

**N311 Care Plan 5**

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### Demographics (5 points)

<b>Date of Admission</b> 11/13/2024	<b>Client Initials</b> MF	<b>Age</b> 57	<b>Gender</b> Male
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b> White	<b>Occupation</b> Disability	<b>Marital Status</b> Single	<b>Allergies</b> No known allergies
<b>Code Status</b> Full Code	<b>Height</b> 5'11"	<b>Weight</b> 145	

### Medical History (5 Points)

**Past Medical History:** Alpha 1- antitrypsin deficiency, chronic lung disease, lung abscess, osteoporosis, oxygen dependent, and sleep apnea

**Past Surgical History:** Hemorrhoid surgery, thoracoscopy

**Family History:** Alpha 1- antitrypsin deficiency in maternal uncle, and mom, mother also has cancer

**Social History (tobacco/alcohol/drugs including frequency, quantity and duration of use):**  
Former smoker, no use of drugs or alcohol

### Admission Assessment

**Chief Complaint (2 points):** Shortness of breath for the last 2-3 days, productive cough

**History of Present Illness – OLD CARTS (10 points):**

Patient presented to the emergency department complaining of shortness of breath for about the last week, stating that he also has a productive cough. Patient states that it is constant but get worse as he gets up and moves around. Patient also states that the only thing that help is sitting and resting for about 3-4 hours at a time. Patient claims that he has been taking antibiotics for this condition, but they have not been working. Stating that is why he finally decided to come to the emergency department.

### Primary Diagnosis

**Primary Diagnosis on Admission (3 points): COPD**

**Secondary Diagnosis (if applicable): None Provided**

**Pathophysiology of the Disease, APA format (20 points):**

Diverse receptors regulate the mechanism, pace, and depth of respiration during both inspiration and expiration. Central chemoreceptors, situated in the medulla, detect variations in carbon dioxide levels and blood pH, leading to modifications in the rate and depth of breathing (Capriotti 2024). An elevation in CO<sub>2</sub> or a reduction in pH activates the central chemoreceptors which results in increased breathing. Peripheral chemoreceptors, located in the aortic arch and carotid artery, primarily respond to a reduction in arterial oxygen levels (Capriotti 2024). A diminished oxygen concentration in the blood is detected by peripheral chemoreceptors, which activate respiration this phenomenon is known as hypoxic drive. (Capriotti 2024). A hypoxic drive predominates when CO<sub>2</sub> buildup fails to stimulate the medulla to regulate respiration, as observed in conditions like chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (Capriotti 2024). Signs and symptoms include difficulty in respiration, particularly with physical exertion. Audible wheezing or whistling during respiration, persistent cough that may produce significant mucous (Mayo clinic 2024). The mucus might be clear, white, yellow, or greenish in color, fatigue or diminished energy levels. Recurrent pulmonary infections and unintentional weight loss (Mayo Clinic 2024).

**Pathophysiology References (2) (APA):**

Mayo Foundation for Medical Education and Research. (2024a, August 30). *COPD*.

Mayo Clinic. <https://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/copd/symptoms-causes/syc-20353679>

Capriotti, T. (2024). *Davis Advantage for pathophysiology: Introductory concepts and clinical perspectives*. F.A. Davis Company.

**Laboratory Data (20 points)**

**\*If laboratory data is unavailable, values will be assigned by the clinical instructor\***

**CBC Highlight All Abnormal Labs**—Explanations must be in complete sentences and contain in-text citations in APA format.

Lab	Normal Range	Admission Value 11/13/24	Today's Value Not Completed	Reason for Abnormal Value
RBC	3.8-5.3	4.62	Not Completed	
Hgb	12-15.8	13.7	Not Completed	
Hct	36-47%	42.3	Not Completed	
Platelets	140-440	263	Not Completed	
WBC	4-12	7.90	Not Completed	
Neutrophils	47-73%	92.3	Not Completed	Patient's levels are most likely high related to stress (Pagana 2024).
Lymphocytes	18-42%	5.0	Not Completed	Patient's levels are most likely low related to the corticosteroid the patient is taking (Pagana 2024).
Monocytes	4-12%	2.4	Not Completed	Patient's levels are more than likely low related to the corticosteroid the patient is taking (Pagana 2024).
Eosinophils	0-5%	.1	Not Completed	
Bands	Not Completed	Not Completed	Not Completed	

**Chemistry Highlight All Abnormal Labs**—Explanations must be in complete sentences and contain in-text citations in APA format.

