

## Home Oxygen Program Funding Criteria Reference

### **Resting Hypoxia**

# Exertional Hypoxia

#### **Palliative**

# Self-Pay and/or Insurance

#### **ABG**

PaO2 ≤ 55mmHq

#### PaO2 = 56-60mmHg

One of these medical complications must be met:
Cor pulmonale, pulmonary hypertension or secondary polycythemia

OR

The individual must desaturate to ≤88% on room air with exertion and then show improvement with oxygen (this can be done in the home)

PaO2≥ 61mmHg An IEA is required

#### **IEA**

(Independent Exercise Assessment)

### Booked as outpatient through the Pulmonary Function Lab

SpO2 < 80% with exertion on room air.

SpO2 ≤88% with exertion on room air and shows improvement on oxygen. BORG scores measured on room air and oxygen portions. BORG score must be improved by at least one point on oxygen.

#### **Palliative Funding**

- Funding for 90 days
- Diagnosis is specific to patient's terminal condition
- Available once in a lifetime
- No tests required (ABG or IEA)

#### Self-pay/Insurance

- If the individual does not meet the ministry of eligibility criteria, other funding options are available such as private funding and/or self-pay
- Need prescription with litre per minute flowrate

\*ABG and IEA results are valid for 30 days before the physician orders oxygen

MOH home oxygen manual:

 $\underline{https://files.ontario.ca/moh-adp-policy-and-administration-manual-home-oxygen-2023-07-01.pdf}$ 

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