## **Community Respiratory Services**



Community Respiratory Services is a regional, primary care, community-based program.



The program provides in-home respiratory therapy services to almost 3,000 patients across Fraser Health.



Services are provided in all Fraser Health communities, from Burnaby to Fraser Canyon.

## Home oxygen program

After patients receive their oxygen delivery systems, a registered respiratory therapist from Community Respiratory Services visits their home to:

- Complete a respiratory assessment
- Provide education to patients and family/caregivers on how to administer oxygen.

They also provide ongoing assessments to determine if oxygen therapy is still required.

## **Education and self-management**

Respiratory therapists provide patients with the necessary skills to manage their conditions at home, reducing repeat acute care admissions. Therapists provide education on:

- COPD
- Tracheostomy management
- Interstitial lung disease
- Asthma
- Bronchiectasis
- Respiratory assessment for neuromuscular diseases such as Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis and Multiple Sclerosis.

### Respiratory rehab

Respiratory rehab includes respiratory therapy and physiotherapy for a set number of weeks with participants transferring to Community Respiratory Services at the conclusion of the program. It is a partnership program with Langley Memorial Hospital.

# Home health remote monitoring

#### Home health remote monitoring

supports patients' early discharge from hospital and helps them recover with timely access to medical supports at home. Patients are provided with a virtual monitoring kit, including a tablet, a pulse oximeter and a blood pressure monitor.

Community Respiratory Services provides education and daily monitoring. There are two streams to this program:

COVID-19 and COPD

