Acute Non Invasive Ventilation
National Confidential Enquiry into Patient Outcome and Death (NCEPOD)

CLINICIAN QUESTIONNAIRE

DETAILS OF THE CLINICIAN COMPLETING THIS QUESTIONNAIRE

Grade: __________________________

What is this study about?
The aim is to explore the overall management of acute non invasive ventilation provided to patients and to look for avoidable and remediable factors in the care of these patients.

Inclusions
Patients aged 16 years or older who were admitted as an emergency for any reason to hospital between 01/02/15 - 31/03/15 inclusive and received NIV acutely.

Eligible cases were identified from the hospital central record system (using the OPCS code for NIV - E85.2). 5 cases per hospital have been selected for review.

Exclusions
1) Patients who received continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) or optiflow/high flow nasal oxygen rather than NIV (the same OPCS code is used for each of these)

2) Patients admitted to hospital who were already being treated with NIV at home

How to complete the form:
Information will be collected using two methods; box cross and free text, where your opinion will be requested.

This form will be electronically scanned. Please use a black or blue pen. Please complete all questions with either block capitals or a bold cross inside the boxes provided e.g.

Was a treatment escalation decision made?

☐ Yes  ☐ No

If you make a mistake, please “black-out” the incorrect box and re-enter the correct information, e.g.

☐ Yes  ☐ No

Questions or help?
If you have any queries about this study or this questionnaire, please contact:
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Further details available on our study web page:
http://www.ncepod.org.uk/niv.html

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire. The findings of the study will be published in summer 2017.

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<td>02 - Staff grade/Associate specialist/Speciality Doctor</td>
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<td>03 - Trainee with CCT</td>
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<td>05 - Junior specialist trainee (ST1 &amp; ST2 or CT equivalent)</td>
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<td>06 - Basic grade (HO/FY1, SHO/FY2, or equivalent)</td>
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<td>07 - Specialist Nurse (Nurse consultant, Nurse practitioner, Clinical nurse specialist)</td>
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<td>08 - Senior staff nurse, enrolled nurse (EN) etc</td>
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<td>09 - 1st level nurse, staff nurse (RGN)</td>
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<td>10 - Occupational therapist</td>
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<td>LEVEL 2: (e.g. HDU) Patients requiring more detailed observation or intervention including support for a single failing organ system or post operative care, and those stepping down from higher levels of care. (NB: When Basic Respiratory and Basic Cardiovascular support are provided at the same time during the same critical care spell and no other organ support is required, the care is considered to be Level 2 care).</td>
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<td>LEVEL 3: (e.g. ICU) Patients requiring advanced respiratory support alone or basic respiratory support together with support of at least two organs. This level includes all complex patients requiring support for multi-organ failure. (NB: Basic Respiratory and Basic Cardiovascular do not count as 2 organs if they occur simultaneously (see above under Level 2 care), but will count as Level 3 if another organ is supported at the same time).</td>
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<td>2 - walks slower than people of the same age on the level because of breathlessness or has to stop for breath when walking at own pace on the level</td>
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<td>3 - stops for breath after walking about 100m or after a few minutes on the level</td>
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<td>4 - too breathless to leave the house or breathless when dressing or undressing</td>
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<td>1 VERY FIT - people who are robust, active, energetic, and motivated. These people commonly exercise regularly. They are among the fittest for their age.</td>
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<td>2 WELL - people who have no active disease symptoms but are less than fit than category 1. Often, they exercise or are very active occasionally, e.g. seasonally.</td>
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<td>3 MANAGING WELL - people whose medical problems are well controlled, but are not regularly active beyond routine walking.</td>
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<td>4 VULNERABLE - while not dependent on others for daily help, often symptoms limit activities. A common complaint it being ‘slowed up’, and/or being tired during the day.</td>
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<td>5 MILDLY FRAIL - these people often have more evident slowing, and need help in high order IADLs (finances, transportation, heavy housework, medications). Typically, mild frailty progressively impairs shopping and walking outside alone, meal preparation and housework.</td>
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<td>6 MODERATELY FRAIL - people need help with all outside activities and with keeping house. Inside, they often have problems with stairs and need help with bathing and might need minimal assistance (cuing, standby) with dressing.</td>
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<td>7 SEVERELY FRAIL - completely dependent for personal care from whatever cause (physical or cognitive). Even so, they seem stable and not at high risk of dying (within 6 months of life).</td>
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<td>8 VERY SEVERELY FRAIL - completely dependent, approaching the end of life. Typically they could not recover even from a minor illness.</td>
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<td>9 TERMINALLY ILL - approaching the end of life. This category applies to people with a life expectancy &lt;6 months, who are not otherwise evidently frail.</td>
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## A. CASE SUMMARY

1. Please use the box below to provide a brief summary of this case, adding any additional comments or information you feel relevant. Please write clearly for the benefit of the case reviewers. You may also continue on the back page of this form.

