations per patient per year treated with macrolides compared with the control.

Study name	Statistics for each study		Rate ratio and 95%	% CI		
	Rate ratio	Lower limit	Upper limit	p-Value		Relative weight
Suzuki (2001)	0.21	0.07	0.64	0.01	←■──	5.47
Banerjee (2005)	3.27	0.53	20.18	0.20		→ 2.37
Seemungal (2008)	0.65	0.49	0.86	0.00		20.91
Blasi (2010)	0.24	0.10	0.59	0.00	←∎──	7.49
He (2010)	0.55	0.31	0.98	0.04		12.98
Albert (2011)	0.83	0.72	0.95	0.01		24.47
Simpson (2014)	0.38	0.14	1.04	0.06		6.39
Uzun (2014)	0.58	0.42	0.80	0.00		19.91
Overall	0.58	0.43	0.78	0.00	•	100.00
					0.1 1	10

Cytokines and Effector Cells of Interest in Asthma



Holgate et al. 2008

Asthma: Genotyping studies have led to new research avenues, but little change in therapeutics, in asthma.

DBB1

DQB1

SELP (0) CCR3 (2) IL1B GATA3 CHRM3 (0) TLR9 (3) DPP10 ALOX5 ST2 (0) IL8 (1) IL5RA IL18 ICOS (0) EDNRA (1) IL5RA IL18 IL8RA (0) UGRP1 (3) TLR6 AICDA MUC7 (0) EDN1 (1) TLR10 VDR PGDS (0) IKAP (2) TLR2 IFNG IL15 (0) FLAP (2) CSF2 PHF11 IRF2 (0) MCP1 (3) IL5 CYSLTR2 IRF1 (0) IFNGR2 (1) IL12B TCRA/D IL3 (0) IL13RA1 (1) TIM1 CMA1 CYFIP2 (0) TAP1 CARD15 GATA3 HLA-G CARD15 HLA-G CARD15 HLA-DPB1 CARH1 TAP1 CCL11 IL12RB1 (0) PAFAH TBX21 SSCE (0) EDN1 STAT3 TIMP1 (0) CCL24 ACE CCL26 C3 CFTR GSTT1	NOD1 FCI CC16 IL GSTP1 AD/ STAT6 NOS1 CCL5 TBXA2R TGFB1	ER1B 4RA AM33
CCL26 C3 CFTR GSTT1 NOS3 MIF		

>100 genes associated with either asthma or atopy

Most genes are related to either Th2 lymphocyte mediated inflammation or • smooth muscle reactivity



Ober et al., Genes and Immunity 2007

The Black Box Warning on β-agonists



"We've got case reports of people dying, clutching their Serevent inhaler. But Serevent is still on the market."

Dr. David Graham, October 2004

Salmeterol Multi-center Asthma Research Trial (SMART)

- Hypothesis: Long-acting β-agonists would decrease nearfatal and fatal respiratory-related events
- Goal: Enroll 60,000 patients

Design: RCT, 28 wk intervention of placebo vs. salmeterol

Interim analysis (25,858 patients)

- Non-significant increase in severe respiratory related events (<1% of subjects) in salmeterol group
- African Americans (17% of those enrolled) there was a significant increase in events (19 vs. 4; RR=4.6)
 62% of African Americans were not on inhaled steroids

Polymorphisms of the β_2 -adrenergic receptor



McGraw et al., JCI 1998

Relaxant and contractile pathways in airway smooth-muscle



Hall Lancet 2004; 363:183-4.



Israel et al. Lancet 2004; 364:1505-12.

Response to bronchodilators by genotype



UCAN Asthma Team (1998-2015)

- UCAN Clinic
 - Two pulmonary asthma specialists
 - Two full time respiratory therapists
 - "UCAN Quit" smoking cessation clinic,
 - Omalizumab clinic
 - Videolaryngoscopy clinic
 - Bronchial thermoplasty program
- Three additional bronchoscopists integrated into the UCAN team specifically to perform BT
- Authorization coordinator
- Bronchoscopy suite: Interventional pulmonary laboratory nurses and respiratory therapists specifically trained in BT

UC Davis Asthma Network (UCAN) clinics (1999-2008)

850 patients--74% Female, mean age 46.3±15.3 58.6% Severe persistent, 33.9% Moderate persistent

ER visits and admissions in the year before and after clinic enrollment



Kivler et al. J Allergy Clin Immunol 2002; 109: S314 Mealey et al. Am J Med 2007

2012 UC Davis ROAD: Inpatient COPD program

COPD hospitalizations increased from 459 in 2009 to 587 in 2011

Average cost per case increased nearly 2-fold from \$14,259 to \$26,355

Average LOS increased from 6.27 to 7.57 days in FY 2011

Total direct cost in FY 2011 for inpatient COPD care was 587 patients = \$15,470,385



