



**COHESIVE HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT & CONSULTING**  
**MANGUM REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER**

TITLE		POLICY	
<b>Concurrent Therapy</b>		<b>RES-013</b>	
MANUAL	EFFECTIVE DATE	REVIEW DATE	
<b>Respiratory</b>	<b>03/2020</b>		
DEPARTMENT	REFERENCE		
<b>Respiratory</b>			

### **SCOPE**

This policy applies to all Respiratory Care Practitioners and Licensed Nursing Personnel of Mangum Regional Medical Center.

### **PURPOSE**

To provide guidelines for Respiratory Care Practitioners and Licensed Nursing Personnel to ensure the safe administration of medications is provided to patients.

### **DEFINITIONS**

**Concurrent Therapy-** is defined as the practice of treating more than one patient at a time, also known as “stacking treatments”

### **POLICY**

It is the policy of this hospital to provide quality patient care, to ensure the safe administration of medications according to evidence-based practice and standards of care. An exception will be allowed only as defined by: under extreme circumstances, such as, when there is a surge in respiratory patients, in which without concurrent therapy patients’ treatments may be missed or delayed. Only patients who are stable and their condition is such that the treatment may be administered without supervision when the following are met:

- Treatments are administered to patients on the same floor or unit.
- The patient is instructed and understands the purpose of therapy and is able follow directions.
- The patient understands that the mouthpiece or mask can be removed and pushed aside anytime the patient feels it is necessary.
- The patient’s vital signs are stable.
- The medication is delivered to the patients on mechanical ventilation.

**REFERENCES**

American Association of Respiratory Care

**ATTACHMENTS**

NA

**REVISIONS/UPDATES**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Brief Description of Revision/Change</b>