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

Radiology

Sniff Test

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

sniff test

Lab Tests

Myositis Panel

- 1. Misc order
- 2. in comments, write

sent out myositis panel, code 10257

Cystic Fibrosis Genetic Test

- 1. Misc order
- 2. in Comments, write

send out CFTR gene, code 10458

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

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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 Faryal 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: Faryal 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

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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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