

# From the Office of Clinical Informatics AR Gould – Respiratory Therapy Tasking and Charge Updates

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Documentation in Activity View which is linked to tasking in the Multipatient Task List (MPTL) and CareCompass has been updated to be more inclusive, allowing the Respiratory Therapist to complete documentation from the task. Several Yes responses in iView that would open a charge documentation have been removed, decreasing the clicks. Charge documentation has been updated to increase the standardization of charges between all the Member Organizations. As it is today, all the Respiratory Therapy charges are seen; however, this does not mean the charges are mapped on the backend to every Member Organization.

## **Changes to Charge Documentation**

- RT CHARGE Inhalation TRMNT NEW Charge
  - RT CHARGE Inhalation TRMNT replaces RT CHARGE MDI and RT CHARGE Neb.
    - Neb/MDI/DPI use this charge when inhalation treatment is given with any of these methods.
      - They share the same charge code.
    - **Continuous 1<sup>st</sup> Hour** use this charge for the first hour of a continuous Neb.
    - **Continuous EA ADDL HR** Medicare allows for up to four additional hours to be charged for a continuous Neb and the number of hours this is used should still be documented in the charge.
    - Home device Instruct/Eval use this charge when evaluating or instructing a patient with a device that is or will be used at home.
    - **Pentamidine/Nebupent Neb** AR Gould does not use this charge.
- > RT CHARGE Chest Physiotherapy NEW Charge
  - **CPT Initial** is used for the first chest physiotherapy treatment.
  - **CPT Subsequent** is used for additional chest physiotherapy treatments.
- > RT CHARGE Nasotracheal Suctioning NEW Charge
  - AR Gould has been added to this charge.
- > RT CHARGE Intubation or Assist NEW Charge
  - AR Gould has been added to this charge.
  - This charge should be used if intubating or assisting with an intubation.

RT CHARGE Inhalation TRMNT X Neb/MDI/DPI Continuous 1st Hour Continuous EA ADDL HR Home Device Instruct/Eval Pentamidine/Nebupent Neb

RT CHARGE Chest Physiotherapy X CPT initial CPT subsequent

RT CHARGE Nasotracheal Suctioning	X
Suctioning	

RT CHARGE Intubation or Assist: X Yes

## RT CHARGE Delivery Attendance – NEW Charge

- Located in **Respiratory Therapy Time/Equipment**.
- Attended Mercy has been added to this charge.
- This charge should be used if the Respiratory Therapist assists with a newborn resuscitation including CPR.
- RT CHARGE Peakflow Meter Updated and NEW CHARGE ≻
  - The **Yes** response has been removed as the Expiratory flow rate meter handheld cannot be separately reimbursed.
  - **Eval of wheezing Mercy** renamed **Eval of wheezing** to allow AR Gould to document this charge. •
  - Use this charge for the evaluation of bronchodilation responsiveness when spirometry is used pre • and post bronchodilator.

#### RT CHARGE Sputum Collection – Renamed & NEW Charge ≻

- RT CHARGE Sputum Collection renamed to RT CHARGE Sputum Induction.
- **Induction (EMMC)** and **Collection (Mercy)** these options have been replaced with **Yes** and **No**.
- AR Gould will use **Yes** to charge for a sputum collection obtained through aerosol therapy.
- Respiratory Therapy can only charge for a sputum collection if it is induced.
- **RT CHARGE Breathing Exercise Replaced** 
  - **RT CHARGE Vital Capacity** replaces this charge.
  - Located in **Invasive Ventilation** under Spontaneous Parameters.
  - Documentation of Vital Capacity will open ٠ **RT CHARGE Vital Capacity**.
- RT CHARGE NIV AR Gould Replaced ≻
  - RT CHARGE NIV AR Gould has been replaced with RT CHARGE Non-Invasive.
  - **BiPAP** and **CPAP Initial** and **Subsequent** share the same charge code. •
  - Select **BiPAP/CPAP** when the patient has been placed on BiPAP or CPAP.

⊿ Spontaneous Parameters		
Respiratory Rate	br/min	
Minute Volume	L/min	
🔜 Tidal Volume	mL	
Vital Capacity	L	2
RT CHARGE Vital Capacity		$\diamond$
Negative Inspiratory Pressure	cmH20	

RT CHARGE Non-Invasive × **BiPAP/CPAP** 

**RT CHARGE Sputum Induction** × Yes No

RT CHARGE Delivery Attendance Attended

RT CHARGE Peakflow Meter 🗙

Eval of wheezing

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#### **RT CHARGE Oximetry – Updated**

- **Spot check** is used for when a pulse oximetry reading is obtained.
- **Overnight** is used for continuous pulse oximetry.
- Suctioning by a Respiratory Therapist can only be charged if nasotracheal suctioning is performed.

