

Bronchiolitis Outpatient Pathway

Inclusion Criteria 2 months to 2 years History and exam consistent with bronchiolitis

Exclusion Criteria Congenital heart disease Anatomic airway defects Chronic lung disease Neurologic disease Immunodeficiency Premature <35 weeks

Tests/Therapies Not Typically Indicated Albuterol Epinephrine Hypertonic Saline Steroids Antibiotics Chest Physiotherapy Chest X-Rays Viral Studies

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Consider Chest X-Ray When: Persistent Focal Exam Findings Airway Complication Worsening condition New murmur

Respiratory Distress Score (Table 1)				
Severity Score	0 points	1 points	2 points	3 points
Resp Rate				
<3 months		<60	61-69	>70
3-12 months		<50	51-59	>60
1-2 years		<40	41-44	>45
Auscultation	No wheezing	End expiratory wheeze only	Expiratory wheeze (greater than end- expiratory)	Inspiratory and expiratory wheeze
Retractions	None	Subcostal or intercostal	2 of the following: subcostal, intercostal, substernal, or nasal flaring	3 of the following: subcostal, intercostal, substernal, or nasal flaring
Dyspnea	Normal feeding, vocalizations and activity	1 of the following: difficulty feeding, decreased vocalization or agitated	2 of the following: difficulty feeding, decreased vocalization or agitated	Stops feeding, no vocalization, drowsy or confused