At Barlow Respiratory Hospital, we provide the highest quality respiratory care. Our expert team of Barlow Physicians, Nurses and Therapists draw upon more than a century of respiratory health expertise. We are considered a leader in ventilator weaning, and specialize in serving patients with chronic critical illness and complex respiratory conditions who are dependent on a ventilator to take their next breath.

**THERAPIST-IMPLEMENTED PATIENT-SPECIFIC (TIPS®) PROTOCOL 2.0 **

*Physician order for TIPS® Protocol triggers Speech Therapist evaluation for Passy-Muir Speaking Valve

### DAILY WEANING EVALUATION (DWE)

*Do NOT proceed to weaning trials if any of the following are present:*

- Hemodynamic instability
- Vasopressor infusion used to stabilize blood pressure
- Systolic blood pressure < 90 mmHg
- Pulse < 50 or > 130 BPM or increase from baseline > 20
- Respiratory rate > 35 BPM
- O2 saturation < 90%
- Temp >100.4
- FiO2 > 0.5 or PEEP > 8
- Prominent accessory muscle use
- Spontaneous tidal volume <0.25 L

### A: SBT TRIALS

1. SBT as tolerated return to original ventilator settings after 4 hour trial
2. SBT as tolerated up to 8 hours, then return to prior ventilator settings
3. SBT as tolerated up to 12 hours, then return to prior ventilator settings
4. SBT as tolerated up to 16 hours, then return to prior ventilator settings
5. SBT as tolerated up to 20 hours, then return to prior ventilator settings
6. SBT as tolerated up to 24 hours

### B: CPAP/PS TRIALS

1. AC to CPAP 5 w/ PS 20 not to exceed 10-12 hours
2. CPAP w/ PEEP 5 / PS 18 not to exceed 10-12hours
3. CPAP w/ PEEP 5 / PS 16 not to exceed 10-12 hours
4. CPAP w/ PEEP 5 / PS 14 not to exceed 10-12 hours
5. CPAP w/ PEEP 5 / PS 12 not to exceed 10-12 hours
6. CPAP w/ PEEP 5 / PS 10 for 10-12 hours

**Continue to A: SBT Trials**

### C: SIMV/PS TRIALS

*Reduction of ventilator support: up to 3 steps per day at Q3h intervals*

**Reduction of SIMV:**
1. AC to SIMV 10 / PS 20
2. SIMV 8 / PS 20
3. SIMV 6 / PS 20
4. SIMV 4 / PS 20

**Reduction of PSV:**
5. SIMV 4 / PS 18
6. SIMV 4 / PS 16
7. SIMV 4 / PS 14
8. SIMV 4 / PS 12
9. SIMV 4 / PS 10

**Self Breathing Trials:**
10. 1 hour
11. 2 hours **(ABG with result to MD)**
12. 4 hours
13. 6 hours
14. 8 hours
15. 10 hours
16. 12 hours
17. 16 hours
18. 20 hours
19. 24 hours

### LEGEND / GLOSSARY

AC – Assist Control  CPAP – Continuous Positive Airway Pressure  PEEP – Positive End Expiratory Pressure
PS – Pressure Support  SBT – Self Breathing Trials  SIMV – Synchronized Intermittent Mandatory Ventilation
Passy-Muir Speaking Valve – commonly used to help patients speak more normally, attaches to the outside opening of the tracheostomy tube.
Ventilator Weaning – gradual withdrawal of mechanical breathing support through utilization of a variety of ventilator modes, periods of total spontaneous ventilation, and appropriate rest periods

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