



OUR LADY'S CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, CRUMLIN

Nursing care plan 2

Ineffective Breathing

(All care plans must be used in conjunction with care plan 1)

Care plan 2 Problem		Ineffective Breathing Goals	Issue date: November 2015 Review date: November 2018	
<input type="checkbox"/> Has ineffective breathing pattern <input type="checkbox"/> Is susceptible to deterioration of their respiratory pattern Related to.....		1. Breathing will be supported 2. Observations 3. Intravenous antibiotics 4. Pain needs supported		
Commenced date, time, signature & grade	No.	Nursing Intervention	Discontinue date, time, signature & grade	
	1.	Respiratory Support		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nurse upright/well supported with pillows, use an infant seat if necessary Monitor baseline respiratory status, continue monitoring as condition requires _____ _____ _____ +/- Administer oxygen as prescribed via humidifier, report and record effect of same _____ _____ Administer nebulised medications as prescribed, report and record effect of same _____ _____ Sputum samples as ordered Administer inhalers as prescribed, monitor effect Physiotherapy as ordered Replace oxygen equipment as per Guidelines 		
	2.	Observations		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Record baseline observations, temperature, pulse, respirations, blood pressure, and oxygen saturations. Frequency as condition dictates as requested _____ _____ Use PEWs to detail observations and adhere to guidance Pyrexia. Use pharmacological and non-pharmacological means of reducing temperature <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Nurse in a well ventilated room Administer anti pyretics as prescribed Encourage cool drinks Remove excess clothing/blankets 		

Updated November 2015

Patient Name.....

HCRN.....

Ward.....

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	3.	Intravenous Antibiotics	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administer intravenous antibiotics as prescribed as per Medication Policy _____ • Monitor Intravenous site for redness, pain and swelling as per IV policy, report and record. • Monitor condition for response to antibiotic therapy report and record. • +/- Administer oral antibiotics as prescribed _____ • Monitor patient receiving oral medication 	
	4.	Pain	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assess pain score on admission as per pain assessment guidelines, OLCHC. • Administer analgesia as required and monitor and record effect of same. Paracetamol/Ibuprofen/Codeine _____ _____ _____ _____	
		Any other needs	