

What medications and nursing interventions/treatments will you anticipate?

- if pt. desats, we will expect to see them put on oxygen.
- steroid shot to boost lung development
- PO - TPN feedings

How will you know your patient is improving?

- weight gain
- steady O₂ sats > 95% on RA
- normal ABG / chest X-ray.
- switch to bottle feedings

What are risk factors for the diagnosis?

- low gestational age
- male predominance
- maternal diabetes
- perinatal depression

What are the long-term complications?

- ventilation
- ↑ risk for respiratory infection
- long term supplemental O₂.
- bronchopulmonary dysplasia.

What patient teaching for management and/or prevention can the nurse do?

- smoke free home when d/c
- follow up visits when d/c.
- nurses can closely monitor O₂ levels & catch any drops in O₂.
- slow feeding
- positioning