   NCEPOD attaches great importance to this summary. Please give as much information as possible about the care of this patient.

## B. PATIENT DETAILS

2. Age (on day 1 of hospital admission): [ ] years

3. Gender [ ] Male [ ] Female

4. Height
   - [ ] cm
   - [ ] feet
   - [ ] inches
   OR [ ] Unknown

   first documented weight during this admission

5. Weight
   - [ ] kgs
   - [ ] st
   - [ ] lb
   OR [ ] Unknown

6. BMI
   - [ ] Unknown

7a. What was the tobacco smoking history of this patient?
   - [ ] Ex smoker
   - [ ] Never smoked
   - [ ] Current smoker (around the time of admission)
   OR [ ] Unknown

7b. If the patient has smoked, what is their smoking history?
   - [ ] pack years
   OR [ ] Unknown

8. What was the source of admission?:
   - [ ] Usual place of residence
   - [ ] Other NHS hospital: General ward/Emergency department
   - [ ] Temporary place of residence
   - [ ] Non NHS run hospital
   - [ ] Residential home
   - [ ] Care home: NHS/independent
   - [ ] Other - please state:
9a. Date of most recent lung function test prior to admission (if not available, please use first test post discharge)  
- [ ] Date unknown  
- [ ] Not applicable - no lung function test available  
- [ ] Value unknown  
- [ ] % predicted  
- [ ] Value unknown  

9b. FEV1 value (in litres)  
- [ ] Value unknown  
- [ ] % predicted  
- [ ] Value unknown  

9c. FVC value (in litres)  
- [ ] Value unknown  
- [ ] % predicted  
- [ ] Value unknown  

10. Known comorbidities at time of admission:  
- [ ] Coronary artery disease  
- [ ] Congestive cardiac failure  
- [ ] Chronic liver disease  
- [ ] Dementia  
- [ ] Diabetes mellitus Type 1  
- [ ] Diabetes mellitus Type 2  
- [ ] Hypertension  
- [ ] Metastatic cancer  
- [ ] Moderate or severe chronic kidney disease  
- [ ] Other (Please state):  

11. Rockwood clinical frailty scale score on admission (see definitions on page 2) - please estimate from your review of casenotes:  
- [ ] 1 - very fit  
- [ ] 2 - well  
- [ ] 3 - managing well  
- [ ] 4 - vulnerable  
- [ ] 5 - mildly frail  
- [ ] 6 - moderately frail  
- [ ] 7 - severely frail  
- [ ] 8 - very severely frail  
- [ ] 9 - terminally ill  

12. Normal level of mMRC breathlessness (i.e. prior to illness precipitating admission) - (see definitions on page 2)  
- [ ] Unable to assess  

13. Was the mMRC level:  
- [ ] Documented in the notes?  
- [ ] Yes  
- [ ] No  
- [ ] Estimated by you from other documentation?  
- [ ] Yes  
- [ ] No  

C. ADMISSION

If admitted via the Emergency Department, this is the time/date they were formally admitted on to a ward  

14. Time/date of first admission during study period:  
- [ ] Time unknown  
- [ ] Value unknown  
- [ ] Value unknown  

15. What was the mode of admission?  
- [ ] Emergency department (self referral)  
- [ ] Emergency department (arrived by ambulance)  
- [ ] GP referral to assessment unit  
- [ ] From outpatient clinic  
- [ ] Other (please state):  

- [ ] 2015  
- [ ] 2015
**EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT**

Please omit this section if the patient did not attend the emergency department

16. Time/date of ambulance arrival or arrival in ED:

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17a. Time/date of initial triage assessment:

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17b. Initial triage observations:

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18. Initial inspired oxygen concentration (%): or litres/minute:

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19. Oxygen delivered by:

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<th>Non re-breath device</th>
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20. Initial NEWS score: or NEWS score not used

21. Time/date of first clinical assessment (in ED):

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22. Healthcare professional who made initial assessment (please see page 2 for codes):

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**D. CARE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING ADMISSION**

23. Which ward was the patient admitted to?

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24. Admitting doctor (please see page 2 for codes):

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25. Time/date of first consultant review:

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26. Specialty of first consultant review (please see page 2 for codes):

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27. Which of the following treatments were prescribed/administered following admission? (within the first 4 hours)

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<td>Oxygen</td>
<td>Other sedatives (please state):</td>
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28a. Do you think oxygen toxicity contributed to hypercapnia? □ Yes □ No

28b. If YES, where was excess oxygen administered?

