# **RESP-2300: BASIC THERAPEUTIC PROCEDURES**

# **Cuyahoga Community College**

# Viewing: RESP-2300 : Basic Therapeutic Procedures

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Subject Code

**RESP - Respiratory Care** 

# Course Number:

2300

Title:

**Basic Therapeutic Procedures** 

# **Catalog Description:**

Theory, clinical application and analysis of basic respiratory care procedures. Emphasis on oxygen therapy, medical gas therapy, tracheal suctioning, humidity and aerosol therapy, chest physical therapy, incentive spirometry, intermittent positive pressure breathing, airway management, bronchoscopy, and thoracotomy tubes.

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Credit Hour(s):
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3
Lecture Hour(s):
2
Lab Hour(s):
3
Other Hour(s):
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# Requisites

# Prerequisite and Corequisite

RESP-1330 Cardiopulmonary Assessment and Pulmonary Diseases.

# Outcomes

# Course Outcome(s):

Apply safe levels of medical gases and assess for patient hazards and positive outcomes.

# Objective(s):

- 1. Perform an assessment of a patient's oxygenation status recognizing causes of hypoxia and physiologic response to the condition.
- 2. Assess symptoms, classifications and appropriate therapy related to asthma management.
- 3. Recognize the indications for insertion, and potential complications of an artificial airway, and properly execute the intubation procedure.
- 4. Identify the indications and goals of oxygen therapy, determine required oxygen concentrations, apply appropriate administration devices, and recognize potential hazards.
- 5. Describe the indications, physiologic effects, application techniques, and potential hazards of administering helium, and hyperbaric oxygen therapy.

# Course Outcome(s):

Employ secretion removal from patients' airways using appropriate vacuum pressures, external chest wall vibrations, and gravity drainage techniques.

### Objective(s):

- 1. Apply positive pressure adjuncts in a safe and effective manner.
- 2. Differentiate the techniques of orotracheal, nasotracheal, and tracheostomy intubation.
- 3. Identify, explain and perform postural drainage therapy techniques which promote bronchial hygiene, and improve breathing efficiency.
- 4. Instruct patient with demonstration back technique on proper breathing pattern and post-treatment cough.

#### Course Outcome(s):

Produce effective bronchial hygiene by administering appropriate inhaled medications, humidity therapy, positive expiratory pressure and educating the patients in effective coughing techniques.

#### Objective(s):

- 1. Describe the goals, clinical criteria, and indications for positive pressure therapy.
- 2. Discuss the hemodynamic effects, hazards and contraindications of positive airway pressure therapy.
- 3. Assess the effectiveness of the mucociliary escalator considering causes, physiologic responses, and clinical manifestations of a dysfunction in the system.
- 4. Apply basic therapy that assists in the removal of tracheobronchial secretions including suctioning, humidity therapy, identifying clinical indications, proper administration techniques, and potential complications.
- 5. Evaluate the necessity for aerosol therapy, identifying clinical signs, goals of therapy, and demonstrate an understanding of administration techniques, and hazards of therapy.
- 6. Differentiate aerosolized medications by nervous system response, mechanism of action, dosages, and potential side effects.
- 7. Instruct patient with demonstration back technique on proper breathing pattern and, post-treatment cough.

# Course Outcome(s):

Demonstrate asthma care plans to patients utilizing assessments, classifications, and appropriate inhaled medications.

#### Objective(s):

- 1. Assess symptoms, classifications and appropriate therapy related to asthma management.
- 2. Evaluate the necessity for aerosol therapy, identifying clinical signs, goals of therapy, and demonstrate an understanding of administration techniques, and hazards of therapy.
- 3. Differentiate aerosolized medications by nervous system response, mechanism of action, dosages, and potential side effects.
- 4. Apply appropriate aerosol delivery devices in a safe and effective manner.
- 5. Instruct patient with demonstration back technique on proper breathing pattern, post-treatment cough, and bedside peak flow measurements.

#### Course Outcome(s):

Operate therapeutic devices utilized to increase alveolar ventilation, and decrease work of breathing.

# **Objective(s):**

- 1. Describe the goals, clinical criteria, and indications for positive pressure therapy.
- 2. Discuss the hemodynamic effects, hazards and contraindications of positive airway pressure therapy.
- 3. Apply positive pressure adjuncts in a safe and effective manner.
- 4. Instruct patient with demonstration back technique on proper breathing pattern, post-treatment cough, and bedside peak flow measurements.

#### Course Outcome(s):

Manipulate artificial airways and associated adjuncts to produce patent airways in patients.

# Objective(s):

- 1. Recognize the indications for insertion, and potential complications of an artificial airway
- 2. Properly execute the intubation procedure.

- 3. Differentiate the techniques of orotracheal, nasotracheal, and tracheostomy intubation.
- 4. Recognize hazards and complications of intubation given a patient scenario.

#### Course Outcome(s):

Select appropriate equipment and medications used for a bronchoscopy procedure.

#### Objective(s):

1. Demonstrate an understanding of the basic equipment function, indications, contraindications, and diagnostic value of performing a bronchoscopy.

