

Discharging babies with bronchiolitis from the ED



When to discharge

Rule of thumb: if the child is saturating & feeding well - safe for discharge (Do NOT get hung up on RR)

Persistingly saturating >92% if <6 weeks old >90% if >6 weeks old Adequate oral intake

Aim for: >50% normal intake >3 wet nappies / day

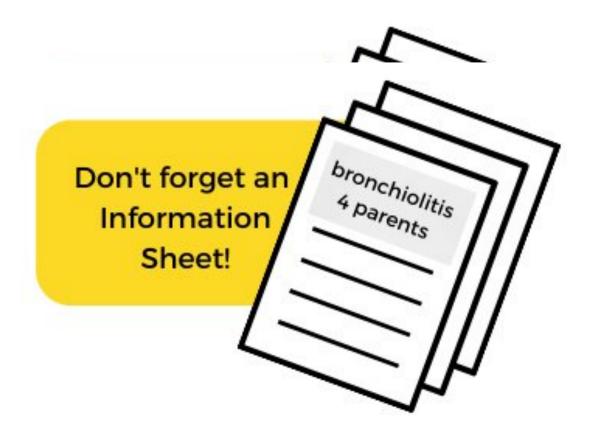
Discuss with paediatrician if any risk factors - Pre-existing lung condition - Immunocompromised -- Congenital Heart Disease - Re-attendance -- Prematurity <35 weeks - Neuromuscular Weakness -

CRITICAL FACTOR = the Parent/Carer

Can they recognise the red flag symptoms? Will they re-present if they are worried? How far away from the hospital do they live? Are they confident with being discharged?

Information upon Discharge





Fluid intake is <50% normal
No wet nappies for 12 hrs
Becoming more fatigued

Come back if these develop!