

# Pulmonary/Ventilator Weaning Program



LifeCare Hospital of Dallas is a specialized acute care hospital providing continued critical care to medically complex patients. For patients unable to breathe on their own or who are struggling to breathe normally, our comprehensive Pulmonary and Ventilator Weaning program offers personalized care in a compassionate healing environment. Utilizing an aggressive, **early intervention/early mobility approach**, our multidisciplinary clinical team focuses not only on restoration of independent breathing but also on enabling patients to achieve the highest level of independence possible.



## We specialize in treating

- Acute or Chronic respiratory failure (ARDS, COPD)
- Ventilator Associated Pneumonia (VAP)
- Covid-19 Pneumonia requiring ventilation
- Traumatic Brain Injury requiring ventilation
- CVA/Stroke requiring ventilation
- Multi-system organ failure requiring ventilation
- Weaning complications related to MDRO
- Post-operative complications requiring prolonged ventilation
- Pulmonary Fibrosis
- Gillian Barre Syndrome
- Myasthenia Gravis
- ALS or Neuromuscular Disorders
- Acute Respiratory Complications

We are ready to serve medically complex respiratory patients.

Possible indicators for a respiratory patient who would benefit from our treatments:

- Ventilator patients with greater than three days Length of Stay in ICU
- Patients receiving tracheotomy for respiratory failure in ICU or Step-down
- Failed extubations/ventilator weaning attempts
- Patient requiring endotracheal tube management
- Patient utilizing high flow oxygen treatment/noninvasive ventilation



## Why LifeCare?

- Vent Weaning Protocol is initiated within 24 to 48 hours of admission
- 24-hour Respiratory Therapist and nursing care
- 24-hour physician coverage
- Daily monitoring by Pulmonary and Intensivist physicians
- ACLS and ICU trained Respiratory Therapists
- Expert, ICU level of care
- Collaborative approach to care with a multidisciplinary team of clinicians
- Home ventilator and tracheostomy care education provided by nursing and respiratory teams
- Case Managers proactively plan appropriate next steps with patients and families to ensure recovery continues after leaving LifeCare

### We prioritize our patient experience.

I had a wonderful experience at LifeCare Hospital of Dallas. I was impressed by the nursing and respiratory staff.

The doctors and nurses were really kind, expedient, and also really calmed my anxiety. I am definitely thankful for everyone involved in making my stay as comfortable as possible.

- Eddie, patient



The Pulmonary/Ventilator Weaning Program at LifeCare Hospital of Dallas provides advanced pulmonary care using the best clinical practices and treatment protocols while incorporating therapeutic interventions - occupational and physical - to ensure each patient's chance for the best possible outcome. Collaborating with patients and family members, we personalize care plans to address and accommodate each patient's recovery and rehabilitation needs while ensuring access to information, resources, and support.

Our clinical teams are committed to offering patient-centered, compassionate respiratory care providing the best path to long-term recovery. Your goals are our goals.

Contact us today so we can begin taking the steps to get you better, sooner.



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