□ Before arrival in hospital  □ Emergency department  □ Hospital ward

29. To how many wards (excluding the emergency department) was the patient admitted before starting NIV? (0 if started in the ED)

30a. Did the patient require a ward transfer for treatment with NIV?

□ Yes - transferred before starting treatment  □ Yes - treatment initiated then transferred  □ No

30b. If YES, which ward were they transferred to?

□ Level 3 (e.g. ITU)  □ Level 2 (e.g. HDU)  □ Designated NIV unit (level 1)

□ Combined level 2/3 (e.g. HDU/ITU)  □ Other (please state)

E. LOCATION IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO STARTING NIV

31. Which location was the patient in immediately prior to starting NIV?

□ Medical Assessment Unit  □ Emergency Department  □ General Medical Ward

□ Surgical ward  □ Specialist Respiratory Ward  □ Designated NIV unit

□ Level 2 (e.g. HDU)  □ Level 3 (e.g. ICU)  □ Combined level 2/3 (e.g. HDU/ITU)

□ Other (please state):

F. NIV EPISODE

32. Time/date when NIV was started:

□ 24 hr clock  □ Time unknown  □ 2015  □ Date unknown

33. Indication for NIV (this episode):

□ Cardiogenic pulmonary oedema  □ Chest wall deformity  □ COPD

□ Obesity/hypoventilation syndrome  □ Neuromuscular disease  □ Not documented

□ Other (please state):

34a. Had the patient been ventilated for the same indication previously? □ Yes □ No □ Unknown

(If NO, please go to question 39 overleaf)

34b. If YES, was this a:

□ Previous acute NIV  □ Previous invasive ventilation

□ Date unknown

(if multiple previous episodes please give the date of the most recent previous episode)
35. How many acute NIV episodes were there in the 12 months prior to this admission? [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] Unknown

36. What was the date of discharge following the last episode? [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] 20 [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] Date unknown

37. Was the patient under the care of the respiratory team during the last episode? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] Unknown

38a. Did respiratory outpatient follow up occur following the last episode? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] Not documented

38b. If YES, what was the time interval following discharge (days)? [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] Not documented

38c. If NO, was this due to: [ ] Patient readmitted prior to follow up [ ] No follow up arranged [ ] Recurrent attender no follow up needed [ ] Patient failed to keep appointment [ ] Other (please state): [ ]

39. Time/date of chest X-ray closest to the start of NIV (current admission)

   [ ] [ ] [ ] 24 hr clock [ ] Time unknown [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] 2015 [ ] Not done

40. Did the chest X-ray show consolidation? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] Not documented

41. What were the results of other investigations prior to or immediately after starting NIV (this episode)?
   White blood cell count value [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] Test not performed
   C-Reactive Protein value: [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] Test not performed

42. Was the patient febrile (38C and above)? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] Unknown

43. Prior to initiation of NIV, was there a documented plan for action in the event of treatment failure? [ ] Yes [ ] No

44. Location of NIV delivery:

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<th>Where was NIV continued? (please tick all that apply)</th>
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45a. Do you consider that non-ventilator management was appropriate prior to starting NIV?
☐ Yes ☐ No

45b. If NO, do you think NIV could have been avoided?
☐ Yes ☐ No

45c. If NO to Q45a, please expand upon your answer:

46. Doctor who made decision to initiate NIV: Grade: ☐ ☐ Specialty: ☐ ☐ ☐ Not documented
(please see page 2 for codes):

47. Who set up the NIV machine (codes including nursing, physio, medical) -
Grade: ☐ ☐ Specialty: ☐ ☐ ☐ Not documented
(please see page 2 for codes):

48. Who adjusted the mask and headgear?
Grade: ☐ ☐ Specialty: ☐ ☐ ☐ Not documented

49a. Do you consider there was a delay in starting NIV?
☐ Yes ☐ No

49b. If YES, was this due to:
☐ Failure to recognise need for NIV ☐ Lack of equipment
☐ Patient required transfer to another clinical area ☐ Other (please state):

