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Respiratory Medicine

Patient details: please fill in all fields, legibly – help us to help you				Box Hill Hospital	
Surname	Name		Monday to Friday <b>Respiratory Laboratory, 3N,</b>		
Address		5	Sex M	Third Floor, Building B, Nelson Rd	
	UR		F	Maroondah Hospital Tuesdays and Thursdays Only	
Phone	Medicare	DOB		Davey Drive (near Mt Dandenong Rd) Ringwood East	
	* Lung Volumes, Skin Prick Test, HAST only available <u>Box Hill</u>				
☐ Cough FI / Asthma? ☐ Spirometry ☐TLCO ± Lung Volumes ☐if normal, Bronchial Challenge					
☐ Dyspnoea FI / COPD / Emphysema / OSA / Pre-operative assessment				Other Clinical Data:	
☐ Interstitial lung disease or Fibrosis / Pulmonary Hypertension / Other (Please specify) ☐ Spirometry ☐ TLCO ± Lung Volumes					
☐ Asthma for review	☐ Spirometry				
☐ Allergies ☐ Spirometry ☐ Expired Nitric Oxide (FeNO) ☐ Skin Prick Test (Aeroallergens)					
Oxygen assessment for flight Hypoxic Altitude Simulation Test (HAST)					
Oxygen Assessment Spirometry TLCO <u>+</u> Lung Volumes GMWT ABG and O2 Consult					
Other tests: MIPS & M					
Results to			Referring Doctor		
Dr	Provider No	Name:			
Address		Provider No	:	Signature	
Phone	Fax	Follow up Doctors appointment:			
СС		Date		Time	

## **ROUTINE TESTS AVAILABLE**

- Spirometry Measurement of FEV1 and FVC. Designed to identify obstruction & measure airway reversibility (asthma).
- TLCO Measures the lungs ability to transfer oxygen from the alveoli into the pulmonary capillary blood. Varies with: Hb, thickness of alveolar-capillary membrane (fibrosis), surface area of the alveolar-capillary membrane (emphysema).
- Expired Nitric Oxide (FeNO) Determines the presence of current eosinophilic airway inflammation.
- Lung Volumes (Plethysmography) Measures lung size (eg. TLC) to confirm restriction.
- MIPS & MEPS Maximal Inspiratory and Expiratory Pressures: Quantifies respiratory muscle strength.
- Bronchial Challenge Measures bronchial hyper reactivity, to assist in the diagnosis of current asthma.
- Skin Prick Test (aeroallergens only) Determines the presence of skin sensitizing antibodies (IgE) to aid in the diagnosis of allergic disease.

## **SPECIALISED TESTS AVAILABLE**

- 6MWT (6 minute walk) including ABG, determines need for domiciliary oxygen at rest and during exercise.
- HAST (Hypoxic Altitude Simulation Test) Assess patient's oxygen requirements at a simulated altitude for air travel.
- Shunt Fraction Measurement of the anatomic shunt.
- Cardiopulmonary exercise test Assess the nature and severity of cardiovascular and pulmonary disease.

## **CONTRAINDICATIONS**

- Abdominal, thoracic, neuro or ocular surgery past 6/52
  - Pneumothorax in past 6 weeks.
- Haemoptysis of unknown origin.
- Open pulmonary TB
- Unstable cardiovascular status.
- Thoracic or cerebral aneurysm.
- Angiogram or Transbronchial biopsy in past 24 hours.
- Intercostal catheters in situ.
- Recent myocardial infarction or pulmonary embolus.

Please STOP: Ventolin, Airomir, Asmol, Bricanyl at least 4 hours prior to test, unless you really feel you need it, Atrovent, Serevent, Seretide, Oxis, Symbicort, Flutiform, Bretaris, Brimica, DuoResp, Fostair, Fluticasone+Salmetarol Cipla at least 12 hours prior. Spiriva, Braltus, Onbrez, Seebri, Spiolto, Ultibro, Anoro, Incruse, Breo, Singulair, Spiolto, Trelegy at least 24 hours prior. You may continue: Flixotide, Qvar, Alvesco, Arnuity, Pulmicort, Flutacosone Cipla. No smoking for at least 6 hours prior to test.

Bronchial Challenge: STOP all of the above, including Ventolin, Airomir, Asmol, Bricanyl at least 8 hours prior to test, Braltus, Spiriva, Onbrez, Bretaris, Seebri, Spiolto, Ultibro, Anoro, Brimica, Incruse at least 72 hours (3 days), no anti-histamines for 3 days. Also STOP Flixotide, Qvar, Alvesco, Arnuity, Seretide, Flutiform, Fostair, Breo, Symbicort, Pulmicort, DuoResp, Fluticasone+Salmetarol Cipla, Flutacosone Cipla, Trelegy for 6 weeks. Atrovent for 12 hours, Serevent, Oxis, Theophylline for 24 hours Singulair for 4 days. DO NOT have coffee, tea, coke, chocolate (anything with caffeine) and Vitamin C supplements from midnight prior to the test. No vigorous exercise on the day of the test.

Skin Prick Tests: STOP Hay fever and allergy medications, including Telfast, Fexotabs, Claratyne, Clarinase, Zadine, Zyrtec, Polaramine, for 3 days before the test. Don't Use creams, moisturiser etc on your arms on the day of the test.

FeNO breath test: For at least one hour prior to the test - Don't eat or drink (including NO water), don't perform strenuous exercise and don't smoke. DON'T eat any processed meats on the day eg bacon, salami, sausages, ham etc.