

Neonatal Managed Clinical Network Scotland

Teaching Package for Home Oxygen for Neonates

BABY'S NAME:
D.O.B:
CHI NUMBER:
CONSULTANT:
HOSPITAL:

Date started: Date completed:

Criteria for home oxygen

Infants need to be feeding independently and have adequate weight gain.

Parents need to provide informed verbal consent following discussions with the neonatal team that they are willing to provide continuing care of oxygen within the community setting with support from health to manage this care.

Infants need to be stable in the flow of oxygen set by Neonatal Consultant with no bradycardias or desaturations requiring adjustment to the set flow. Neonatal Consultant will set the prescribed flow and order the installation of oxygen by completing a SHOOF form.

In the week leading up to discharge, ensure package is completed and that parents are happy with progress and feeling confident regarding assessing their infants respiratory effort and health. Ensure that parents are happy with oxygen equipment and especially changing and securing nasal prongs. Discontinue continuous monitoring

Discharge date to be determined once oxygen has been put into the home by Dolby Vivisol and all relevant parties are informed of the use of oxygen.

Forms to be completed by the ward staff

Name:

HOME OXYGEN DISCHARGE PLANNING CHECKLIST- (to be completed by ward staff)

Address:

COMMENTS

CRITERIA	Sign & Date completed
Oxygen Family know why the child is going home on oxygen	
Oxygen saturation study downloaded to determine flow rate required for safe discharge	
Parents have given verbal consent on home oxygen installation	
Home Oxygen have been requested by Neonatal Consultant (SHOOF) or Neonatal Community Nurses	
Home Oxygen has been installed Yes No	
Portable cylinder brought in from home is on the ward (to travel home on)	
Car Seat challenge completed (at least 30 minutes, saturating >93%)	
Immunisations up to date? Yes No No	
Eligible for RSV Vaccine (Palivizumab)? Yes 🛛 No 🗆	
Home Oxygen Competency document completed by main parent(s)/ carer(s) Date:	
Home Oxygen Escalation Plan has been completed Yes No	
Parent/ carer has "roomed in" and is able to provide 24hrs of continuous care Date:	
Explained to parents that oxygen is a drug, managed as a medication, therefore it must be prescribed. Too much or too little can be dangerous. Unless advised to do so, do not change the flow rate of the oxygen.	
Discharge planning meeting required Yes I No I Date of the meeting:	
Health Visitor informed of discharge: Parents have registered with GP:	
Emergency- check family:	
Had Basic Life Support (BLS) training & demonstrated understanding	

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Date:

NHS Lothian - https://children.nhslothian.scot/departments-
services/? sft_category=emergency

Parents know who to contact when unwell and have correct contact details for
Community Neonatal Outreach Team or Children Community Nurses Team

Has paper copy of Neonatal Discharge Summary and Escalation Care Plan
Yes □ No □
(To be used to present in A&E in event of urgent care)

Discharged on: A

At:

Escalation Care Plan (to be completed by Consultant)

Date:

Patient Details	
Name: Address:	Date of birth: CHI Number:
Telephone number:	
Clinical Team Details	
Named Consultant:	
Local hospital:	
Community Nursing Team:	
Diagnosis	
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Oxygen prescribed: L/min Emergency plan at home: If concerned or unwell with any of the following:

- A high temperature (fever)
- Dry and persistent raspy coughing
- Difficulty feeding / vomiting feeds
- Increased work of breathing / noisy breathing / faster breathing
- Lethargic (quiet / sleeping more than usual / difficult to rouse)
 - If pale or blue / grey, particularly at the lips, call 999 and increase oxygen toL/min while waiting for ambulance
 - If gasping for breath / no breath at all, start basic life support

Parents signature:	
Parents Name:	Date:
Consultants signature:	
Consultant's name:	Date:

Home Oxygen Competency document- COMPETENCIES (to be completed by ward staff)		Achieved Yes/No			Assessor's signature & date	Learner's signature & date
Awareness of why home oxygen is required and understanding of medical condition	 Rationale for home oxygen □ Have read and understood relevant oxygen information booklets - BLISS Going home on oxygen- https://www.bliss.org.uk/parents/going-home- from-the-neonatal-unit/going-home-on-oxygen BLISS Common winter illnesses DolbyVivisol Babies, Toddlers and Children with Oxygen at Home Dolby Vivisol Your Portable Oxygen Cylinder Assessing baby's breathing 					
Awareness of signs of respiratory distress	 Respiratory rate/ normal breathing pattern □ Colour □ Chest movement □ Noises associated with breathing □ Head bobbing □ Recession □ Tracheal tug □ Nasal flaring □ 					
Awareness of deterioration and appropriate actions to follow	 Recognises signs of respiratory distress Aware of escalation care plan - call 999 Aware of appropriate health professionals to contact Aware readmission will be to Children's Hospital (RHCYP) Aware of reasons for potential readmission 					

