

SBAR for COPD Symptoms ~ QC Senior Care Coalition COPD Care Initiative

Situation:

"Hi Dr. _____ this is _____ from _____. I am calling about _____ who is experiencing _____."

Background:

Age: _____ Gender: _____ Code Status: _____ Primary Diagnosis: COPD Other: _____

Recent important events:

Example: Discharged from hospital on _____ (date), treated for _____ (diagnosis)

Current Respiratory medications: frequency of use _____ increase in use _____ (*Review meds, allergies, pharmacy*)

When did symptoms develop? _____ How severe are the symptoms? _____

Change in LOC? ___ Confusion ___ Fatigue ___ Restlessness ___ Anorexia ___ Difficultly sleeping ___ Vomiting ___ Anxious

Assessment: (*Recommend only reporting on primary/abnormal/pertinent data*)

Patient's Assessment:

Vital Signs: Temp _____ Pulse _____ RR _____ BP _____ SaO2 _____ Pain _____ O2: _____ L/min (Intermittent / Continuous)

Breathing Effort: ___ Tripod positioning ___ pursed lip breathing ___ retractions ___ nasal flaring

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Sputum: _____ color _____ consistency _____ amount (increased?) / Cough: _____ frequency _____ purulence description

Lung Sounds/Location: _____ crackles _____ wheeze _____ diminished _____ rhonchi _____ rales

Skin Color: Cyanosis ___ Location _____ Capillary Refill _____ Peripheral Edema: 1+ ___ 2+ ___ 3+ ___ 4+ ___

Interventions implemented & effectiveness of intervention (*note in space below*):

Non-pharmacological interventions: _____

Examples: HOB elevated, spirometry, cough/deep breathing, CPT vest, percussion, oxygen (L/min), bipap, cpap, avap

Pharmacological interventions: : _____

Examples: (include when given, route, dosage): medications, inhalers, nebulizers

Recommendation:

Remember: "We may be able to avoid hospitalization by..." Or "We may be able to treat in house by..."

___ Antibiotic: indicated for increase in dyspnea / sputum volume or purulence

___ Systemic corticosteroid: Prednisolone, oral, 30-40mg, daily for 10-14 days

___ Short-acting bronchodilators:

Change route to via nebulizer / Change frequency to q4hours

Change/Add beta-agonist or anticholinergic to _____

___ Oxygen therapy: Titrate to _____ L/Min to reach O2 sat of _____ (88-92%)

___ Increase visit frequent to _____ to monitor treatment plan effectiveness

Add'l Notes: