

	<b>RESPIRATORY SERVICES</b>	DATE CREATED: June 2009  DATE REVIEWED/REVISED: <b>February 2016</b>
<b>PROCEDURE</b>	TITLE: <u>Neonatal</u> – Neonatal Intermittent Positive Pressure Ventilation (IPPV) using a flow-Inflating Resuscitator (Respiratory Therapy)  NUMBER: B-00-12-12096	RELATED DOCUMENTS:  <a href="#">NEOPUFF Oxygen Therapy</a>

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## SITE APPLICABILITY:

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## GENERAL INFORMATION:

Providing effective manual ventilation to the neonate is the most important component in cardiopulmonary resuscitation of the compromised neonate. At PHC, the primary and preferred method for providing manual ventilation is with the [NEOPUFF](#)

## INDICATIONS:

1. Apnea or gasping respirations.
2. Heart rate less than 100 bpm (despite the presence of spontaneous respirations).
3. Persistent moderate to severe work of breathing despite appropriate CPAP therapy.
4. Increased work of breathing despite appropriate CPAP therapy.

## REQUIRED SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT:

- Face mask – preterm or term
- Flow-inflating resuscitator
- Pressure manometer
- Pulse oximeter

## PROCEDURE FOR IPPV USING A FLOW-INFLATING RESUSCITATOR:

1. Select the appropriate size mask and attach it to the flow-inflating resuscitator.

**NOTE:** The appropriate size mask will cover the mouth, nose and tip of the chin only.

Attach oxygen connecting tubing to an oxygen blender, adjust the flowmeter to 6-8L/min, and set the FiO<sub>2</sub> as per [Oxygen Therapy](#).

2. Assess the function of the flow-inflating resuscitator and ensure there are no obvious leaks in the reservoir bag and that the pressure manometer is attached and functional.



3. Verify that the neonate's airway is clear and position the head into the "sniffing" position.
4. Obtain a tight seal over the infant's mouth and nose and begin to provide manual ventilation using the following parameters.
  - a. **PIP:** 20 cm H<sub>2</sub>O
  - b. **PEEP:** 5 cm H<sub>2</sub>O
  - c. **RR:** 40 – 60 bpm

## ASSESSING EFFECTIVENESS OF MANUAL VENTILATION:

Improvement of the neonate's condition is indicated by the following:

- a. Increased heart rate
- b. Improved SpO<sub>2</sub>
- c. Improved skin color
- d. Spontaneous respirations
- e. Improved muscle tone

If there is no evidence of an improvement in the neonate's condition, consider the following:

- a. Auscultate for equal and bilateral breath sounds.
- b. Follow MR SOPA to improve bag mask technique.

### 1. MR – Mask seal and reposition airway

Ensure that the mask is the appropriate size and that there are no obvious leaks around the mouth and nose. Reposition the neonate into the sniffing position.

### 2. SO - Suction mouth and nose and open mouth

Ensure there is no obvious obstruction in mouth and nose and suction the oropharynx if appropriate. Open neonate's mouth.

### 3. P – Increase pressure

Increase the bagging pressure to 25 cm H<sub>2</sub>O and give ten breaths. Assess for improvement in ventilation. If none, increase pressure to 30 cmH<sub>2</sub>O. Assess for improvement in ventilation.

### 4. A – Alternate airway

If there is no improvement in ventilation using these techniques, consider endotracheal intubation as per [B-00-12-12090](#)

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