



BREATHE – Community Respiratory Service



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Service overview



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- Specialist Respiratory Nurses working across the 6 Neighbourhoods in Barnsley providing:
 - Home visits
 - Clinic sessions
 - Advice, guidance and support for health professionals.
- 8am – 8pm service, 7 days per week.
- Respiratory Consultant provision, Monday to Friday mornings providing
 - Consultant clinics (Wednesday and Friday AM)
 - Home visits where required
 - Advice, guidance and support for health professionals.

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The service will assess and support people with:

- COPD
- Pneumonia
- LRTI with diagnosed respiratory condition or requiring specialist respiratory input.
- Asthma
- Bronchitis
- Respiratory rehabilitation pathways (including COVID management and rehabilitation)
- Cancer – EOL
- Other Chronic Respiratory conditions.

The service will provide:

- Home oxygen and nebulizer assessment and review
- Exacerbation support including crisis support and urgent advice to primary care.
- Early supported discharge and post-acute discharge support
- Admission avoidance care and support in patient's homes or long-term residence.

Service Exclusions (Please refer to appropriate services)

- Patients with Heart Failure
- Requests for hospital based O2 assessments
- Acute admission for chest infection (where the patient does not have a respiratory condition)

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Respiratory Consultant Provision



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- Dr Mark Longshaw (Monday – Wednesday am)
- Dr Akhtar Akhtar (working Thursday – Friday am)

Advice and guidance to primary care. **(Phone-based and Email) - 8:30-9:30am Monday to Friday.** Please phone the SPA on **01226 644575** and ask to speak to the respiratory consultant.

When to refer to the Respiratory Consultant community clinic: -

- Diagnostic uncertainty (please ensure spirometry / chest x-ray has already been undertaken to avoid any unnecessary delays in diagnosis and treatment).
- No history of cigarette smoking/noxious gas exposure.
- Mismatch between symptoms and objective tests.
- Confounding important co-morbidities.
- Any restrictive pattern on spirometry.
- Severe disease at presentation or rapidly declining symptoms or lung function.
- Onset of symptoms under 40 years of age or family history of alpha-1-antitrypsin deficiency.

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How to refer



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Please contact the Single Point of Access (SPA) via:

swy-tr.rightcarebarnsleyintegratedspa@nhs.net

Urgent / Crisis referrals or advice via phone: **01226 644575.**

Non-urgent advice and guidance queries can be sent to the service's specific email address: breathe.service@nhs.net.

Referral forms for the service are available on the clinical systems and BEST website.

Please **do not** make referrals to Breathe via the Electronic Referral Service (ERS/Choose and Book) at BHNFT.

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