	COMPETENCIES	Achieved Yes/No	Comments	Review date	Assessor's signature & date	Learner's signature & date
Awareness of health and safety in the home environment	 Flammable issues at home i.e. appliances, candles/naked flames and creams (oils and petroleum jelly) □ Dangers of smoking/ electronic cigarettes □ Pets e.g. chewing on tubing □ Contact Fire Brigade notify of home oxygen and request home safety visit □ Notify your home insurance □ Notify car insurance □ 					
Able to give oxygen via nasal prongs/cannula	 Able to apply nasal prongs correctly Aware of face/nose care Checks nasal prongs daily Can secure prongs using tapes and change weekly Recognises when nasal prongs are blocked and aware of how to troubleshoot Always ensure you have a spare nasal cannula/prong and tapes to secure when travelling in case needing to replace 					
Can safely use and maintain equipment at home	 Aware of the amount of oxygen they are on Aware how to use an oxygen cylinder Knowledge of the appropriate use of the concentrator and when to use cylinders Demonstrate how to OPEN and CLOSE the main cylinder valve Check oxygen cylinder is working Demonstrate how to attach and detach the low 					

	 flow/micro flow regulator to all types of cylinders installed □ Demonstrate how to select the correct flow □ 			
Aware of BLS/Safe sleep	 Aware of safe sleep positioning (parents given Lullaby Trust Safe Sleep for Preterm Infants) Can perform BLS 			
Aware of the ordering process	 Aware of Oxygen Company contact details Aware how to order oxygen Aware if ordering oxygen, a significant amount of time should be allowed 			

Home Oxygen Review Form: Post Discharge from hospital (Home Visit Review completed within 24 hours) – to be completed by Neonatal Community Outreach Team

Name of Child/Young Person:				
Address:				
Date of Birth:	Date of Visit:			
Parent/Carers Presen	t on assessment:			
Property Access				
Oxygen:	□ Installed correctly with correct flow dial			
	 Family aware of child's oxygen requirements and how to escalate (according to plan) 			
	□ Family aware of contact details if equipment or supplies required, i.e. oxygen cylinders, oxygen tubing and length safe enough to move in the room however considering risks of trips/tangle if child is active			
	\Box Frequency and care of nasal prongs or face mask discussed			
	□ Aware how to check oxygen cylinder is working and when to contact oxygen supplier for a refill			
	$\hfill\square$ Check that the oxygen prescription is correct and relates to equipment provided in home			
Emergency:	□ Escalation plan is present in the home and family know to follow it			
	□ Family aware of what to do in the event of an emergency?			
	\Box Understand the signs of a deteriorating child			
	□ BLS completed			
Social Support:	Do the family have a good support network?			
	□ Do they receive Disability Living Allowance (DLA) for children/Personal Independence Payment (PIP) (if applicable)			
	https://www.gov.uk/pip/what-youll-get & https://www.gov.uk/disability-living- allowance-children			
Contact:	□ Do family have correct contact details for Neonatal Community Outreach Team			
	NCOT should visit within 24hours of discharge home			
Follow up	□ SpO2 monitoring at least weekly (please see local policy/ weaning guidelines)			
	\Box Hospital OPA in 4-6 weeks with managing team (BTS, 2009).			

	Developmental team
	Dietician
	□ Other appointments:
Safety	Oxygen stored safely in the home
	□ Reinforce no smoking/open flames
	Ensure fire safety check completed by Fire Brigade
Baseline Observations:	□ SpO2
Observations.	□ HR
	□ RR
	□ Other observations:
Plans for saturation	□ Plan for 1 st oximetry saturation study discussed
monitoring and sleep studies:	
First Home Visit	Name:
Assessment	Signature:
Completed by:	Designation: Date:
Parent/ Carer	Name:
present at first home visit	Signature: Date:
assessment:	

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