Lab	Normal Range	Admission Value 11/13/2024	Today's Value Not	Reason For Abnormal
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			Completed	
Na-	136-145	144	Not Completed	
K+	3.5-5.1	3.9	Not Completed	
Cl-	98-107	105	Not Completed	
CO2	22-30	31	Not Completed	Patient most likely has a elevated CO2 level related to the emphysema expressed with COPD (Pagana 2024),
Glucose	70-99	143	Not Completed	Patient most likely has an elevated glucose level related to stress among first admission testing (Pagana 2024).
BUN	10-20	22	Not Completed	Patient has a high BUN level related to his medication, Doxycycline hyclate (Pagana 2024).
Creatinine	.6-1.00	.87	Not Completed	
Albumin	3.5-5.0	4.2	Not Completed	
Calcium	8.7-10.5	9.2	Not Completed	
Mag	Not Completed	Not Completed	Not Completed	
Phosphate	Not Completed	Not Completed	Not Completed	
Bilirubin	Not Completed	Not Completed	Not Completed	
Alk Phos	40-150	59	Not Completed	

Urinalysis **Highlight All Abnormal Labs**—Explanations must be in complete sentences and contain in-text citations in APA format.

No urinalysis was completed

Lab Test	Normal Range	Value on Admission	Today's Value	Reason for Abnormal
Color & Clarity				

<b>pH</b>				
<b>Specific Gravity</b>				
<b>Glucose</b>				
<b>Protein</b>				
<b>Ketones</b>				
<b>WBC</b>				
<b>RBC</b>				
<b>Leukoesterase</b>				

Cultures **Highlight All Abnormal Labs**—Explanations must be in complete sentences and contain in-text citations in APA format.

No cultures were completed

<b>Test</b>	<b>Normal Range</b>	<b>Value on Admission</b>	<b>Today's Value</b>	<b>Explanation of Findings</b>
<b>Urine Culture</b>				
<b>Blood Culture</b>				
<b>Sputum Culture</b>				
<b>Stool Culture</b>				

Lab Correlations Reference (1) (APA):

Pagana, K., Pagana, T., & Pagana, T. (2023). *Mosby's Diagnostic and Laboratory Test Reference*. Elsevier.

**Diagnostic Imaging**

**All Other Diagnostic Tests (10 points):** A chest X-RAY was completed, and results confirm that severe emphysema is present and indicated as being a condition on COPD. A chest X-RAY can show multiple conditions such as indications of COPD (Pagana 2024).

**Diagnostic Imaging Reference (1) (APA):**

Pagana, K., Pagana, T., & Pagana, T. (2023). *Mosby's Diagnostic and Laboratory Test Reference*. Elsevier.

**Current Medications (10 points, 2 points per completed med)**  
**\*5 different medications must be completed\***

**Medications (5 required)**

<b>Brand/ Generic</b>	alprazolam	Doxycycline hyclate	Enoxaparin sodium	budesonide	Arformoterol tartrate
<b>Dose</b>	1mg	100mg	40mg	250mcg	15mcg
<b>Frequency</b>	3x daily PRN	2x daily	Once daily	2x daily	2x daily
<b>Route</b>	oral	oral	subcutaneous	nebulization	nebulization
<b>Classification</b>	Pharmacological: Benzodiazepine Therapeutic: Anxiolytic	Pharmacological: tetracycline Therapeutic: antibiotic	Pharmacological: low-molecular weight heparin Therapeutic: anticoagulant	Pharmacological: corticosteroid Therapeutic: antiasthmatic, anti-inflammatory	bronchodilators
<b>Mechanism of Action</b>	Increases the effect of inhibitory neurotransmitters which help	Passes through bacterial lipid bilayer to bind to transfer	Potentiates the action of antithrombin by binding to antithrombin	Inhibits inflammatory cells from the body to decreased to	In patients with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD),

