

- Based on current research and clinical techniques
- Using current "toolbox approach" to improve patient's self-management
- An initial assessment and a respiratory care plan with the physiotherapist which assesses the "whole person" including:
  - Exercise tolerance
  - Breathing control and thoracic expansion
  - Musculoskeletal assessment of the thorax
  - Airways clearance (sputum)

- Plan an appropriate treatment such as:
  - Improving exercise tolerance
  - Improving skills for airways clearance
  - Education on respiratory hygiene
  - Education on devices and respiratory inhalers
  - Referral to multidisciplinary team such as dietician, speech therapist and exercise physiologist

