# **Department of Pulmonary Medicine**

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Appointment Information:		Ordering Clinician:		
Patient Name				
Date of Birth			Office phone number:	
Date and time of appointment		Office fax number:		
Priority:  Pre-Op  Pre Chemo			Office tax number.	
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Indications:	Specific Orders			Pulse Oximetry Testing**:
□ Shortness of Breath* □ Cough* Sel □ COPD (New Diagnosis)* □ Asthma (New Diagnosis)* □ COPD Follow up* □ Asthma Follow up* □ Methacholine Challenge** □ Risk of / Drug induced Lung Toxicity Amiodarone Chemotherapy, General Bleomycin Methotrexate Radiation reaction □ Other:	DR □ PFT 1 Simple Spirometry □ PFT 2 Pre and Post Spirometry □ Exhaled Nitric Oxide □ Full PFT: Simple Spirometry,		ometry, RAW), DLCO ry, Lung volumes S and MIPS	□ Six minute walk test □ Resting Oximetry □ Exercise Oximetry Titrate oxygen to maintain saturation at%  **Will be done on Room Air unless otherwise specified here: L/pm O2  Teaching: □ Aerobika training, secretion clearance □ MDI with spacer training □ COPD teaching □ Breath Retraining  ABG: □ Room air □ Oxygen: L/pm □ COHb: Hemoglobin saturated with
D				Carbon Monoxide
Diagnosis: Smoking Cessation Counseling				
Physician's Order for Medication:				
*Pre and Post studies: Bronchodilator:  Albuterol 0.083% (2.5mg/3ml) Unit dose via hand held nebulizer.  Other:				
**Methacholine Challenge for Bronchial  Diluent, 0.0625mg/ml; 0.25mg/ml  Duoneb (Albuterol/Ipratropium Albuterol 0.083% (2.5mg/3ml)  Other:	; 1mg/ml; 4mg/ml; 16m Bromide) Unit dose Unit Dose via nebuliz	ng/ml via han er, if ne	d held nebulizer for eeded to bring back	
All Pulmonary Function Testing: Patient must be at least 6 years of age or older. Policy PUL−006 *Methacholine Challenge for Bronchial Provocation:  ■ Must have a Normal PFT at least one (1) week prior to scheduled test.  ■ Patient must be 15 years of age/ 50kg or greater per hospital policy PUL−006.				
Physician's Signature			Date/Time	
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# Ordering the proper PFT for your patient

<u>Directions for Ordering:</u> In general, all you need to do is select an indication and an appropriate test will be performed. Otherwise select a specific test you wish to be performed.

# **Spirometry:**

- Indication: Concerns of airflow obstructions including upper and lower airway obstructions, wheezing, and cough.
- Screening for lung/airway disease (e.g.: exposure to irritants, COPD, and Asthma)
- A post–spirometry study includes the administration of the bronchodilator Albuterol to determine the reversibility of the airway obstruction.
- Simple to perform and especially applicable to determining the effectiveness of inhaled therapy for asthma and COPD patients.

### **Lung Volumes:**

- Indication: determine obstructive vs. Restrictive lung disease or the combination of both
- Performed using plethysmography also called the *Body Box* method
- Includes measurement of Airway Resistance or RAW

#### **DLCO:**

- Indication: Suspected gas exchange problems for many reasons including medication use, environmental exposures, chemical exposures etc
- Used to determine the gas exchange efficiency of the lung
- Useful in determining lung injury from suspected irritants/inhalants
- Useful for monitoring the effects of drugs that are known to adversely affect the lung parenchyma
- For low oxygen/ Hypoxia patients, always consider a DLCO measurement

#### **Exhaled NO:**

- Measurement of single breath Nitric Oxide (NO) levels
- NO is specifically elevated in Eosinophilic (allergic) Asthma

# **Muscle Strength:**

- MIP/MEP determines, by the use of pressure differentials the strength of the inspiratory and expiratory muscles
- MVV determines, by use of volume the greatest amount of gas that the lungs can conduct in one minute
- Used to diagnose/monitor neuro-muscular disorders

#### **Specific Orders:**

• These options are available to fit your concerns

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