

# At the VA, How Do I Order [item]?

## Radiology

### Sniff Test

1. Radiograph
2. abdominal radiograph
3. in comments, write

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sniff test
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## Lab Tests

### Myositis Panel

1. Misc order
2. in comments, write

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sent out myositis panel, code 10257
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### Cystic Fibrosis Genetic Test

1. Misc order
2. in Comments, write

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send out CFTR gene, code 10458
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## Body Fluid Samples

1. Cytology
  1. collect sample into sample cup
  2. paper lab order form
    1. MICU nurses have this
2. Micro, chemistries
  1. collect samples into purple- and red-top tubes
  2. place orders
  3. attach patient label to samples
  4. walk to lab on 4F near MICU

## Diagnostic Tests

## Pulmonary Function Tests

1. Orders
2. Consult Menu
3. Pulmonary, Respiratory & HOME O2
4. Pulmonary Function Test Outpt - BT

## EKG, outpatient

1. Admission order
2. pre op
3. ekg now
4. then take the patient to EKG area

## Medications

### Ordering tPA and dornase

1. send Teams message to [Farylal Qureshi](#)
2. Orders, High-alert medication

### Non-Formulary Medication

1. Orders
2. Meds Outpatient Quick Orders
3. #12 Controlled Substances (non formulary)
4. (CLICK HERE FOR CONSULT)
5. Attention: Farylal Qureshi

### Asthma Biologics

At the VA, Fasenra (benralizumab) is the only biologic for severe asthma on formulary. It appears Dupixent (dupilumab) is not yet available for [eosinophilic COPD](#).

- **REQUIRED:** EpiPens x2
  - Must order when getting benralizumab
    1. Patient must bring to infusion clinic
    2. Options to order benralizumab
    3. [Non-Formulary Order](#)

## DME

### Inhaler Adjuncts

For more significant support equipment (oxygen, nebulizers, suction equipment,

ventilators, etc.) see [Home O2 Consult](#).

For ordering flutter valves, spacers, peak flow meters, incentive spirometry, etc.

1. Orders
2. Consult
3. Additional Services → Prosthetics
4. Prosthetics Request Non-Implant- Baltimore

## **Home O2 Consult**

Below is how to order a 6MWT (to qualify for home oxygen), qualify for nebulizers, obtain suction equipment, obtain ventilators.

- Orders Tab
- Consult
- Pulmonary, Respiratory & Home O2
- Home Oxygen Request-VAMHCS

**To expedite home O2, contact [Richard Farr](#) or [Kimberley](#).**

## **Referrals**

### **Refer for Lung Transplant**

1. Write a VACO note
  1. Shared Template > Medical Care > Transplant > VACO

### **Refer to Subspecialty Clinics**

For lung cancer screening, lung mass clinic, pulmonary hypertension, pulmonary rehab, 6MWT, home oxygen assessment, qualify for nebulizers, suction equipment, ventilators.

1. Orders
2. Consult
3. Pulmonary, Respiratory & Home O2

### **Sleep Disordered Breathing**

1. Refer to Sleep Clinic
  1. Orders Tab
  2. Consult
  3. Neurology
  4. Sleep

- 5. Neurology Sleep Disorders Clinic Outpt
- 2. NIPPV Equipment (CPAP, BIPAP)
  - 1. Orders Tab
  - 2. Consult
  - 3. Neurology
  - 4. Sleep
  - 5. Sleep therapy outpt

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