

NIV Initiation Checklist

Safe non-invasive ventilation setup

Fluids & ICU

PHYSICIAN REFERENCE

Good candidates

- AECOPD with acute hypercapnic acidosis and selected cardiogenic pulmonary edema are common evidence-based uses.

Before starting

- Appropriate interface, monitoring, airway protection, secretion burden and hemodynamic stability.

Failure signs

- Worsening gas exchange/acidosis, shock, agitation, inability to protect airway or no early clinical improvement -> reassess for intubation.

Clinical safety note

Use this as a memory aid, not a prescription. Verify current guidelines, local protocols, contraindications, renal/hepatic dosing, pregnancy status, interactions and patient-specific factors before treatment.