COPD shared management plan devised by Stoke-on-Trent Community Respiratory Team

CONTACT DETAILS: DANGER SIGNS!! NHS General Practitioner: IF YOU START TO EXPERIENCE THE FOLLOWING SYMPTOMS GET URGENT HELP BY CALLING 999 COPD **Useful Numbers**: Self ! VERY SHORT OF BREATH, EVEN WHEN RESTING ! UNABLE TO TALK IN SENTENCES AS YOU ARE TOO SHORT OF BREATH **Management** ! NO RELIEF FROM INHALER OR NEBULISER ! CHEST PAIN Plan ! FEELING FEARFUL, DROWSINESS, CONFUSION OR AGITATION. Name: WHAT ACTION TO TAKE CONTACT URGENT ASSISTANCE BY CALLING 999 ! TRY TO SIT UP RIGHT ! A FORWARD LEANING POSITION AS SHOWN TO YOU BY YOUR PHYSIOTHERAPIST OR NURSE ! USE A FAN TO HELP YOUR BREATHLESSNESS ! TRY TO STAY CALM AND THINK ABOUT THE CONTROLLED BREATHING TECHNIQUE YOU HAVE BEEN SHOWN Version 1— Primary Care 07/11

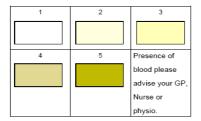
I Feel Well

To help you stay well:

- DO NOT SMOKE
- Take medications as prescribed
- Continue with my day to day activities
- Eat a healthy diet & drink plenty
- Monitor my sputum colour
- Clear the sputum from my chest regularly
- Have my 'flu jab'

Sputum colour score

Look at your sputum everyday against a white background, for example a white tissue-compare it to the colour chart



My sputum is normally

Symptoms	Feeling Well	Caution	Action
Breathing	Breathing no worse than normal	Slightly worse than normal	Breathing much worse than
Cough	No worse than normal	Slightly more than normal	Much more than normal
Sputum (Amount & colour)	Normal Amount & Colour	Slightly increased amount or changed in colour	Definite change in colour and amount
Physical Activity	No change	Feeling more tired than usual	Reduced activity & or mobility

If all your symptoms are GREEN continue with your normal treatment.

If any of your symptoms are AMBER increase your reliever medication to maximum dose. Keep a close eye on your symptoms and if they improve in 2 days, go back to your normal treatment.

f any of your symptoms are RED take your maximum reliever treatment and contact your health professional TODAY. Start your RESCUE MEDICATION as shown

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Personal Self Management

<u>Plan</u>

1)	
Maximum Dose/	Times per day
2)	
Maximum Dose/	Times per day

Rescue Medication

Reliever Treatment

f your symptoms are in the 'Action' column, then commen
our rescue medication as instructed and tell your health
professional WITHIN 48 Hours

Antibiotics