The Pulmonary Program at Gaylord Hospital provides comprehensive medical and therapeutic services to patients with chronic respiratory insufficiency. Care is provided by a team of closely coordinated experts in pulmonary disorders and critical care, including physicians, nurse specialists, respiratory care practitioners, therapists, pharmacists, and care managers skilled in counseling patients facing life-threatening illness.

**SERVICES AND CAPABILITIES**

- Consultation with referring physicians and with other Gaylord Hospital specialists
- Oxygen management protocols/High flow oxygen modalities
- De-cannulation protocols
- Bernoulli Monitoring System
- Cough assist devices
- Oximetry monitoring
- CPAP/BIPAP
- Chest tubes and pleuravacs
- High observation rooms comparable to critical care beds
- Specialty bariatric equipment including ceiling lifts
- Hospital beds with rotational and vibration modules
- Parenteral nutrition
- Pre- and post-transplant care
- Complex wound management
- Vapotherm Center of Excellence
- Central line insertion and management
- Intravenous medication administration protocols (Insulin, Cardizem, Milrinone)
- Pain management
- Cardiac monitoring
- Left ventricular Assistive Devices (LVAD)
- On-site pharmacy and laboratory, including ABGs
- On-site radiology, including ultrasound, modified barium swallow, CT scan/C-ARM and X-Ray
- Invasive pulmonary procedures including bronchoscopy
- Assistive technology
- Communication devices including speaking valves
- Hemodialysis and Peritoneal dialysis
- Destination Vent Training Program

**Long-term acute care hospital with state-of-the-art technology and innovative treatment protocols for pulmonary disorders such as:**

- Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)
- Restrictive lung disease
- Chronic emphysema
- Obstructive sleep apnea
- Bronchitis
- Asthma
- Respiratory complications from morbid obesity and neurological disorders including muscular dystrophy and post-polio syndrome as well as spinal cord injuries
- Ventilator dependence due to illness or injury

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Our ventilator support group meets weekly, as a group, with a clinical psychologist to discuss weaning challenges and successes.
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