#### **Methods of Evaluation:**

- A. Quizzes
- B. Exams
- C. Comprehensive final
- D. Laboratory quizzes
- E. Equipment competency exams
- F. Laboratory comprehensive final

#### **Course Content Outline:**

- 1. Oxygen therapy
  - a. Goals of oxygen therapy
    - i. treatment of hypoxemia
      - 1. causes of hypoxemia
      - 2. physiologic responses to hypoxemia
    - ii. decrease work of breathing
    - iii. decrease myocardial work
  - b. Determination of required oxygen therapy
    - i. current partial pressure of arterial oxygen (Pa02)
    - ii. normal partial pressure of arterial oxygen (Pa02)
    - iii. required fraction of inspired oxygen (Fi02)
    - iv. need for high/low flow system
    - v. specific delivery device
  - c. Application of oxygen therapy
    - i. baseline assessment information
    - ii. assembly of equipment
    - iii. explanation to patient
    - iv. post assessment
    - v. readjust and reevaluate
  - d. Hazards of oxygen therapy
    - i. absorption atelectasis
    - ii. refractory hypoxia
    - iii. pulmonary oxygen toxicity
      - 1. components of intracellular metabolism of oxygen
      - 2. duration/concentration resulting in damage
      - 3. pulmonary tissue damage
      - 4. clinical manifestations
    - iv. retenopathy of prematurity
    - v. oxygen induced hypoventilation
- 2. Medical gas therapy
- a. Hyperbaric oxygen therapy
  - i. equipment
  - multiplace chambers
    - 2. monoplace chambers
  - ii. theory of use
  - iii. physiologic effects
  - iv. hazardous effects
  - v. indications

- b. Helium therapy
  - i. characteristics of helium
  - ii. indications for therapy
  - iii. administration procedure
  - iv. side effects
- 3. Pathophysiology of retained secretions
  - a. Mucociliary escalator
    - i. mucus blanket
    - ii. ciliary activity
    - iii. disturbance in action
    - iv. mucus production
  - b. Parenchymal hygiene
    - i. alveolar fluid
    - ii. macrophages
    - iii. alveolar inflation volume
  - c. Cough mechanism
    - i. nerve innervation
    - ii. inspiratory volume
    - iii. glottic closure
    - iv. intrathoracic pressure
    - v. glottic opening
  - d. Physiologic response to retained secretions
    - i. inflammatory response
    - ii. alterations in airflow
    - iii. changes in work of breathing
    - iv. distribution of gas
    - v. decrease oxygenation
    - vi. alterations in lung compliance
    - vii. development of infection
  - e. Clinical manifestations of retained secretions
    - i. increased work of breathing
    - ii. hypoxia
    - iii. inadequate cough
  - f. Etiology
    - i. dehydration
    - ii. acute pulmonary disease
    - iii. tracheal foreign body
    - iv. generalized muscle weakness
    - v. bulbar malfunction
  - vi. abdominal musculature limitations
- 4. Adjuncts to the mucociliary escalator
- a. Suctioning
  - i. Indications of suctioning
    - breath sounds
    - 2. visualize secretions
    - 3. patency of airways
  - ii. preassessment of patient
    - 1. vital signs
    - 2. breath sounds
    - 3. patient position
  - iii. equipment
    - 1. characteristics of catheters
    - 2. suction pressures
    - 3. suctioning kit
    - 4. manual resuscitator
    - 5. lavage solution
  - iv. procedure via artificial airway
    - 1. sterile technique
    - 2. assembly of equipment

- 3. manual ventilation
- 4. hyperoxygenation
- 5. hyperinflation
- 6. fraction of inspired oxygen (Fi02)
- 7. catheter insertion
- v. procedure nasopharyngeal route
  - 1. sterile technique
  - 2. assembly of equipment
  - 3. hyperoxygenation
  - 4. hyperinflation
  - 5. catheter insertion
  - 6. application of vacuum
  - 7. monitoring patient
- vi. complications
  - 1. hypoxemia
  - 2. dysrhythmia
  - 3. hypotension
  - 4. atelectasis
  - 5. tissue damage
- vii. sputum collection for culture/cytology
- b. Humidity therapy
  - i. normal airway humidification
    - 1. % humidity ambient air inspired nasally
    - 2. % humidity ambient air inspired orally
    - 3. insensible water loss
  - ii. alterations due to inadequate humidification
  - iii. indications for humidity therapy
  - iv. clinical application of humidifiers
  - v. systemic hydration
  - vi. pharmacologic interventions to factors affecting penetration

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- 1. Bronchopulmonary hygiene
  - a. Aerosol therapy
    - i. particle stability
    - ii. penetration and deposition
    - iii. quantity of aerosol retention
    - iv. solutions effect on airway resistance
    - v. goals of aerosol therapy
    - vi. administration technique
    - vii. hazards of aerosol therapy
  - b. Aerosol pharmacology
    - i. categories of aerosolized medications
    - ii. nervous system affects
      - 1. alpha
      - 2. beta 1
      - 3. beta 2
    - iii. clinical complaints of side affects
    - iv. bronchodilators via hand held nebulizer
      - 1. generic and brand names
      - 2. nervous system affects
      - 3. percent solutions
      - 4. mg/ml
      - 5. normal dosages
      - 6. specific medications
      - 7. racemic epinephrine
      - 8. short acting bronchodilators
      - 9. long acting bronchodilators
      - 10. inhaled corticosteroids

