

## 4<sup>th</sup> ABUJA PERINATAL SYMPOSIUM

*Let The Newborns Breathe!*

### Respiratory Support Systems

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**01**

Maintain  
adequate Tissue  
Oxygenation.

**02**

Reduce work of  
breathing

**03**

Prevent lung  
injury

# Overview of the Respiratory System

## Upper respiratory tract

Nasal cavity

Pharynx

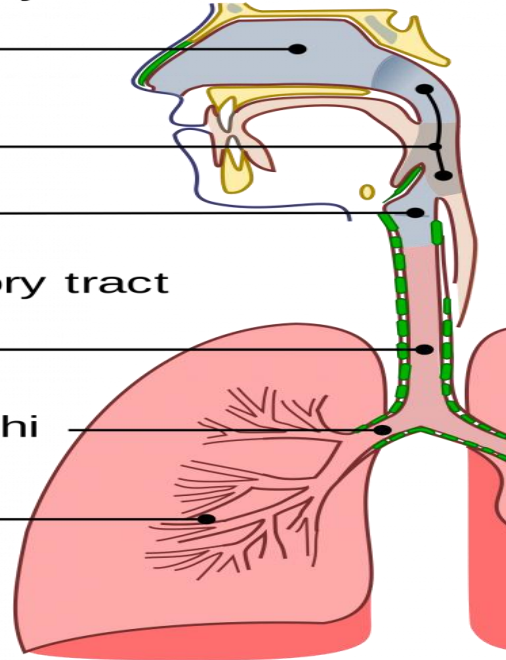
Larynx

## Lower respiratory tract

Trachea

Primary bronchi

Lungs



# Types of Respiratory Support systems

## Non-Invasive Respiratory Support

- Oxygen Therapy
- High Flow Nasal Cannula
- Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP: nCPAP, bCPAP)
- Bilevel Positive Airway Pressure (BiPAP)
- **Invasive Respiratory Support**
- Mechanical Ventilation
- Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation

# Oxygen Therapy in Newborns

- **Very Important, why?**
- Conditions that reduce tissue oxygenation can lead to respiratory failure
- Hypoxaemia can lead to cardiac arrest and death
- Supplemental oxygen can be life saving

## Sources of Oxygen

- Oxygen Concentrator
- Oxygen Cylinder
- Central Wall Piped Oxygen

# Oxygen Administration Devices

## Nasal Prongs (Nasal Cannulae)

- Ensure Appropriate size
- Humidify the Oxygen and clear mucus plugs
- Standard flow rates (0.5-1L)
- Delivers 30-35% Oxygen
- Aim SPO2 levels  $\geq 90-95\%$



# Oxygen Delivery Devices

## Head boxes, Incubator, Tents and Face Masks

- Non-Invasive
- Require high flow Oxygen to prevent rebreathing of exhaled air

## Devices

- Oxygen Splitter Equipment
- Pulse Oximeters (Hand held, fixed)

# Oxygen Splitter Device



# Pulse Oximeter with neonatal probe



## Steps in Oxygen Administration

- Ensure airway is clear
- Give O<sub>2</sub> with nasal prongs or nasal catheter @ 0.5L/min
- Assess after 15-30mins with Pulse Oximeter
- If less than 90%, escalate to 1L/min up to 2L/min
- If still below 90%, change to face mask and deliver oxygen @ 4L/min
- Consider CPAP if no improvement still.

# Indications to Wean Off and Steps

- Baby can maintain normal saturation and is stable clinically.

