

# INSPIRED COPD OUTREACH PROGRAM™ REFERRAL FORM

Implementing a **N**ovel and **S**upportive Outreach **P**rogram of Individualized care for patients and families living with **RE**spiratory **D**isease

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## A patient is eligible for INSPIRED if <u>ALL</u> of the following criteria have been met:

A confirmed, pending, or suspected diagnosis of moderate to severe COPD (see reverse for details)
In the past year, greater than 1 visit to ED for AECOPD OR greater than or equal to 1 admission to the hospital for AECOPD
Not in long-term care or a residential care facility
Lives in catchment area (see reverse)
Is willing to be referred

Patient Name:		Address:	
Contact number:	DOB:	YY-MM-DD) HCN:	
Referral Date: (YYYY-MM-DD)	•	•	
Referral Source (please print):		Contact number:	
☐ Please cc correspondence to referri	ng clinician. <b>Fax:</b>		
Notes:			



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## **INSPIRED Program Information**

The INSPIRED program spans approximately six months and is arranged as follows:

- 1-4 Visits: Members of the team visit patients/families in their homes or a healthcare facility (when appropriate) to
  conduct assessments, provide and explain the COPD Action Plan, carry out self-management education, assess
  coping, provide/arrange for supports according to identified needs, and offer an opportunity to talk about advance care
  planning and complete a personal directive if desired.
- Phone follow up: A member of the team calls the patient/family periodically for the first year following the program visits
  to monitor coping, self-management, and the need for additional follow up, which may result in another home visit or a
  renewed Action Plan if needed.
- After that, INSPIRED provides additional follow up if requested by the patient or their health care team.

### **Indicators of Moderate and Severe COPD:**

- Moderate:
  - → Stops for breath after walking 100 meters
  - → Walks slower than contemporaries or has to stop for breath when walking at own pace
  - → FEV, 50-80%, FEV, / FVC less than 70%
- · Severe:
  - → SOB resulting in being too breathless to leave the house
  - → breathlessness after dressing/undressing
  - → chronic respiratory failure (PaCO<sub>2</sub> less than 45)
  - → clinical signs of right heart failure
  - → FEV, less than 50%, FEV, / FVC less than 70%

#### Catchment

· Call if unsure a patient is eligible or lives within catchment.

INSPIRED Office	Catchment Area
<b>Halifax</b> 902-719-6194	Halifax Regional Municipality including Eastern Shore and Middle Musquodoboit
<b>Windsor</b> 902-792-2061	Mount Uniacke to Windsor and surrounding area

### **Current and Previous Patient Readmissions or ED Visits:**

- · Patients who have completed their visits and scheduled calls are still eligible for additional follow up.
- It is not necessary to fill out a new referral form. You can just call and leave a voicemail with information about the readmission (e.g. patient's name, location, nature of concern and follow up requested, your contact number) and INSPIRED will follow up with the patient upon discharge.
- Many INSPIRED patients have Advance Care Planning discussions with family and friends and complete a Personal Directive. If an INSPIRED patient is admitted to your service, <u>please check the electronic medical record</u> to see if the patient has completed a Personal Directive.

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