

# COPD Discharge Bundle

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## Aim

- Update the COPD Discharge Bundle documentation proforma.
- Expanding the delivery of the bundle elements by starting a Respiratory Nurse Specialist led follow up telephone service.

## What did they do?

- Started a telephone follow up service after discharge for patients who are not eligible for Early Supported Discharge service because of their home postcode.
- Amended the recording and documentation of the elements of the COPD Discharge Bundle to more accurately reflect the work being done.
- Updated the COPD self-management information leaflet to include up to date contact information and reformatted to allow the inclusion of free text for patient specific advice and guidance on recovery and exacerbation management.

## Outcome

After implementing the changes in mid-June the following improvements were noted in the data collected for the month of July:

- 95% of patients had a follow up appointment arranged, the highest recorded to date.
- 85% of patients who were suitable for a rescue pack were issued with one, the highest percentage achieved to date.
- 95% of patients were assessed for suitability for pulmonary rehabilitation, the highest achieved to date.
- 65% increase in the number of patients receiving every element of the bundle for which they were eligible in July compared to March.

## Next steps

- Sustaining the changes; this is challenge with current staffing levels.
- Move to documenting on Electronic Patient Records.