

InterQual LTACH Categories

Ventilator Weaning

- Ventilator Dependent for 6 or > h/d and active weaning expected upon admission
- Hemodynamically stable
- Tracheostomy already performed
- FIO₂ 50% or less (if not, use Respiratory Complex Criteria)

Respiratory Complex

- Primary respiratory condition with ventilator dependent respiratory failure, or requiring high flow O₂ (FIO₂ 40% or more) with close observation, monitoring of vital signs and O₂ saturations
- Requires further ventilator management and medical stabilization prior to expected weaning attempt
- If not on a ventilator and FIO₂ less than 40%, requires frequent suctioning and/or other modalities such as chest PT.
- Tracheostomy already performed for patients on ventilator
- 2 additional medical co-morbidities, requiring active treatment.

Medically Complex

- Primary complex medical condition requiring an extended hospital level of care
- Treatment may include intravenous antibiotics, fluids or other medications, along with frequent laboratory testing and careful monitoring of vital signs, O₂ saturation, etc.
- 2 additional medical co-morbidities, requiring active treatment.

Wound Care

- Complex Wound(s) requiring an extended hospital level of care
- Complex wound care may include negative pressure wound therapy, surgical debridement, restorative rehabilitation, TPN and parenteral antibiotics, etc.
- 1 additional medical co-morbidity, requiring active treatment

List of Clinical Services/Situations Carter LTACH Does Not Offer/Cannot Manage

- IV vasopressors (must be stable at least 24h after discontinuation)
- IV sedation (drips or pushes) (must be stable at least 24h after discontinuation)
- IV chemotherapy
- IV Anticoagulation/titration/heparin drips
- Invasive monitoring
- Active psychosis/suicidal/1:1
- Active substance use
- Meds: investigational/compassionate release/emergency use
- Peritoneal dialysis (for now)
- Hemodialysis (for now)
- Drips requiring Titration