**RESPIRATORY MANAGED CLINICAL NETWORK**

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Respiratory MCN twitter:- [**NHSGGC Respiratory MCN**](https://twitter.com/respiratorymcn)[@respiratorymcn](https://twitter.com/respiratorymcn)

**Respiratory MCN instructions in relation to COVID pandemic November 2020**

**Covid Pneumonia- End of Life Oxygen on Compassionate Grounds**

**Patients with a clinical diagnosis of Covid Pneumonia who are nearing end of life should be considered for domicillary oxygen if they meet the following criteria in home setting:**

**1/ Sats <85% on Room Air**

**2/ Patient deemed not for escalation to hospital level care with DNA CPR in place**

**3/ Distressing Breathlessness not relived by opiates or benzodiazepines – for advice in relation to this please refer to Scottish Palliative Care Guidelines or contact –palliative care team 24 hour helpline**

[**https://www.palliativecareguidelines.scot.nhs.uk/guidelines/symptom-control/end-of-life-care-guidance-when-a-person-is-imminently-dying-from-covid-19-lung-disease.aspx**](https://www.palliativecareguidelines.scot.nhs.uk/guidelines/symptom-control/end-of-life-care-guidance-when-a-person-is-imminently-dying-from-covid-19-lung-disease.aspx)

**If these criteria are met and the patient is known to the palliative team then Oxygen can be requested via the palliative team.**

**Otherwise please refer to Community Respiratory Response Team via Sci Gateway or Trackcare to request oxygen- service is manned Mon to Saturday, 8am – 4pm**

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