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 The Art of Wellness

 Exeter Hospital
 • Core Physicians
 • Rockingham VNA & Hospice

MY COPD ACTION PLAN



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Date:

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Green	 I FEEL WELL Usual activity and appetite Usual amount and color of mucous Sleeping well or as usual Usual baseline breathing 	 ACTIONS ➤ Take daily medicines as directed ➤ Do normal activities ➤ Avoid tobacco smoke ➤ Use oxygen as directed (liters)

 More short of breath 	Use daily medicines & oxygen as
 Yellow More and/or thicker mucous Less energy than usual Not sleeping well, symptoms wake me Taking more rescue medicines Coughing up spots of blood or more than usual 	 directed Start rescue inhaler or nebulizer Call your doctor's office, give them an update, and discuss next steps. As directed Start:

Red	 I FEEL MUCH WORSE Severe shortness of breath Chest pain Confused, drowsy, slurring of speech 	 ACTIONS **Have someone take you to the emergency room or call 911 ➢ Increase oxygen to (liters) ➢ Take emergency dose of prednisone
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HEALTH CONFIDENCE (Wasson tool):

How confident are you that you can use this Action Plan to control and manage your COPD?

Score (0 -10 Low-High):	Date:	Affiliate: Core/EH/RVNA
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Record your daily COPD zone on this chart along with any symptoms and actions. Bring your chart with you to your doctor appointments so that he/she can review it with you.

G = Green Y = Yellow R = Red

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY

COPD Management

- Take your medications as prescribed and follow up with your doctors as directed.
- With COPD it is easier for you to get infections. Get your flu shot every year.
- Ask your doctor if you should get the pneumonia vaccine.
- Wash your hands often. Stay away from people who are sick.
- Eat smaller meals more often. It is easier to breathe when your stomach isn't full.
- If you smoke, it is time to quit. Keep your lungs from getting more damaged.
- Wash and replace tubing and equipment as instructed.

Oxygen Safety

- Always have a back-up supply of oxygen at home and when you go out.
- Make sure your utility company is aware you are on oxygen in the event of power failure.
- Never change how much oxygen is flowing unless told to by your doctor.
- Never smoke when you are using oxygen. Follow all safety precautions.

My oxygen supplier's: Name _

Phone # _

