



Applications of NHF therapy

In each of these areas a suitable application for NHF therapy was demonstrated in the referenced studies. As always clinical judgment must be applied in each case to determine the appropriate therapy.



Pre-oxygenation/ peri-intubation

Avoid intubation

Miguel-Montanes 2015. Frat 2019.

Postextubation

Rochwerg 2019.* Chaudhuri 2020.* Frat 2015. All respiratory-compromised patients

Granton 2020.* Hernández 2016. Thille 2019. Tan 2020.



COVID-19

Patel 2020. Vianello 2020. Calligaro 2020. Guy 2020. Bonnet 2021.

Avoid escalation

Storgaard 2018. Bell 2015. Jackson 2020. Papachatzakis 2020.



Spoletini 2018.





* Meta-analysis

ESICM CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINE FOR NASAL HIGH FLOW

Rochwerg B, et al. Intensive Care Medicine. 2020.

The role for high flow nasal cannula as a respiratory support strategy in adults



Acute hypoxemic respiratory failure

NHF is preferred to conventional oxygen therapy (COT) for patients with hypoxemic respiratory failure.

STRONG RECOMMENDATION



Peri-intubation

No recommendation is made regarding use of NHF in the periintubation period.

NHF during intubation should be continued for patients who are already receiving NHF.

> CONTINUE NHF



Post-extubation respiratory failure

NHF is preferred to COT following extubation in patients with any high-risk feature who were intubated for >24 hours.

NIPPV is preferred to NHF in patients who would normally be extubated to NIPPV.

CONDITIONAL RECOMMENDATION



Post-operative

NHF is preferred to COT in high risk and/or obese patients undergoing cardiac or thoracic surgery to prevent respiratory failure in the immediate postoperative period.

Prophylactic NHF to prevent respiratory failure in other postoperative patients is not recommended.

CONDITIONAL RECOMMENDATION



Rochwerg B, et al. Intensive Care Med. 2019.

Patients with acute hypoxemic respiratory failure

NHF vs COT

NHF is associated with a lower risk of requiring intubation

RR=0.85; 95% CI 0.74-0.99

NHF is associated with a decreased escalation of oxygen therapy

RR=0.71; 95% CI 0.51-0.98

No difference in mortality between NHF and COT

RR=0. 94; 95% CI 0.67-1.31

100% of the analyzed studies used F&P Optiflow NHF systems | Total: n = 446 | Randomized controlled trial: n = 9



Chaudhuri D. et al. Chest. 2020.

Preventing intubation in post-operative patients

NHF vs COT

NHF is associated with a lower risk of requiring intubation

RR=0.32: 95% CI 0.12-0.88

NHF is associated with a decreased escalation of respiratory support

RR=0.54; 95% CI 0.31-0.94

91% of the analyzed studies used F&P Optiflow NHF systems | Total: n = 650 | Randomized controlled trial: n = 11



Granton D, et al. Critical Care Medicine. 2020.

Critically ill adult patients immediately post-extubation

NHF is
associated with
a decreased
rate of
reintubation

RR=0.46; 95% CI 0.3-0.7

NHF is associated with decreased post-extubation respiratory failure

NHF vs COT

RR=0.52; 95% CI 0.3-0.91

NHF may decrease use of NIV

RR=0.64 CI 0.34-1.22

NHF may decrease hospital LoS

-0.98 days CI -2.96-0.21

NHF vs NIV

NHF may reduce ICU and hospital LoS

ICU: -0.99 days (-1.68, -0.30) Hospital -3 days (-6.24, 0.24)

100% of the analyzed studies used F&P Optiflow NHF systems | Total: n = 492 | Randomized controlled trial: n = 8

SELECTED CLINICAL EVIDENCE FOR APPLICATIONS OF NHF THERAPY



Avoid intubation

Rochwerg et al. 2019 META-ANALYSIS

Chaudhuri et al. 2020 META-ANALYSIS

Frat et al. 2015





Pre-oxygenation/ peri-intubation

Miguel-Montanes et al. 2015

Frat et al. 2019



Postextubation

Granton et al. 2020 META-ANALYSIS

Hernández et al. 2016 (high-risk patients)

Hernández et al. 2016 (low-risk patients)

Thille et al. 2019

Tan et al. 2020



Avoid escalation

Storgaard et al. 2018

Bell et al. 2015

Jackson et al. 2020

Papachatzakis et al. 2020



Experience in COVID-19 patients

Patel et al. 2020

Vianello et al. 2020

Guy et al. 2020

Calligaro et al. 2020

Bonnet et al. 2021



Rest breaks with NIV

Spoletini et al. 2018



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