RETU COPD Pathway

Required testing prior to RETU

- Room air oxygen saturation (or with baseline oxygen rate if on home oxygen therapy)
- CXF
- FKG



Not appropriate for RETU

- High-risk active acute comorbidity (eg, pneumonia, heart failure, pleural effusion pneumothorax, etc)
- Altered mental status
- Acute respiratory failure

RETU Intake Evaluation

(do not repeat testing if already done in ED)

Exam Focus

- Pulmonary
- Cardiac

Initial Testing

- Labs: CBC, Chem 7, pCO2, troponin, BNP, d-dimer (as indicated)
- •Imaging: CXR

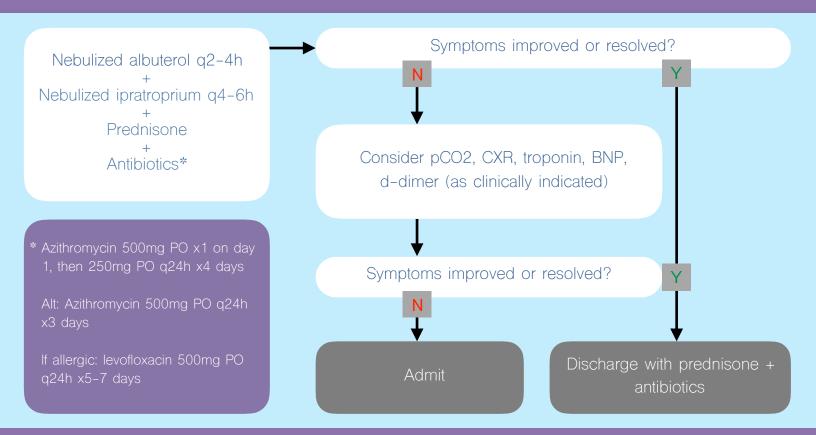
Monitoring

 Continuous pulse oximetry (as indicated)

Consults

• Pulmonary (as indicated)

RETU Treatment / Evaluation



Disposition Guidelines

Discharge from RETU

- · Acceptable vitals signs
- Resolution of symptoms or return to near baseline respiratory status
- Return to baseline pulse oximetry or FiO2

Admission to Hospital

- Deterioration of clinical condition or unstable vital signs
- Uncompensated pCO2 retention
- Persistent new oxygen requirement despite treatment
- Development of new high-risk active acute comorbidity (eg, pneumonia, heart failure, pleural effusion, pneumothorax, etc)