

Sleep Disorders Center

GUIDELINES FOR HST

- Face to face notes with two qualifying symptoms of OSA justifying why a
 patient is being referred for the test. Examples include snoring, witnessed
 apnea, morning headaches, nocturnal choking, excessive daytime
 sleepiness.
- 2. A Stop Bang questionnaire and or an Epworth Sleepiness Scale questionnaire.
- 3. 18 years of age and up.
- 4. Chart notes must be under 6 months old.

Contraindications to HST (HOME SLEEP TEST)

- 1. Moderate to severe pulmonary disease (e.g., COPD with class III or IV heart failure, asthma, O2 dependent, and cardiac arrhythmias).
- 2. Neuromuscular disease/neurodegenerative disorder (included, but not limited to: Parkinson's disease, myotonic dystrophy, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, multiple sclerosis with associated pulmonary disease).
- 3. Significant cardiac disease (including but not limited to congestive heart failure (NYHA class III or IV), uncontrolled significant persistent cardiac arrhythmia, history of prior stroke) *hypertension is NOT a contraindication.
- 4. Suspected central, or complex sleep apnea, periodic limb movement disorder, insomnia, parasomnia, circadian rhythm disorders, or narcolepsy.
- 5. Patients under the age of 18.
- 6. Physical or cognitive inability to appropriately use the equipment or does not have someone able to assist with the equipment.
- 7. Previous technically suboptimal home sleep study.
- 8. Body mass index (BMI) to be left up to discretion of sleep lab medical director.