# UCH WEANING FROM MECHANICAL VENTILATION PATHWAY

# WAKE WARM AND WEAN.

POST OPERATIVE PATIENTS WHO HAVE BEEN VENTILATED < 24 HOURS

# DAILY EXTUBATION SCREEN

A DAILY SCREEN TO BE CARRIED OUT ON ALL PATIENTS VENTILATED VIA AN ETT >24 HOURS WHO ARE NOT ON THE INTERMEDIATE OR FAILURE TO WEAN PATHWAYS. THE RESULTS OF THE WEANING SCREEN SHOULD BE RECORDED ON THE WEANING SCREEN PAGE OF CIMS

# INTERMEDIATE PATHWAY

PATIENTS WHO HAVE FAILED FIVE SPONTANEOUS
BREATHING TRIALS

# **FAILURE TO WEAN PATHWAY**

PATIENTS WHO HAVE FAILED TWO ATTEMPTS ON THE INTERMEDIATE PATHWAY.

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# **DOES PATIENT MEET INCLUSION CRITERIA?**

- 1. Post Operative AND
- 2. Ventilated less than 24 hours

### **Patient Exclusion Criteria**

The following groups of patients are not suitable for nurse led extubation

- Grade 3/4 intubations or difficult intubations
- Patients with significant lung disease
- Patients who have failed one or more previous extubation's
- Patients the medical staff have advised not to extubate
- Max Fax, ENT Head and Neck Surgery patients.

The extubation for these patients must be doctor led

### Warm

- •Aim axilla temp >36C
- Ensure patient peripherally warm and well perfused – capillary refill < 3secs</li>
- Use active external rewarming (bair hugger blanket if temp <35C)</li>