	<b>control emotions behaviors (Jones and Bartlett).</b>	<b>RNA to inhibit bacterial protein synthesis (Jones and Bartlett).</b>	<b>n III rapidly binds to inactivate clotting factors (Jones and Bartlett).</b>	<b>inflammation within the respiratory tract allowing the lungs to open more (Jones and Bartlett).</b>	<b>which includes emphysema and chronic bronchitis, arformoterol is utilized as a long-term maintenance treatment for air flow obstruction (Mayo clinic 2024).</b>
<b>Reason Client Taking</b>	<b>anxiety</b>	<b>To treat inhalation anthrax exposure</b>	<b>to prevent DVT</b>	<b>COPD</b>	<b>COPD</b>
<b>Contraindications (2)</b>	<b>Acute angle-closer glaucoma (Jones and Bartlett).</b>  <b>Hypersensitive to alprazolam (Jones and Bartlett),</b>	<b>Hypersensitive to doxycycline (Jones and Bartlett).</b>  <b>Hypersensitive to other tetracyclines (Jones and Bartlett).</b>	<b>Active major bleeding (Jones and Bartlett).</b>  <b>History of heparin-induced thrombocytopenia within the last 100 days (Jones and Bartlett).</b>	<b>Septal ulcer (Jones and Bartlett).</b>  <b>Acute asthma episodes (Jones and Bartlett).</b>	<b>Amphetamine (Mayo clinic 2024)</b>  <b>Dextroamphetamine (Mayo clinic 2024)</b>
<b>Side Effects/Adverse Reactions (2)</b>	<b>Apnea (Jones and Bartlett).</b>  <b>Respiratory depression (Jones and Bartlett).</b>	<b>intercranial hypertension (Jones and Bartlett).</b>  <b>Pericarditis (Jones and Bartlett).</b>	<b>Dyspnea (Jones and Bartlett).</b>  <b>Pulmonary edema or embolism (Jones and Bartlett).</b>	<b>Bronchospasm (Jones and Bartlett).</b>  <b>Respiratory tract infection (Jones and Bartlett).</b>	<b>Chest pain (Mayo clinic 2024)</b>  <b>Anxiety (Mayo clinic 2024)</b>

**Medications Reference (1) (APA):**

Mayo Foundation for Medical Education and Research. (n.d.). *Arformoterol (inhalation route)*. Mayo Clinic.

<https://www.mayoclinic.org/drugs-supplements/arformoterol-inhalation-route/description/drg-20069263>

2024 NDH Nurse's Drug Handbook. (2024). . Jones & Bartlett Learning.

**Assessment**

Physical Exam (18 points) – **HIGHLIGHT ALL PERTINENT ABNORMAL FINDINGS**

<b>GENERAL:</b> Alertness: x4 Orientation: x4 Distress: no signs of distress Overall appearance: well groomed	
<b>INTEGUMENTARY:</b> Skin color: fair Character: warm, dry Temperature: warm Turgor: no tenting Rashes: No Bruises: No Wounds: No Braden Score: 21 Drains present: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Type:	
<b>HEENT:</b> Head/Neck: Symmetrical, no bumps, or lesions Ears: Normal, no pain or bumps Eyes: white sclera, and pink conjunctiva Nose: Symmetrical no signs of deviation Teeth: Good condition, patient's states has a dry mouth related to oxygen	Patient is on 6L/Min of oxygen but refused humidity .
<b>CARDIOVASCULAR:</b>	.

<p><b>Heart sounds: S1 and S2 present</b>  <b>S1, S2, S3, S4, murmur etc.</b>  <b>Cardiac rhythm (if applicable): Normal</b>  <b>Peripheral Pulses: 2+</b>  <b>Capillary refill: less than 3 seconds</b>  <b>Neck Vein Distention: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></b>  <b>Edema Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></b>  <b>Location of Edema:</b></p>	
<p><b>RESPIRATORY:</b>  <b>Accessory muscle use: Y <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/></b>  <b>Breath Sounds: Location, character</b>  <b>Hear to hear, diminished, patient is on</b>  <b>6l/min of O2</b></p>	<p>Patient has Alpha 1 antitrypsin deficiency making to, so he is susceptible to multiple breathing condition such as COPD.</p>
<p><b>GASTROINTESTINAL:</b>  <b>Diet at home: Patient states he does not follow any specific diet at home</b>  <b>Current Diet: Patient states that he is not on a diet currently while being in the hospital either</b>  <b>Height: 5'11"</b>  <b>Weight: 145</b>  <b>Auscultation Bowel sounds: active, normal 5-34 sounds</b>  <b>Last BM: does not know, before admission</b>  <b>Palpation: Pain, Mass etc.: no pain or lumps or organomegaly</b>  <b>Inspection:</b>  <b>Distention: no</b>  <b>Incisions: no</b>  <b>Scars: no</b>  <b>Drains: no</b>  <b>Wounds: no</b>  <b>Ostomy: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></b>  <b>Nasogastric: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></b>  <b>Size:</b>  <b>Feeding tubes/PEG tube Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></b>  <b>Type:</b></p>	<p>.</p>
<p><b>GENITOURINARY:</b>  <b>Color: clear</b>  <b>Character: non cloudy</b>  <b>Quantity of urine: normal output</b>  <b>Pain with urination: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></b>  <b>Dialysis: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></b>  <b>Inspection of genitals: good condition</b>  <b>Catheter: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></b></p>	

