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PHYSICIAN'S ORDERS Clinical Pathway (CP)

☐ Civic ☐ General

Medication Allergies/Reactions

☐ None known

Substances or Food Allergies/Reactions

☐ None known

Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease Exacerbation (COPD-E) Admission Orders

Init.	Non-Medication	Init.	IV and Medication (Medication, dose, route, frequency)
	☐ Initiate clinical pathway for: COPD – Exacerbation (CP 110A) Admit to Service: _____ Attending Doctor: _____ ☐ Vital signs as per pathway ☐ OR _____ ☐ Weight and BMI measurement (kg/m²) on admission (Document BMI in pathway) Diet: ☐ NPO ☐ High calorie, high protein diet ☐ Diabetic diet ☐ Other _____ Isolation Precautions: ☐ Droplet Precautions ☐ Airborne Precautions ☐ Contact Precautions Tests: ☐ PA/Lateral chest x-ray (enter on CPOE) ☐ OR ☐ Portable chest x-ray (enter on CPOE) ☐ EKG ☐ CBC, Creatinine, Na, K, Cl, HCO₃ daily × 3 days ☐ CK, Tnl ☐ IgG, Total Protein, Albumin ☐ Arterial Blood Gas ☐ OR ☐ Venous Blood Gas ☐ Nasopharyngeal swab for respiratory viruses ☐ Sputum for bacterial culture and sensitivity ☐ INR ☐ OR ☐ INR daily × 3 days ☐ Other _____ Oxygen: ☐ Titrate oxygen for saturations between 88–92% (Policy No.: 00098) ☐ OR ☐ Titrate oxygen for saturations 92% or more ☐ OR _____ ☒ Notify RT if patient requires greater than 50% FiO₂ Non-Invasive Ventilation: ☐ Initiate Bi-Level Ventilation (consider if pH less than 7.35, increased work of breathing) ☐ Bi-Level initial settings: IPAP _____ cmH₂O, EPAP _____ cmH₂O Category Status: ☐ Category status completed		IV Fluids: ☐ Normal saline 100 mL/hour × 2 hours THEN reassess ☐ Other _____ Corticosteroids: ☐ PrednisONE 50 mg PO daily × 5 days THEN reassess ☐ OR ☐ MethylPREDNISolone 60 mg IV q24h × 48 hours (If unable to take PO) THEN reassess ☐ OR ☐ Other _____ Select an antibiotic if patient has at least 2 of the following 3 criteria present: 1) Increased sputum purulence 2) Increased sputum volume 3) Increased dyspnea Choose an antibiotic from a different drug class than was used in the last 3 months Antibiotics (Dose adjustment may be necessary for renal dysfunction): Amoxicillin–clavulanic acid ☐ 875 mg PO q12h ☐ OR ☐ 500 mg PO q8h ☐ OR ☐ Azithromycin 500 mg PO daily × 1 day, THEN 250 mg PO daily × 4 days* ☐ OR ☐ Cefuroxime axetil 500 mg PO q12h ☐ OR ☐ Doxycycline 100 mg PO q12h ☐ OR ☐ LevoFLOXacin 750 mg PO q24h* ☐ OR ☐ Trimethoprim/sulfamethoxazole 1 DS tab PO q12h If unable to receive oral antibiotics: ☐ CefTRIAXone 1 g IV q24h ☐ OR ☐ LevoFLOXacin 750 mg IV q24h* Antivirals (Dose adjustment may be necessary for renal dysfunction): ☐ Oseltamivir 75 mg PO q12h × 5 days (Treatment Dose) * May prolong QT interval (check before prescribing) Beta Agonist Therapy (choose one): Salbutamol (Ventolin) MDI 100 mcg: ☐ 2–4 puffs q4h straight × 48h THEN reassess ☐ OR ☐ 2 puffs q4h prn ☐ OR Salbutamol (Ventolin) via nebulizer (if unable to administer via MDI): ☐ 2.5 mg (2.5 mL) q ____ h straight × 48h THEN reassess ☐ OR ☐ 2.5 mg (2.5 mL) q ____ h prn Anticholinergic Therapy (choose one): ☐ Tiotropium (Spiriva) Handihaler 18 mcg capsule for inhalation daily ☐ OR ☐ Ipratropium (Atrovent) MDI 20 mcg, 2–4 puffs q4h straight × 48h THEN reassess ☐ OR ☐ Ipratropium (Atrovent) via nebulizer 250 mcg (1 mL) q ____ h straight × 48h THEN reassess (if unable to administer via MDI) ☐ OR ☐ Other _____ ICS/LABA Therapy (if indicated, choose one): Fluticasone/Salmeterol (Advair) Diskus 1 puff q12h: ☐ 100 mcg/50 mcg ☐ OR ☐ 250 mcg/50 mcg ☐ OR ☐ 500 mcg/50 mcg ☐ OR Budesonide/Formoterol (Symbicort) Turbuhaler 2 puffs q12h: ☐ 100 mcg/6 mcg ☐ OR ☐ 200 mcg/6 mcg ☐ OR ☐ Other _____ Nicotine Replacement Therapy: Complete HEA 107 (nicotine replacement therapy) DVT Prophylaxis: Enoxaparin: ☐ 40 mg SC daily ☐ OR ☐ 30 mg SC daily (if CrCl less than 30 mL/min) ☐ OR ☐ Heparin 5000 units SC q ____ h (if CrCl less than 30 mL/min) ☐ OR ☐ Other _____ Bowel Protocol: Physician to complete constipation protocol SPO 226
Date (yyyy/mm/dd)	Time	Physician (printed)	Signature (Physician)
Date (noted)	Time	Processed by	Signature (Nurse)