

QUALIFYING MEDICARE OXYGEN:

MEDICARE REQUIRES A SAT RATE OF 88% OR BELOW.

If a patient has a room air sat rate of 88% or below

STOP

patient qualifies and no more testing is required

IF TESTING ON ROOM AIR ABOVE 88%, ALL THREE READINGS NEED TO BE TAKEN

MEDICARE REQUIRES 3 SEPARATE READINGS TO BE TAKEN:

1. OXYGEN SATS PRIOR TO EXERCISE, BREATHING ROOM AIR.
2. OXYGEN SATS DURING EXERCISE, BREATHING ROOM AIR.
3. DURING EXERCISE RECEIVING SUPPLEMENTAL OXYGEN.

IF GREATER THAN 4 LPM IS PRESCRIBED, A SAT RATE MUST BE TAKEN AT 4 LPM

TESTING MUST BE PERFORMED WITH THE PATIENT IN A CHRONIC STABLE STATE OR WITHIN TWO DAYS PRIOR TO DISCHARGE. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE TESTING RESULT ON THE CMN MUST BE DOCUMENTED IN THE PATIENT'S CHART.

ONLY THE SECOND READING IS ENTERED ON THE CMN. BUT WE MUST HAVE A COPY OF ALL THREE TESTINGS FOR PATIENT CHART. All 3 tests must be performed within the same testing session.

Alternative treatment measures have been tried or considered and deemed clinically ineffective

PLEASE NOTE WE WILL NEED THE PATIENT'S OFFICE VISIT NOTES FOR OUR RECORDS.