49c. If YES, please estimate the length of delay (in minutes):

50. Dates/times that patient was first seen by respiratory staff:

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51. Did a respiratory consultant review result in:

51a. Change in ventilator settings:
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not seen by respiratory consultant ☐ Not documented

51b. If YES, please explain:

51c. Change in non-ventilator treatments/management:
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not seen by respiratory consultant ☐ Not documented

51d. If YES, please explain:
52. **Blood gas analysis (please use temperature corrected values if available; if not arterial sample, please tick capillary box (column at end right)**

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<th>Date</th>
<th>Time (24 hr clock)</th>
<th>Inspired oxygen (flow rate or %)</th>
<th>blood pH (or H+)</th>
<th>pCO2 (kPa)</th>
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<th>HCO3 (mEq/L)</th>
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<td>Immediately prior to initiation of NIV episode (if different from first sample)</td>
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<td>At or closest to 4 hours</td>
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<td>When pH first normalised</td>
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53. **Ventilator prescription/settings (pressures in cmH2O)**

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<th>Inspiratory pressure (IPAP) (cmH20)</th>
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<td>Maximum inspiratory pressure delivered</td>
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53. What target saturation was prescribed on NIV?  
- 88-92%  
- 94-98%  
- Other value  
- Not prescribed

54a. Was the target saturation achieved?  
- Yes  
- No, too high  
- No, too low  
- Not applicable

54b. If NO, please expand upon your answer:

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55. How was oxygen administered while on NIV?  
- Entrained through mask/tubing  
- Pre-mixed through ventilator  
- Oxygen not administered

56. Who was responsible for changing the ventilator settings (please tick all that apply)  
- Ward nursing staff  
- Physiotherapist team  
- Junior medical staff  
- Respiratory consultant  
- Respiratory ST3+  
- Critical care outreach nurse  
- Respiratory specialist nurse  
- Other (please state):

57. How was the decision made to adjust the ventilator settings?  
- Clinical assessment  
- According to standard protocol  
- Blood gas analysis

58. Observations whilst on NIV:

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59. Please provide an estimate of how much NIV was used in the first 24 hours?  
- [ ] hours  
- Not documented

60. Were any of the following documented? (please tick all that apply)  
- Mask leak  
- Poor synchronisation with ventilation  
- Patient discomfort/NIV poorly tolerated
61a. In your opinion, was NIV discontinued at the appropriate time?  
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

61b. If NO, please expand upon your answer:

63a. In your opinion, were there any aspects of NIV treatment that could have been improved?  
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unable to tell

63b. If YES, please expand upon your answer:

64. What was the outcome of NIV (please only tick one box)
☐ Success - clinical improvement with normalisation of pH to >7.35
☐ Success - clinical improvement and cessation of NIV: no blood gas confirmation
☐ Failure - remained acidotic pH <7.35 AND hypercapnic CO2 >6kPa
☐ Failure - proceeded to intubation
☐ Failure - treatment withdrawn

65. If NIV failed, what was the primary reason for this (please only tick one box)
☐ Severe disease, difficult to ventilate: failed despite optimal ventilation
☐ General intolerance including agitation
☐ Specific mask intolerance e.g. pain, claustrophobia
☐ Patient deterioration e.g. conscious level or pCO2
☐ Excessive secretions
☐ Unable to stop excessive leaks
☐ Other (please state):
☐ No data/not recorded

66a. Was sedation used to improve tolerance of NIV?  
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not recorded

66b. If YES, what was the route of administration?  
☐ Intravenous ☐ Oral ☐ Subcutaneous

66c. If YES, please provide details of the sedation used:

67. How was the effect of sedation monitored?  
☐ GCS ☐ AVPU ☐ Not applicable
☐ Other (please state):
68a. Were there any complications of NIV?  
☐ None  ☐ Local pressure sores  ☐ Pneumothorax  
☐ Other (please state): 

68b. If local pressure sores occurred, please state grade of ulcer (1-4)  
☐  ☐ Not documented

69. Were there any adverse events related to the NIV episode?  
☐ No adverse events documented  ☐ Accidental disconnection of oxygen  
☐ Accidental disconnection of ventilator  ☐ Other (please state): 