- 11. combination therapy
- 12. mucolytics
- v. metered dose inhalers
  - 1. technique
  - 2. patient instruction
- vi. dry powder inhalers
  - 1. technique
  - 2. patient instruction
- vii. patient instruction for administration
- viii. clinical indications
- ix. complications in administration
- x. calculation of dosages
- 2. Mechanical interventions to bronchopulmonary hygiene
  - a. General indications
    - i. ineffective cough
    - ii. quantity/quality of secretions
  - b. Clinical goals of therapy
    - i. effective cough
    - ii. supplement effective cough
  - c. Techniques promoting bronchial hygiene
    - i. clinical indications
    - ii. patient tolerance
    - iii. postural drainage
      - 1. description of technique
      - 2. positions for upper lobes
      - 3. positions for middle lobes
      - 4. positions for lower lobes
      - 5. duration and frequency of therapy
    - iv. chest percussion
      - 1. description of technique
      - 2. mechanical percussors
      - 3. areas percussed
      - 4. precautions
      - 5. complications
      - 6. duration and frequency of therapy
    - v. chest vibration
      - 1. description of technique
      - 2. areas vibrated
      - 3. precautions
      - 4. complications
      - 5. duration and frequency of therapy
    - vi. cough training
      - 1. factors impairing cough
      - 2. proper body position
      - 3. physical support of patient
      - 4. verbal support of patient
    - 5. mechanical stimulation techniques
  - d. Techniques improving breathing efficiency
    - i. goals of breathing retraining
      - 1. proper breathing patterns
      - 2. decrease work of breathing
    - ii. causes of abnormal breathing patterns
      - 1. poor muscle strength
      - 2. anatomic changes
    - iii. description of techniques
      - 1. pursed lip breathing
      - 2. diaphragmatic breathing
      - 3. segmental breathing
    - iv. breathing and activities of daily living

- 3. Hyperinflation techniques of bronchial hygiene
  - a. Incentive spirometry
    - i. goals of therapy
      - 1. recruit alveoli
      - 2. prevent atelectasis
    - ii. criteria/indications for therapy
      - 1. post op-patients
      - 2. decreased FVC
      - 3. shallow breathing
      - 4. atelectais
    - iii. description of technique
      - 1. determination of baseline volume goals
      - 2. proper explanation
      - 3. proper patient positioning
      - 4. administration
      - 5. frequency and duration
      - 6. evaluation of therapy
- 4. Asthma management
  - a. Assessment
    - i. patient
    - ii. environment
  - b. Definition of asthma
  - c. Educate patient i. asthma pathology

    - ii. treatment
    - iii. signs and action steps
  - d. Classifications of asthma
    - i. intrinsic
    - ii. extrinsic
  - e. Treatment related to classifications
    - i. action plan
    - ii. asthma guidelines
- 5. Positive pressure adjuncts
  - a. Physiology of positive expiratory pressure
  - b. Patient education
  - c. Chest wall vibrations
- 6. Airway management
  - a. Pharyngeal airways
    - i. oropharyngeal
      - 1. indications
      - 2. insertion technique
      - 3. complications
    - ii. nasopharyngeal
      - 1. indications
      - 2. insertion technique
      - 3. complications
  - b. Indications for artificial airways
    - i. relief of airway obstruction
    - ii. protection of the airway
    - iii. facilitate suctioning
    - iv. facilitate mechanical ventilation
  - c. Tracheostomy vs. endotracheal tube
    - i. time considerations
    - ii. patient comfort
    - iii. communication
    - iv. hazards
  - d. Oral intubation
    - i. Equipment
    - ii. assessment of patient
    - iii. patient positioning

- iv. laryngoscope insertion
- v. glottic landmarks
- vi. tube insertion
- vii. patient monitoring
- viii. post intubation assessment
- e. Nasal intubation
  - i. techniques
    - 1. blind
    - direct vision
  - ii. tube position
  - iii. advantages over oral tube
  - iv. hazards specific to nasal route
- 7. Artificial airways
  - a. Management of the intubated patient
    - i. contamination of the airway
    - ii. humidification of the airway
  - b. Extubation technique
    - i. indications
    - ii. proper explanation to patient
    - iii. equipment preparation
    - iv. suctioning the airway
    - v. removal of tube
    - vi. post extubation assessment
    - vii. post extubation therapy
  - c. Tracheostomy
    - i. advantages over endotracheal tube
    - ii. immediate complications procedure
    - iii. late complications of procedure
    - iv. cleaning and changing the tube
    - v. extubation
  - d. Artificial airway emergencies
    - i. cuff leaks
    - ii. inadvertent extubation
    - iii. obstructed tubes
  - e. Complications of tracheal intubation
    - i. Obstructed airways
    - ii. Cough
    - iii. By-pass normal humidification/warming
  - f. Emergency airways
    - i. esophageal
    - ii. cricothyroid

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