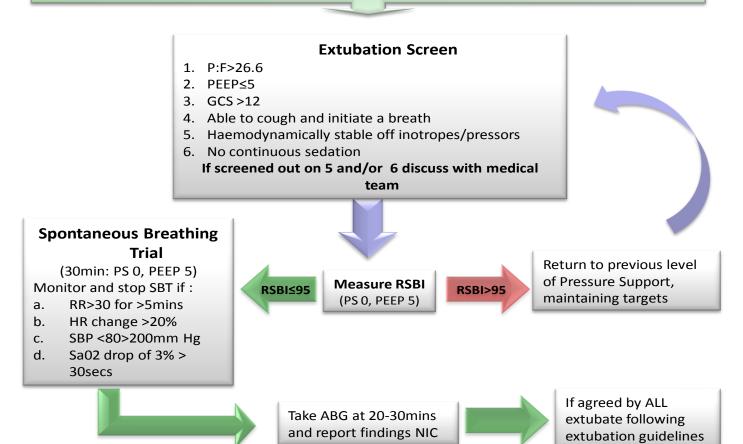
### Wake

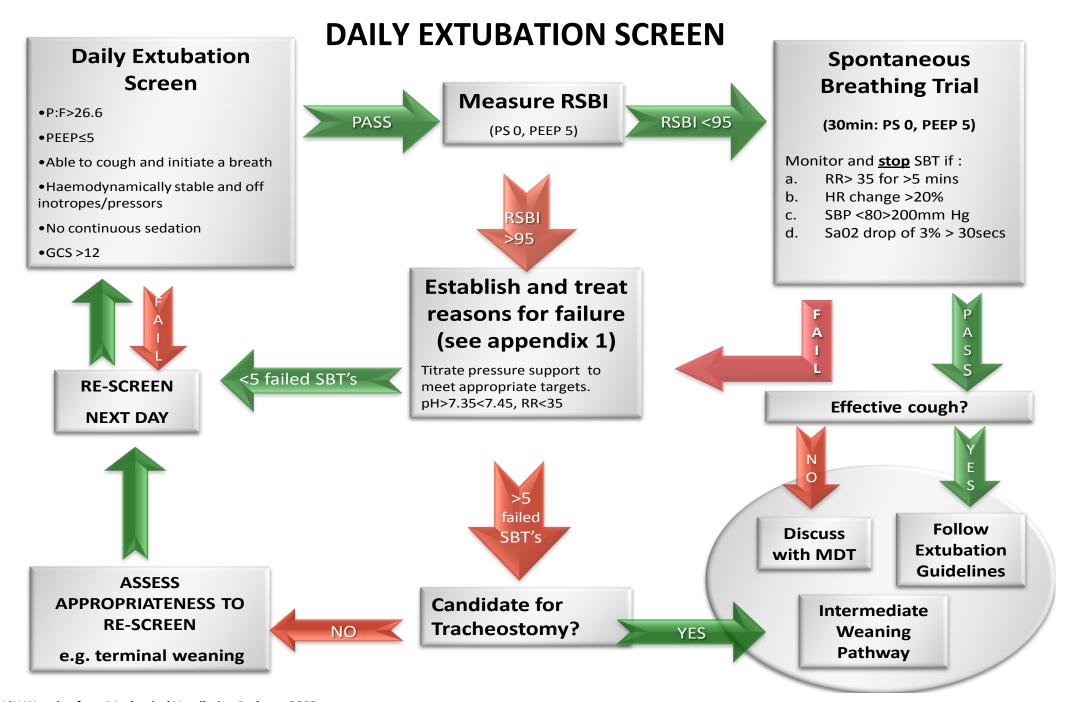
Reduce sedation until patient is responsive and obeying commands, i.e. sedation score 0 or +1, ensure PATIENT AND STAFF SAFETY and adequate pain control

### Wean

Change patient to pressure support ventilation ASAP and wean down pressure support ensuring targets are maintained (TV>5ml/Kg, RR <30/min, pH7.35-7.45, PC02<5.5)

If all of above achieved





# INTERMEDIATE WEANING PATHWAY

# STEP 1

WEAN PRESSURE SUPPORT TO LEVEL ABOVE PREVIOUS FAILURE POINT

CONSIDER USING THIS PRESSURE SUPPORT TO REST THE PATIENT OVERNIGHT AIMING Vt> 5mls/Kg, f/Vt<90, RR<24

# STEP 2

REDUCE DAYTIME PS BY 1-4 EVERY 24 HOURS UNTIL PS 5

MAINTAINING TARGETS pH7.35-7.45, RR <35

# STEP 3

MAINTAIN ADEQUATE NIGHT TIME VENTILATION SETTINGS

NIGHT TIME VENTILATION: AIMING Vt> 5MLS/Kg, f/Vt<90, RR<24 TO MAINTAIN pH7.35-7.45, RR <35

TRACHE MASK TRIAL; PREFERABLY WITH CUFF DEFLATED & SPEAKING VALVE

USE AGREED PARAMETERS TO STOP TRIAL RR< 35, OR ≤RR+25%, HR +25% pH7.35-7.45 AND PATIENT COMFORT

# STEP 4

USE DURATION OF TRACHE MASK TRIAL AS STARTING POINT ON WEANING TIME TEMPLATE (APPENDIX 2), TO CREATE WEANING PLAN

E.G. 1 HOUR START AT POINT 1, 3 HOURS START AT POINT 3.

CLINICIAN DISCRETION TO EXCLUDE STEPS

# IF FAILS 2 ATTEMPTS ON THIS PATHWAY GO TO FAILURE TO WEAN PATHWAY

# **FAILURE TO WEAN PATHWAY**

### STEP 1

WEAN PRESSURE SUPPORT TO LEVEL ABOVE PREVIOUS FAILURE POINT

USE THIS PRESSURE SUPPORT TO
REST THE PATIENT OVERNIGHT
AIMING Vt> 5mls/Kg, F/Vt<90, RR<24

# STEP 2

REDUCE DAYTIME PS BY 1 EVERY 24 HOURS UNTIL PS 8-10

ONLY REDUCE PS IF PATIENT HAS MANAGED 12 HOURS AT THE PREVIOUS LEVEL, PH7.35-7.45, RR<24

# STEP 3

REDUCE NIGHT TIME VENTILATION
STILL MAINTAINING ADEQUATE REST
BUT NOT BELOW PS 8

TRACHE MASK TRIAL; PREFERABLY WITH CUFF DEFLATED & SPEAKING VALVE

NIGHT TIME VENTILATION: AIMING Vt> 5MLS/KG, F/Vt<90, RR<24 TO MAINTAIN pH7.35-7.45.