G. ESCALATION AND CRITICAL CARE

70. Did the patient have an advance directive in place?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No  ☐ Not documented

71a. Was a treatment escalation decision made?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No

71b. If YES, please state the time/date when the decision was made: 

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☐ Time unknown  ☐ Date unknown

71c. If YES, was this (please tick all that apply): 

☐ For CPR  ☐ Not for CPR  ☐ Other (please state): 

☐ For invasive ventilation  ☐ Not for invasive ventilation

☐ For critical care  ☐ Not for critical care

71d. If YES to 71a above, in your opinion, was the decision on escalation appropriate?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No

71e. If NO to 71d, please expand upon your answer:


72a. Was escalation of treatment discussed with the patient?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No

72b. If not discussed, was the reason for this documented?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No

72c. If not discussed, was this due to the patient’s medical condition?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No

72d. If YES, please expand upon your answer:


73. Was treatment escalation discussed with the patient’s family (or other/next of kin?)  
☐ Yes  ☐ No

74. Doctor who made decision: (please see page 2 for codes):  
Grade:  
Specialty:  

75. If decision made by non-consultant, was the decision confirmed by a consultant?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No
76a. Was the patient referred for Level 2/3 (e.g. HDU/ITU) admission?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No

76b. If NO, in your opinion, do you think the patient should have been referred?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No

76c. If YES to 76b, please expand upon your answer

IF THE PATIENT WAS NOT REFERRED FOR HDU/ITU ADMISSION, PLEASE GO TO Q92

76d. If YES to 76a, please state the time/date of the request:

☐ 2015   ☐ Date unknown

77. Doctor requesting admission: (please see page 2 for codes):  
Grade:  ☐  ☐  ☐  ☐  Specialty:  ☐  ☐  ☐  ☐

78. Grade of critical care doctor responding to admission request:  
Grade:  ☐  ☐  ☐  ☐

79. Blood gas at time of referral to critical care:

Inspired oxygen (flow rate or %)  
☐ Not documented  pO2 (kPa)  ☐ Not documented

Blood pH (or H+)  pCO2 (kPa)  HCO3 (mEq/L)

Not documented  Not documented  Not documented

80a. Was the patient receiving NIV at the time of this blood gas?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No

80b. If YES:  
Inspired oxygen (flow rate or %)

☐ L/min  ☐  %  ☐ Not documented

Inspiratory pressure  ☐ %  Expiratory pressure  ☐ %

81. Conscious level at time of referral:  
☐ GCS  ☐ AVPU  A  V  P  U

alert, voice, pain, unresponsive

82a. Was the patient admitted to:  
☐ ITU  ☐ HDU  ☐ Mixed ITU/HDU  ☐ Not admitted

82b. If YES, please provide the date and time of this admission:

☐ 2015   ☐ Date unknown

82c. If NO, in your opinion, should the patient have been admitted?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No

82d. If YES to 82c above, please expand upon your answer

83. Which interventions did the patient receive in the critical care unit? (please tick all that apply)

☐ Invasive ventilation (intubation):  ☐ Arterial line  ☐ NIV

Date/time intubated:

☐ 2015   ☐ Date unknown
Date/time extubated:

[ ] Time unknown  [ ] 2015  [ ] Date unknown

[ ] Tracheostomy

Date/time inserted:

[ ] Time unknown  [ ] 2015  [ ] Date unknown

Date/time removed:

[ ] Time unknown  [ ] 2015  [ ] Date unknown

84. Critical care outcome:  [ ] Discharged to ward  [ ] Discharged home on NIV  [ ] Died

85. For patients admitted to and discharged from HDU/ICU: time/date of discharge from HDU/ICU:

[ ] Time unknown  [ ] 2015  [ ] Date unknown

86. Was the patient still receiving NIV on discharge from HDU/ICU?  [ ] Yes  [ ] No

87. Was the patient still receiving invasive ventilation on discharge from HDU/ICU (e.g. transferred to weaning centre)?  [ ] Yes  [ ] No

88. Was the patient discharged under the care of a respiratory specialist team?  [ ] Yes  [ ] No

89. Was the patient discharged to a respiratory specialist ward?  [ ] Yes  [ ] No

90. For patients not discharged to respiratory ward or under respiratory team, please describe arrangements for post HDU/ICU care:

91. Critical care blood gases:

91a. First blood gas on admission to critical care

[ ] 2015  [ ] Date

[ ] Time

[ ] % L/min

blood pH (or H+)  pCO2 (kPa)  pO2 (kPa)  HCO3 (mEq/L)

