



**Texas Children's Hospital
Pulmonary
Pneumonia/Recurrent Respiratory Infections Educational Materials**

Description:

- Persistent pneumonia or respiratory infection and/or infection not responding to medical therapy and/or history of recurrent respiratory infection.

Data Needed:

- Brief Clinical Summary or Recent Clinic Note that includes:
 - Chief concern
 - Previous treatments and response
 - Growth chart
 - Respiratory history including birth history
 - Discharge summaries (if hospitalized outside TCH)
 - All chest x-ray reports (copy of images if done outside TCH)
 - Sweat test (if done- use CF Center accredited lab)
 - Other lab results
- Ask patient/family to keep symptom diary for at least one week before appointment.

Initial Work-up:

- Chest x-ray (including one when "well")
- Pre-order swallow function study (consider if choking with feeds neurologic impairment or developmental delay)
- Spirometry (pre/post bronchodilator if age is less than 6)
- Trial of Bronchodilator if associated with wheezing
- Sweat test (consider if poor growth, recurrent infection, positive family history – see CF)

Referrals:

- More than 2 episodes in a year or episodes requiring hospitalization
- Persistent or slow to resolve symptoms
- Other risk factors such as poor growth, choking, and other infections (consider immune evaluation)