

# RSPT 50C: THERAPEUTICS & INTRODUCTION TO MECHANICAL VENTILATION

## Foothill College Course Outline of Record

Heading	Value
<b>Units:</b>	4
<b>Hours:</b>	3 lecture, 3 laboratory per week (72 total per quarter)
<b>Prerequisite:</b>	RSPT 50B.
<b>Degree &amp; Credit Status:</b>	Degree-Applicable Credit Course
<b>Foothill GE:</b>	Non-GE
<b>Transferable:</b>	CSU
<b>Grade Type:</b>	Letter Grade Only
<b>Repeatability:</b>	Not Repeatable

## Student Learning Outcomes

- The student will be able to explain concepts and theory related to the initiation, monitoring, and discontinuing of ventilatory support.
- The student will be able to perform procedures pertaining to mechanical ventilation by completing all lab competencies and a lab practical with a 70% or higher.

## Description

Topics to be covered include respiratory failure, introduction to invasive and non-invasive mechanical ventilation. Intended for students in the Respiratory Therapy Program; enrollment is limited to students accepted in the program.

## Course Objectives

The student will be able to:

- Define acute respiratory failure.
- Discuss the causes of respiratory failure.
- Differentiate between Type I, Type II, and Type I and Type II respiratory failure.
- Discuss the indications for ventilatory support.
- Classify ventilators and describe how they work.
- Classify and define different modes of ventilation.
- Identify the physiologic effects of ventilatory support.
- Initiate and manage invasive ventilatory support.
- Discuss application of noninvasive ventilation (NIV).
- Discuss the principle of monitoring the patient in the intensive care unit.
- Describe discontinuing ventilatory support.

## Course Content

- Define acute respiratory failure
  - Definition
  - Sign and symptoms
  - Arterial blood gas analysis
- Discuss the causes of respiratory failure
  - Hypoxemic respiratory failure (Type I)
  - Hypercapneic respiratory failure (Type II)
  - Chronic respiratory failure (Type I and Type II)

C. Differentiate between Type I, Type II, and Type I and Type II respiratory failure

- Hypoxemic respiratory failure (Type I)
  - Ventilation/perfusion mismatch
  - Shunt
  - Alveolar hypoventilation
  - Diffusion impairment
  - Perfusion/diffusion impairment
  - Decreased inspired oxygen
  - Venous admixture
  - Differentiating the causes of acute hypoxemic respiratory failure
- Hypercapneic respiratory failure (Type II)
  - Insidious exposure
  - Increased carbon dioxide production
  - Impairment in respiratory control
  - Impairment in respiratory effectors
- Chronic respiratory failure (Type I and Type II)
  - Acute-on-chronic respiratory failure
  - Complications of acute respiratory failure
  - Clinical presentation
- Indications for ventilatory support
  - Inadequate alveolar ventilation
  - Inadequate lung expansion
  - Inadequate muscle strength
  - Increased work of breathing
  - Hypoxemia
- Ventilators
  - How they work
    - Input power
    - Power transmission and conversion
    - Control system
  - Output waveforms
    - Pressure
    - Volume
    - Flow
  - Operator interface
    - Input displays
    - Output displays
  - Types of ventilators
    - Critical care
    - Conventional
    - Subacute care
    - Home care
    - Transport
    - Noninvasive
  - Modes of ventilation
    - Control variables
      - Pressure control
      - Volume control
    - Breath sequence
      - Spontaneous breaths
      - Mandatory breaths
      - Continuous mandatory ventilation (CMV)
      - Intermittent mandatory ventilation (IMV)
      - Continuous spontaneous ventilation (CSV)
      - Breathing pattern
    - Targeting scheme
      - Open loop control
      - Closed loop control
  - Physiologic effects of ventilatory support
    - Pressure and pressure gradients
    - Effects of mechanical ventilation on ventilation

- 3. Effects of mechanical ventilation on oxygenation
- 4. Effects of mechanical ventilation on lung mechanics
- 5. Minimizing adverse pulmonary effects of positive pressure mechanical ventilation
- 6. Physiologic effects of ventilatory modes
- 7. Cardiovascular effects of positive pressure mechanical ventilation
- 8. Effects of positive pressure mechanical ventilation on other body systems
- 9. Complications of mechanical ventilation
- H. Initiating and adjusting invasive ventilatory support
  - 1. Goals
  - 2. Initial ventilator settings
  - 3. Adjusting ventilatory support
  - 4. Oxygenation
  - 5. Ventilation
- I. Application of noninvasive ventilation (NIV)
  - 1. History and development of NIV
  - 2. Indications for NIV
  - 3. Patient selection
  - 4. Equipment selection
  - 5. Management of NIV
  - 6. Complications of NIV
- J. Monitoring the patient in the intensive care unit
  - 1. Respiratory monitoring
  - 2. Cardiac monitoring
  - 3. Neurologic monitoring
  - 4. Renal and liver function monitoring
  - 5. Nutritional monitoring
  - 6. Global monitoring indices
- K. Discontinuing ventilatory support
  - 1. Ventilator dependence
  - 2. Patient evaluation
  - 3. Methods
  - 4. Monitoring the patient during weaning
  - 5. Extubation

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## Lab Content

- A. Ventilators
  - 1. How they work
    - a. Input power
    - b. Power transmission and conversion
    - c. Control system
  - 2. Output waveforms
    - a. Pressure
    - b. Volume
    - c. Flow
  - 3. Operator interface
    - a. Input displays
    - b. Output displays
  - 4. Types of ventilators
    - a. Critical care
    - b. Conventional
    - c. Subacute care
    - d. Home care
    - e. Transport
    - f. Noninvasive
  - B. Modes of ventilation
    - 1. Control variables
      - a. Pressure control
      - b. Volume control
    - 2. Breath sequence

## Special Facilities and/or Equipment

A. Ventilators, ventilator tubing, and lung simulators.

## Method(s) of Evaluation

Methods of Evaluation may include but are not limited to the following:

- A. Lab performance
- B. Written exams
- C. May include:
  - 1. Quizzes
  - 2. Midterm
  - 3. Final exam
  - 4. Laboratory final

## Method(s) of Instruction

Methods of Instruction may include but are not limited to the following:

- A. Lecture
- B. Discussion
- C. Laboratory
- D. Demonstration
- E. Lab competencies demonstrated in skills

## Representative Text(s) and Other Materials

Kacmarek, Stoller, and Heuer. Egan's Fundamentals of Respiratory Care. 11th ed. St. Louis: Elsevier, 2017. ISBN: 9780323341363

Kacmarek, Stoller, and Heuer. Workbook for Egan's Fundamentals of Respiratory Care. 11th ed. St. Louis: Elsevier, 2017. ISBN: 9780323358521

Hinski. Respiratory Care Clinical Competency Lab Manual. St. Louis: Elsevier, 2014. ISBN:9780323100571

## Types and/or Examples of Required Reading, Writing, and Outside of Class Assignments

- A. Reading assignments
- B. Workbook assignments
- C. Competencies related to course content

## Discipline(s)

Respiratory Technologies