## How?

1. Reduce the flow rate by 0.5L/Min, recheck SPO2 every 15mins
2. If Saturation is good (Up to 90%) and clinically stable, reduce by 0.5L/Min and recheck SPO2 every 15mins
3. If Saturation drops below 90% and Baby clinically deteriorates, increase the oxygen flow until normal saturation is achieved and patient improves/

## CPAP

- Tissue Hypoxia can lead to Morbidity and Mortality
- Some conditions that affect Tissue Oxygenation may not improve with Supplemental Oxygen
- CPAP is a cost effective device that keeps airways open and increases alveolar recruitment
- Baby must be breathing Spontaneously.
- HR should be up to 100bpm

## Mechanism of Action

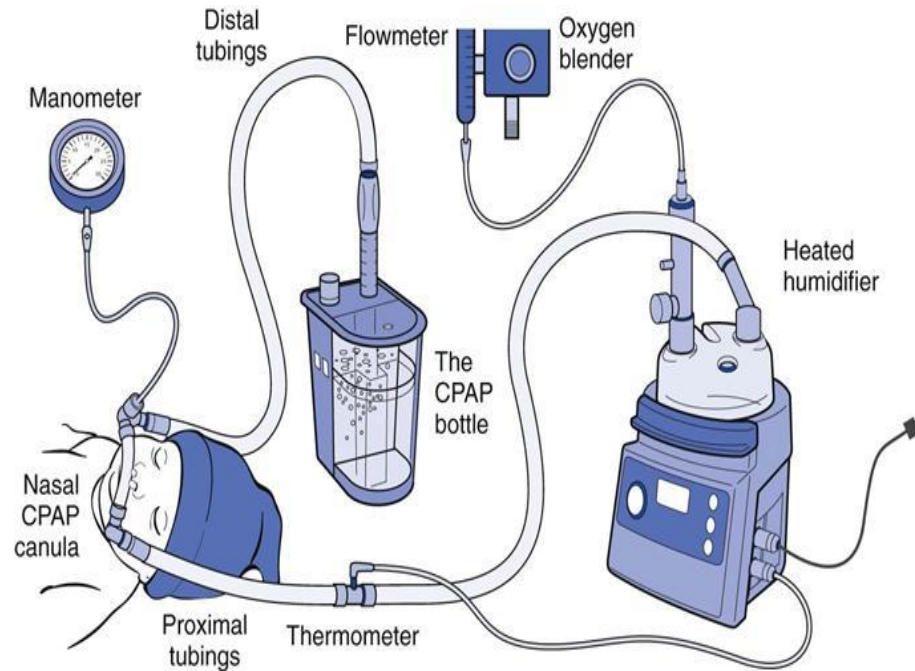
- Delivery of Mild Air Pressure
- Delivers PEEP that keeps alveolar patent at the end of expiration
- Indicated for infants in severe respiratory distress, hypoxaemia or bradypnoea despite supplemental oxygen.
- CPAP device requires a continuous oxygen airflow (Often air compressor) and usually an oxygen blender connected to the O2 source.
- A CPAP system requires reliable oxygen, adequately trained staff and close monitoring.



