

# 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 02
4. Pulmonary Function Test Outpt - BT

## EKG, outpatient

1. Admission order
2. pre op
3. ekg now
4. Personally walk 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, Fasenera (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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