Type: Size:	
<b>MUSCULOSKELETAL:</b> Neurovascular status: good ROM: good range of motion no pain or weakness Supportive devices: no Strength: strong bilaterally ADL Assistance: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fall Risk: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fall Score: 4 Activity/Mobility Status: independent Independent (up ad lib) <input type="checkbox"/> x Needs assistance with equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Needs support to stand and walk <input type="checkbox"/>	.
<b>NEUROLOGICAL:</b> MAEW: Y <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> PERLA: Y <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> Strength Equal: Y <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/> if no - Legs <input type="checkbox"/> Arms <input type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/> Orientation: good Mental Status: good, no signs of depression Speech: good Sensory: good LOC: normal	.
<b>PSYCHOSOCIAL/CULTURAL:</b> Coping method(s): watching Tv, talking to family Developmental level: Normal Religion & what it means to pt.: Catholic Personal/Family Data (Think about home environment, family structure, and available family support): good family support at home	.

Vital Signs, 1 set (5 points) – **HIGHLIGHT ALL ABNORMAL VITAL SIGNS**

Time	Pulse	B/P	Resp Rate	Temp	Oxygen
0712	86	133/85	17	97.6	97

**Pain Assessment, 1 set (5 points)**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Scale</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Severity</b>	<b>Characteristics</b>	<b>Interventions</b>
<b>0756</b>	<b>word</b>	<b>none</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>97.6</b>	<b>No pain</b>

**Intake and Output (2 points)**

<b>Intake (in mL)</b>	<b>Output (in mL)</b>
<b>Normal intake orally</b>	<b>Normal voiding</b>

**Nursing Diagnosis (15 points)**

**\*Must be NANDA approved nursing diagnosis\***

<b>Nursing Diagnosis</b>	<b>Rationale</b>	<b>Interventions (2 per dx)</b>	<b>Outcome Goal (1 per dx)</b>	<b>Evaluation</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Include full nursing diagnosis with “related to” and “as evidenced by” components</li> <li>• Listed in order by priority – highest priority to lowest priority pertinent to this client</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explain why the nursing diagnosis was chosen</li> </ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How did the client/family respond to the nurse’s actions?               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Client response, status of goals and outcomes, modifications to plan.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Patient is at risk for dyspnea related to being oxygen dependent</li> </ol>	<p><b>This diagnosis was chosen related to the fact the patient is on 6L of O<sub>2</sub>, and if he</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Make sure nothing pinches the tubes supplying the oxygen (Phelps 2024).</li> <li>2. Make sure</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Have the patient not experience any shortness of breath.</li> </ol>	<p><b>Patient understood that always keeping oxygen on him in extremely important.</b></p>

of 6L/min.	were to take it off or run out of O2 he would have a difficult time breathing.	oxygen supply is not close to any flames or items that can spark and start a fire (Phelps 2024).		
2. Patient is at risk for impaired skin integrity related to immobility as evidence by shortness of breath with activity.	This is chosen because patient experiencing shortness of breath with actives making him sit around and be immobile for longer periods of time	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Use the Braden scale to continually assess risk as patient's condition changes (Phelps 2024).</li> <li>2. Inspect patient's skin every shift (Phelps 2024).</li> </ol>	1. No skin breakdown over his bony prominences.	Patient understood that even if he does not feel like getting up and walking around that it is important to at least change his position of rest every 2 hours.

#### Other References (APA):

Phelps, L. L. (n.d.). *Nursing Diagnosis Reference Manual, Twelfth Edition*.

VitalSource Bookshelf Online.

[https://wolterskluwer.vitalsource.com/reader/books/9781975201609/epubcfi/](https://wolterskluwer.vitalsource.com/reader/books/9781975201609/epubcfi/6/34[%3Bvnd.vst.idref%3Da16_chapter09]!/4/636/4/4/6?page_364/1:0[%2Cp.%20])

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#### Concept Map (23 Points)

### Subjective Data

6L of O2 per minute indicate that the patient has a heard time breath on there own  
**Patient states that his shortness of breath gets worse with movement**

Patient does not get up on his own

### Objective Data

Patient is a 57-year-old man that has a condition called alpha 1- antitrypsin deficiency making him prone to lung issues, such as COPD and chronic lung disease. Patient has a good support system in place at home and is handling his condition well with meds,

### Client Information

### Nursing Diagnosis/Outcomes

- 1. Make sure nothing pinches the tubes supplying the oxygen (Phelps 2024). 2. Make sure oxygen supply is not close to any flames or items that can spark and start a fire (Phelps 2024).**
- 2. Use the Braden scale to continually assess risk as patient's condition changes (Phelps 2024).  
Nursing Interventions -  
Inspect patient's skin every shift (Phelps 2024).**