USE AGREED PARAMETERS TO STOP TRIAL RR< 35, OR ≤RR+25%, HR +25% pH7.35-7.45 AND PATIENT COMFORT

### STEP 4

USE DURATION OF TRACHE MASK
TRIAL AS STARTING POINT ON
WEANING TIME TEMPLATE
(APPENDIX 2) TO CREATE WEANING

PLAN INCLUDE REST DAYS ON THURSDAY AND SUNDAY

E.G. 1 HOUR START AT POINT 1, 3
HOURS START AT POINT 3. CLINICIAN
DISCRETION TO EXCLUDE STEPS

CONTINUE UNTIL MANAGING 12 HOURS ON TRACHE MASK CONTINUOUSLY

### STEP 5

ASSESS SUITABILITY FOR WEANING VIA NIV IF NOT CONTINUE USING TEMPLATE UNTIL ON 24 HOURS CONTINOUSLY; CLINICIAN DISCRETION TO EXCLUDE STEPS

# FAILURE TO WEAN CHECKLIST

# LOAD

Bronchospasm

Left ventricular failure

Sepsis

Fever

Seizures

Other causes of increased basal metabolic rate

**Excessive secretions** 

Hyperinflation Pleural effusion/pneumothorax

Abdominal distension with upward displacement of the diaphragm

# CAPACITY OF RESPIRATORY PUMP

Treat pain and discomfort

Treat abdominal discomfort

Optimise positioning

Look for diaphragmatic paralysis

Have muscle relaxants worn off?

Muscle weakness

# DRIVE

Sedation

CNS disease

Hypercapnia

# **CONSIDER**

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Anxiety

Sensory overload/deprivation

Communication

Depression

Motivation: Is the patient motivated to wean?

Are there any signs of depression that could be treated?

Has a normal sleep wake cycle been established Malnourished or metabolically disturbance

# **OPTIMISE STRENGTH**

Neuropathy

Disuse atrophy

Nutrition

Rest/sleep

Electrolytes

# DURATIONS & TIMING FOR WEANING VIA TRACHE MASK FOR PATIENTS WITHOUT AN ARTERIAL LINE

- 1. THE PATIENT SHOULD BE ADEQUATELY RESTED IN BETWEEN THE TRACHE MASK TRIALS (TM) AND OVERNIGHT. I.E. NORMAL PH & RR<24.
- 2. TM TRIAL SHOULD BE DONE CUFF DOWN WITH A SPEAKING VALVE IF TOLERATED
- 3. FOR THE INITIAL TM TRIAL, PARAMETERS TO STOP THE TRIAL MUST BE SET e.g. RR, ETC02, PATIENT COMFORT.
- 4. USE THIS INITIAL DURATION AS THE START POINT FOR THE TM TRIALS I.E. 3 HOURS START AT POINT 3
- 5. REST DAYS (THURSDAY & SUNDAY) MAYBE INCLUDED FOR THOSE ON THE FAILURE TO WEAN PATHWAY
- 6. ONCE POINT 6 IS REACHED IPPB VIA THE SERVO I SHOULD BE INSTIGATED 2-4 HOURLY

Point	AM	PM
	Trache Mask Trial	Trache Mask Trial
1.	1 hour	1hour
2.	2 hours	2 hours
3.	09.00-12.00 (3hours)	18.00-21.00 (3 hours)
4.	09.00-13.00 (4 hours)	17.00-21.00 (4 hours)
5.	09.00-14.00 (5 hours)	17.00-21.00 (4 hours)
6.	09.00-15.00 (6 hours)	
7.	09.00-16.00 (7 hours)	
8.	09.00-17.00 (8 Hours)	
9.	09.00-19.00 (10 hours)	
10.	09.00-21.00 (12 hours)	
11.	06.00-00.00 (18 hours)	
12.	All day all night	

# **APPENDIX 3**

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