



**Treasure Coast Home
Health Care**
Readmission Prevention Program
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COPD/Pneumonia Program

This Program is designed for patients with COPD, Pneumonia, Chronic Bronchitis and Emphysema

Problem:

- 64% of readmissions occur within 7 days of D/C
- Most exacerbations occur from improper use of inhalers and poor adherence to a drug therapy program
- 6.8% of readmissions are COPD patients *J. Bourbeau, M. Julien, et al

Solution:

- A trained **CareSpecialist®** will help with **bathing, dressing, toileting, medication reminders, meals, housekeeping, MD appointments...**
- Individual instruction for inhaler and nebulizer use
- **RN Care Management and oversight**

Our CareSpecialists®:

- Will ensure that medications and treatments are taken as ordered by MD
- Are trained to watch for early signs and symptoms of worsening COPD
- Will inform MD and RN Case Manager immediately with any changes in condition
- Maintain a safe, clean and healthy environment to prevent exacerbations

Early Symptoms

- Increased coughing and wheezing
- Chest tightness, Shortness of breath
- Weakness, loss of appetite

Super Service Award Winner