## Bubble CPAP system

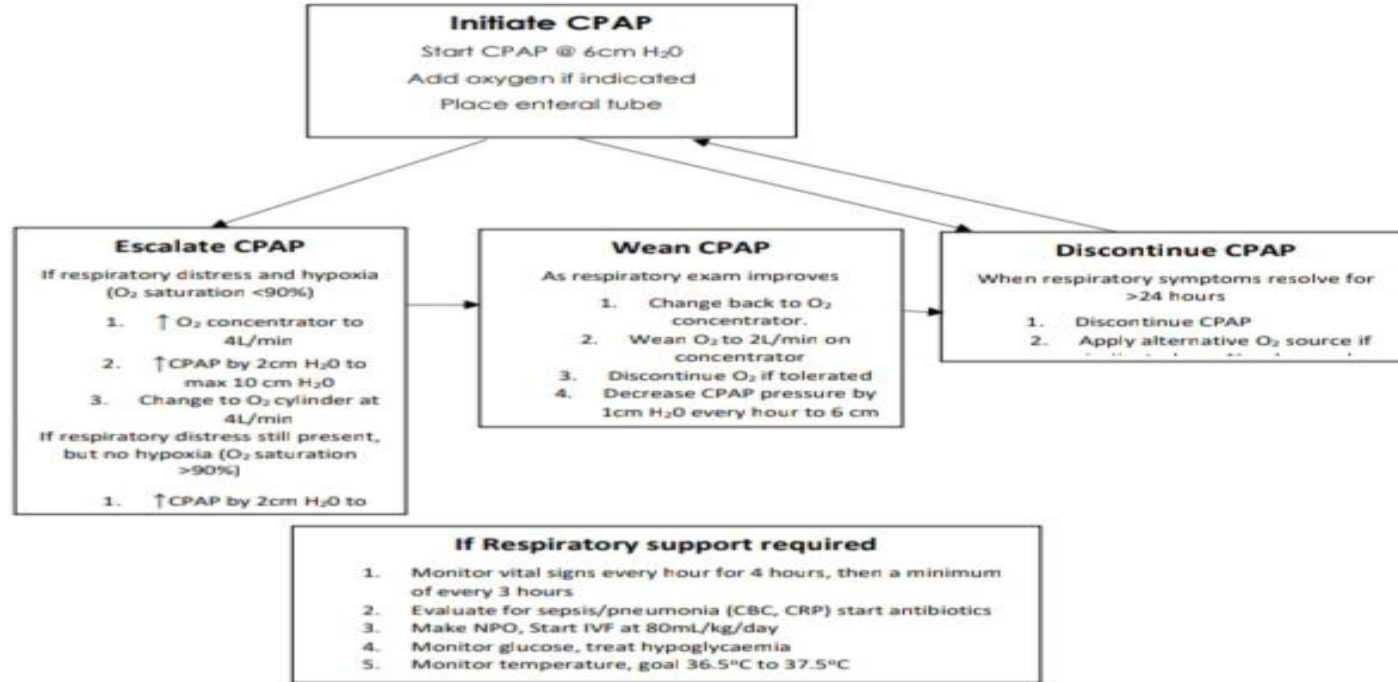
- Continuous gas flow into a circuit
- Nasal interface connecting baby to the circuit
- An expiratory limb submerged under water

# CPAP device with parts



# A CPAP device





**Figure 12.7:** An algorithm for the management of a newborn on CPAP

# Indications

- Increased work of breathing
- RDS
- Apnoea of prematurity
- After Neonatal Resuscitation
- Congenital Pneumonia
- Severe Transient Tachypnoea of the Newborn
- PPHN
- MAS (Without air trapping)
- NNS with severe resp distress
- Weaning off Mechanical ventilation

## Contraindications

- Upper airway anomalies: Coanal Atresia, Cleft palate, Unrepaired TEF
- Congenital diaphragmatic Hernia
- Severe CVS instability and impending respiratory failure
- Unstable respiratory drive
- Ventilatory failure (Inability to keep  $\text{Pa CO}_2 < 60\text{mmHg}$  or  $\text{PH} > 7.25$ )

## Procedure

- Assemble the machine, choosing the appropriate nasal prong and ensure functionality of device
- Prepare the baby (Wash hands and glove properly, suction mouth and nose, insert orogastric tube)
- Attach baby to the machine
- Set at 5-8cm H2O

## Weaning off CPAP

- Resp rate < 60cpm for 6hrs
- SPO2 >90% for >6hrs
- No grunting, recessions, flaring, apnoea or bradycardia.
- Reduce by 1cm of water ever 12-24hrs



# Complications

- Gastric Distension (CPAP Belly)
- Air leak syndrome
- Reduction of cardiac output
- Nasal obstruction from mucus
- Excoriations of the nose, septal distorsion, pressure necrosis, scarring
- Skin irritation of head and neck from improperly secured bonnets

# Mechanical Ventilation

- Non Invasive (HFNC)
- Invasive

## Mechanical Ventilation

- Delivery of flow and pressure to baby's airways to effect change in lung volume.
- A mechanical Ventilator is a machine that generates controlled flow of gas into a patient's airway and takes over the act of breathing.

