Study Title: Prescribing considerations for home oxygen use

Brief description of the study: Despite the widespread use of oxygen in the community, little is known about the threshold that clinicians use for prescribing this therapy. Home oxygen is a relatively costly intervention, both economically and in terms of patient and carer burden. Many patients do not want to rely on a machine nor have their mobility limited by the oxygen concentrator. An understanding of how to target oxygen therapy to the people who will most benefit is an important research priority.

Study Methodology: (Please mark with an x which type of study methodology)

- Epidemiology
- Health Services / Health Economics / Quality Improvement
- Qualitative, Observational or Descriptive
- Mixed Method
- Systematic Review
- Intervention: RCT
- Intervention: Comparative or cohort study
- Intervention: Case series

Project details:

- Funding source (Optional):
- Has the study received ethics approval? Yes
- Project starting date: May 2011
- Project completion date: December 2011
- Multi site: Yes

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Associated publications / reports:

Topics (Admin only): Respiratory symptoms and their treatment, Settings of palliative care