Cough Assist T70

With mask or mouthpiece

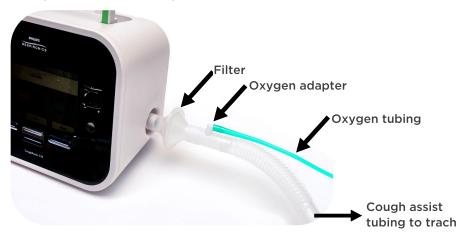
The Cough Assist T 70 device removes mucus (secretions) from your child's lungs through the use of mechanically applied pressure. The machine applies a positive pressure to the airway, then rapidly shifts to a negative pressure. The rapid drop in pressure forces air from the lungs, imitating a natural cough. You can operate the pressure manually or on automatic.



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How to add oxygen to the Cough Assist

Oxygen can be added to the Cough Assist tubing in between the filter and the tubing. Check your child's oxygen dose order to see what oxygen liter flow you will need during the treatment.



Get your child ready

- 1. Gather suctioning supplies.
- 2. Place your child in an upright sitting position as tolerated.

Start the treatment

- Turn on the Cough Assist and check the settings and pressures. These settings are different for each child and are programmed by your respiratory equipment company. Turn on the oxygen to the Cough Assist device.
- 2. Place mask or mouthpiece on your child as directed. Use either:
 - A mouthpiece (with or without nose clips) or
 - A well-fitting, soft-seal mask

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To Learn More

- Your respiratory equipment company
- · Ask your child's healthcare provider
- seattlechildrens.org

Free Interpreter Services

- In the hospital, ask your nurse.
- From outside the hospital, call the toll-free Family Interpreting Line,
 1-866-583-1527. Tell the interpreter the name or extension you need.



- 3. Press **Therapy** button to start treatment.
 - In **Auto Mode**, the Cough Assist device will cycle automatically from inhalation (positive, pushing air in) to exhalation (negative, sucking air out). At the end of exhalation, the machine will pause before starting the next breath. If your child can easily trigger breaths on the Cough Assist, the Cough Trak setting will synchronize the breaths from the Cough Assist to your child as they take a breath. In **Manual Mode**, you will need to slide the control lever from the right (inhale) to the left (exhale) for each breath cycle. The pressures are preset, but the time is determined by the person doing the treatment.
- 4. After 3 to 5 in/out breath cycles, remove the mask or mouthpiece and press **Standby**. Give your child time to relax and breathe normally.
- 5. At this time you can use your suction machine to clear mouth secretions if needed. Repeat this process (usually 3 to 5 times) as needed to clear secretions. After the treatment, turn off the oxygen source to the Cough Assist device.

Do not keep your child connected to the Cough Assist device longer than the prescribed amount of time.

Always watch to see that your child is tolerating the treatment and getting good chest rise.

Cough assist settings

(to be filled out by your healthcare providers and programmed into your child's device)

Mode	
Inspiratory pressure	
Expiratory pressure	
Inspiratory time	
Expiratory time	
Pause	
Oscillations	
	L/M (liters per minute flow rate

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