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

Radiology

Sniff Test

- Radiograph
- · abdominal radiograph
- in comments, write <code>sniff test</code>

Lab Tests

Myositis Panel

- Misc order
- in comments, write <code>sent out myositis panel, code 10257</code>

Cystic Fibrosis Genetic Test

- Misc order
- in Comments, write <code>send out CFTR gene, code 10458</code>

Body Fluid Samples

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

Diagnostic Tests

Pulmonary Function Tests

- Orders
- Consult Menu
- Pulmonary, Respiratory & HOME 02
- Pulmonary Function Test Outpt BT

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EKG, outpatient

- Admission order
- pre op
- ekg now
- Personally walk the patient to EKG area

Medications

Ordering tPA and dornase

- send Teams message to Faryal Qureshi
- Orders, High-alert medication

Non-Formulary Medication

- Orders
- Meds Outpatient Quick Orders
- #12 Controlled Substances (non formulary)
- (CLICK HERE FOR CONSULT)
- Attention: Faryal Qureshi

Asthma Biologics

At Baltimore VA, Fasenra (benralizumab) is the only on-formulary biologic for severe asthma.

- **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

Includes: incentive spirometer, PEP device (Acapella), pulse oximeter

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

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- 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

Referrals

Refer for Lung Transplant

- 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.

- Orders
- Consult
 - 1. Pulmonary, Respiratory & Home O2

Sleep Disordered Breathing

- Refer to Sleep Clinic
 - ∘ Orders
 - ∘ Consult
 - ∘ Neurology
 - Sleep
 - Neurology Sleep Disorders Clinic Outpt
- NIPPV Equipment (CPAP, BIPAP)
 - ∘ Orders
 - ∘ Consult
 - Neurology
 - ∘ Sleep
 - Sleep therapy outpt

^{**}To expedite home O2, contact Richard Farr or Kimberley.

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