91b. Last blood gas prior to discharge from critical care

[ ] 2015  [ ] Date

[ ] Time

[ ] % L/min

blood pH (or H+)  pCO2 (kPa)  pO2 (kPa)  HCO3 (mEq/L)
H. DISCHARGE/DEATH

92. What was the discharge destination of the patient:

☐ Transferred to another hospital  ☐ Still an inpatient at 30 days
☐ Discharged home  ☐ Died
☐ Other (please state)

93. If discharged from hospital, what was the date of discharge?

☐ ☐ ☐ 2 0 1 5

d m m y y y

94. If the patient died, what was the date of death?

☐ ☐ ☐ 2 0 1 5

d m m y y y

95. Speciality of consultant responsible at time of discharge/death (please see page 2 for codes):

96a. Was the patient discharged on NIV?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No  ☐ Not documented

96b. If YES, what arrangements were made for ongoing NIV support? (please only tick one answer):

☐ Discharged by home NIV service  ☐ Inpatient transfer to NIV service
☐ Referred to home NIV service as outpatient on NIV  ☐ Other (please state):

☐ Referred to home NIV service awaiting NIV

96c. Was the patient discharged on home oxygen?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No  ☐ Not documented

97. If the patient was referred to home NIV service awaiting NIV (in question 96b above), what was the waiting time (if known)?

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

d d m m y y y

98a. Was there any delay in discharge?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No  ☐ N/A - patient died

98b. If YES, was this due to: (please tick all that apply):

☐ Waiting for social care  ☐ Waiting for transfer for home NIV
☐ Other (please expand upon your answer)

99. Was there a documented decision about appropriateness of NIV on future admissions?

☐ No  ☐ Yes  Date of documented decision  ☐ N/A - on NIV  ☐ N/A - patient died

☐ ☐ ☐ 2 0 1 5

d d m m

100. Was an advance care plan/treatment escalation plan documented prior to discharge or on follow up?

☐ Yes  ☐ No  Date plan was documented

☐ ☐ ☐ 2 0 1 5

d d m m

101. Was the palliative care team involved in the patient’s care during the admission?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No  ☐ Not documented
Please answer the following questions if the patient DIED during this admission:

102. Was death anticipated?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No  ☐ Not documented

103a. Was treatment withdrawn?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No  ☐ Not documented

103b. If YES, was treatment withdrawal discussed with (please only tick one answer):
☐ Patient  ☐ Relatives  ☐ Consultant physician

103c. If not discussed, please provide reasons:

104. Was CPR attempted?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No

105. What level ward was the patient on when they died?
☐ Level 0  ☐ Level 1  ☐ Level 2  ☐ Level 3  ☐ Not documented

106. What was the cause of death recorded as?
1a)

1b)

1c)

2)

107. Was this case reported to the coroner/procurator fiscal?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No  ☐ Unknown

108. Was a hospital or coronial/fiscal autopsy performed?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No  ☐ Unknown

109a. Was the death discussed in an M & M meeting?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No  ☐ Not documented

109b. If YES, were remediable factors in the care of this patient identified?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No

109c. If YES, what were the remediable factors and what action was taken?

110a. If the patient was not discussed at an M & M meeting, having now reviewed the case, in your opinion were there lessons to be learned?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No  ☐ Not documented

110b. If YES, please describe these:
111. Please provide the status of the patient at 1 year post discharge:

☐ Alive (please provide last date known to be alive)  YYYY-MM-DD

☐ Dead (please provide date of death if known)  YYYY-MM-DD

I. READMISSION

112a. Was the patient readmitted to your hospital within 30 days of the discharge date of the admission above?  Yes  No

112b. If YES, how many times was the patient readmitted to your hospital during the 30 day period?

112c. If YES, what was the date of the first readmission?

YYYY-MM-DD

J. FOLLOW UP

113. Was a follow up appointment arranged?  Yes  No

114. Specialty of follow up clinic (please see page 2 for codes):

115a. Did a follow up appointment take place?  Yes  No

115b. If YES, what was the date of the follow up appointment?

YYYY-MM-DD

115c. If NO, was this due to:  Readmission  Did not attend  Death  Other

If there is anything relating to the case that you would like to add, specifically regarding the NIV aspects of care during this admission, and how it impacted upon the patient’s overall healthcare, please do so here:

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