### > RT CHARGE Bronchoscopy – Updated

- Initial and Subsequent are NOT charged by AR Gould.
- AR Gould should ONLY use **Bronch w/alveolar lavage** and **Laryngoscopy flex diagnostic**.
- The following Bronchoscopy charges were **removed** due to non-use:
  - Bronch w/Bx
  - Bronch Diagnostic
  - Bronch/Needle aspiration
  - Bronch EBUS sampling <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> node
  - Bronch lung Bx each FAC
  - Bronch w trans needle ASP
  - Bronch w trans BX

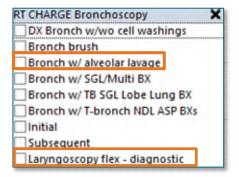
#### RT CHARGE Ventilators AR Gould - Renamed

- Renamed **RT CHARGE Ventilator** to allow all Member Organizations to use this charge field.
  - Initial use this when setting up the ventilator.
  - **Subsequent** use this each subsequent day the patient is on the ventilator after the first day.
- AR Gould will no longer charge the vent using a range of hours.

#### RT CHARGE Oxygen Therapy ARG – Removed

- Oxygen is no longer a chargeable item.
- RT CHARGE MDI and RT CHARGE Neb Removed
  - The charges located under **RT CHARGE MDI** and **RT CHARGE Neb** either shared a charge code, did not have a charge code associated with them, or were nonchargeable items.
  - RT CHARGE Inhalation TRMNT replaces both these charges.

RT CHARGE Oximetry	×
Spot check	
Overnight	



RT CHARGE Ventilator	X
Initial	
Subsequent	

## > RT CHARGE Incentive Spirometry – Removed

• This charge has been removed as it is no longer a chargeable item.

## > RT Statistical Charges

- These documentation fields have been removed as there is no longer a report available to track these nonmonetary statistical charges.
  - **ABG puncture** should be documented in the **ABG Draw** form in Adhoc.
  - Pulmonary Function testing and should be documented in the Pulmonary Function Testing form in Adhoc.
- The following items should be documented in the **Respiratory Therapy iView band**:
  - IPPB/IPV mist treatment and MDI teaching should be documented in the Inhaled Medication Therapy section.
  - **CPAP** should be documented in the **Non-Invasive Ventilation** section.
  - Vent weaning parameters and Ventilator set up should be documented in the Invasive Ventilation section.
  - Oxygen aerosol set up, Croupette set up, and Hood oxygen should be documented in the O2 Therapy/Titration section.
  - **Respiratory Therapy** should be documented in the **Respiratory Assessment** section.
  - Chest physiotherapy should be documented in the Chest Physiotherapy section.

## **RT/Pulmonary Charges**

- The RT/Pulmonary Charges form has had charges removed that are no longer chargeable items, have been inactivated due to non-use, or are being charged in a different location.
  - RT CHARGE Oximetry should be charged in the Respiratory Therapy iView band in the O2 Therapy/Titration section.

## **Activity View Updates**

- Documenting a task from Respiratory Therapy Multipatient Task List (MPTL) or CareCompass opens Activity View.
- The documentation available in Activity View has been carefully reviewed by RT Managers/Directors and updated to include what should be all the information needed to complete the documentation for the task without the need to also go to the Respiratory Therapy iView band to complete it.
- > The section order of the documentation has been updated to match the Respiratory Therapy band in iView.
- Some documentation field names in iView have been updated to match what is in Activity View.

- > NEW TASK Smoking Cessation Consult
  - When the **INP Smoking Cessation Consult order** is placed, a task will fire to the **MPLT** and **Care Compass** at SVH.

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Multi-Patient Task List					6	RT Education Respiratory Assessment - Brief Breath Sounds Assessment Cough/Suction - Brief RT Education - Smoking Cessation s RT Diagnostics		RT Education - Smoking Cessation RT CHARGE Education 30 Min RT CHARGE Change Behavior Smoking Ed-Risks/Benefits of Smoking Cessation Ed-Second Hand Smoke Ed-Smoking Cessation	
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