# Indications for Mechanical Ventilators

- Apnoea
- Inadequate respiratory drive
- Circulatory failure.
- Cardiogenic shock
- Failed CPAP ( $\text{FiO}_2 > 0.6$ ,  $\text{PH} < 7.2$  after surfactant)
- Inability to protect airway (low GCS/BCS)
- Congenital anomalies (Diaphragmatic Hernia/ Large tumours)

# Mechanical Ventilator Parameters

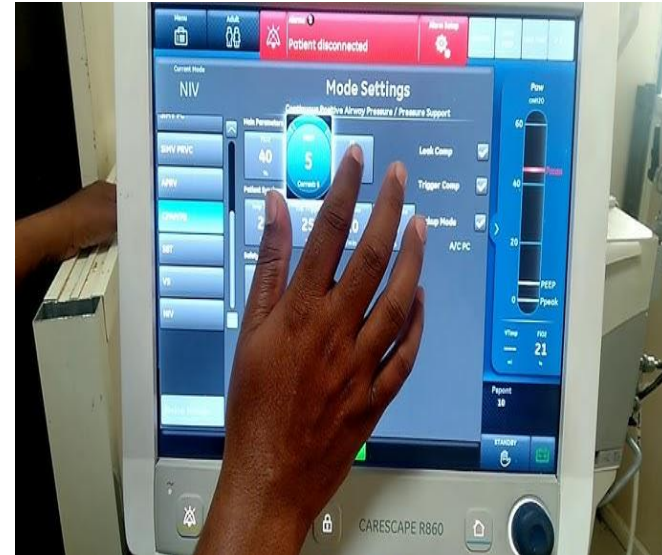
- Inspiratory Time ( $T_i$ )
- Expiratory Time ( $T_e$ )
- Inspiratory/Expiratory ratio I:E ratio
- RR.Frequency
- $FiO_2$
- Flow Rate ( $V_{insp}$  and  $V_{exp}$ )
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- Peak inspiratory pressure
- PEEP
- MAP (Mean Airway Pressure)
- Tidal Volume ( $V_T$ )
- Minute Volume

# Ventilator modes

## Generally

- SMV
- SIPPV
- PTV
- AC
- PC
- PSV
- VCV
- HFOV
- HFJV

- GE machines



## Ventilator Modes on GE machine

- Assist Control (AC): Ventilator Delivers a set of breaths and volume but patient can initiate additional breaths at their own rate.
- Pressure Support (PS): The ventilator provides pressure support during patient's own inspiratory effort, allowing for weaning from ventilation.
- Volume Control (VC): Ventilator delivers a set pressure with each breath.
- Synchronised Intermittent Mandatory Ventilation (SIMV): The ventilator delivers a set number of breaths, but the patient can also breathe spontaneously between the mandatory breaths.

# Monitoring

- Ensure Correct Settings
- Check the parameters
- Assess for ETT displacement
- Monitor Patient's clinical state
- Assess the baby on taking over (Appearance, RR.effort, adequacy and symmetry of chest)
- Document ventilator settings and parameters
- Note adequacy of humidification
- Set ventilator alarms appropriately
- Suction PRN
- Monitor SPO2
- Positioning and pressure/.



## Weaning Off Ventilator

- Improvement or resolution of indication
- Adequate gas exchange
- Low PEEP
- Low FiO<sub>2</sub>
- Presence of respiratory drive
- Stable Haemodynamic state

## Post Intubation Mgt

- Start Bcpap OF hfnc
- Commence Methylxanthine or Caffeine Citrate
- Systemic Steroids and Diuretics
- Supportive care: Anaemia correction, adequate nutrition, close monitoring
- Prone positioning to stabilize chest wall and improve diaphragmatic excursion.

# CONCLUSION

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- Respiratory Support is a life saving component of neonatal care
- Meticulous choice of support and appropriate monitoring and weaning off when indicated can reduce morbidity and mortality in newborn infants.

***Thank you for your time!***





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