COPD Case Management Program

- Registered Respiratory Therapist COPD Case Manager Program at UCDMC (916)762-COPD from 7am-7pm
 - 130 Patients Hospitalized for AECOPD seen by CMs
 - Mean Age: 69 years (range 46-88)
 - Men: **47%**
 - Women: **53%**
 - Patients with Prior COPD Education: 5%
 - Referral Source
 - Referred by MD: 21%
 - Referred by RT: 15%
 - Referred by EMR Screening Tool: 12%
 - Use of this tool after development began 6/30/2012
 - Identified by Case Managers by Dx Code in EMR: 52%

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COPD is Treatable



We know there is no cure for COPD as of yet, but COPD is treatable. By taking your medications as prescribed to help slow the progression of this disease, you can reduce complications, such as an exacerbation. Slowing the progression of COPD can be done by:

Quitting smoking - You can add years on to your life and breathe better during those years if you quit smoking. Continuing to smoke reduces your lung function and can cause bad breathing days or flair ups.

Immunizations - Getting your flu shot and pneumonia vaccine when they are due can prevent respiratory illnesses that can lead to a COPD exacerbation.

Washing your hands - This is another way to help avoid infection. Approximately 60% of COPD exacerbations are caused by some sort of infection. We can reduce our risk by washing our hands as well as not touching our hands to our face. Waterless soap, wet wipes, and hand sanitizer can be kept handy.



Avoiding others who are sick - Staying away from friends and family who have a "cold" will prevent you from possibly contracting whatever bug they may have. When you have COPD, your "cold" can turn into an exacerbation. One week away from family and friends may save you a hospital visit!

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Traveling with Oxygen

It is ok to travel with oxygen. It just requires some planning. It's a good idea to call your healthcare provider before making travel arrangements and obtaining a copy of your oxygen prescription and any other paperwork you may need. Allow for plenty of time to have oxygen delivered, depending on where you are going, and how you plan to travel. Your healthcare provider or medical equipment company will help you with this. Before booking your trip, call the carrier or travel agent to find out the requirements for traveling with oxygen.

By Car

When traveling by car you will want to keep windows cracked for good air circulation. If you are using liquid oxygen, be sure to store the unit upright and secure it with a seatbelt if possible. DO NOT STORE OXYGEN IN THE TRUNK. It is too hot! DO NOT SMOKE or let anyone else smoke in the car.

By Bus or Train

You will likely be able to take your own oxygen delivery system on board, but you will need to call in advance to tell them you are traveling with oxygen. They may need to see a copy of your prescription prior to travel.

By Plane

Oxygen tanks are not allowed on airplanes. Many airlines supply oxygen for a fee. Call the airline well in advance to make arrangements. Keep in mind that airlines may supply oxygen on the plane, but not in the airport. You will need to arrange to have oxygen delivered to your destination, or on hand during a layover. If you are using oxygen at rest, you will need it on your flight. Discuss these travel plans with your doctor and discuss your oxygen use. Different airlines have different requirements, so check with your airline in advance to facilitate your travel.

By Ship

You can likely bring your own oxygen on board the cruise ship, but they may need a letter from your doctor along with a brief medical history and copy of your oxygen prescription. You must arrange for oxygen to be delivered to the cruise ship.



COPD Case Management Program

- COPD Care Coordination and Self Management proves to reduce Healthcare Resource Utilizations and Improve Patient Outcomes
 - Average LOS: 5.4 days
 - Decreased from 7.57 days for FY 2011
 - Projected cost savings of ~ \$7,555 per admission
 - Average Hospitalizations in Past Year: 2.13
 - Bounce Back Rate to Date(<30 days after D/C): 6%
 - Decreased from 16% for FY 2011
 - Projected cost savings of ~ \$1,300,000
 - Readmission Rate (>30 days after D/C): 23% (<u>14 pts total</u>)
 - Deaths After Enrolled In Program: 5
 - Patients Followed by PCP: 85%
 - UC Davis Patients: 60%
 - Patients with Follow Up Visit to PCP after D/C: 77%

COPD : Rehabilitation and Integrated Palliative Care

Who should we refer?

- COPD GOLD Stages II through IV
- Difficult-to-control after rehabilitation
- Oxygen requirement
- ≥ 2 hospitalization for COPD per yr
- BMI < 21 kg/m²
- ICU admission for COPD
- Concomitant CHF
- Presence of anxiety or depression
- Patients unable to meet their ADLs





COPD 2008; 5: 207-220

Clinical Pearls

1. There will be fewer asthmatics and more COPD patients requiring hospitalization in the future.

2. ACOS will continue to be a diagnostic conundrum.

- 3. Therapeutic considerations:
 - Consider magnesium
 - Roflumilast or azithromycin for COPD patients with frequent exacerbations
 - New small molecule therapies being developed for severe asthma

4. We must develop hospital programs to better manage the discharged COPD and COPD patient.

5. Fight the indifference of managing COPD.