

Our organizations call for Congressional action to ensure individuals who require supplemental oxygen have access to medically appropriate oxygen. Below are our consensus principles for legislative reform:

Four Pillars for Oxygen Reform

- 1. Ensure supplemental oxygen is patient-centric
 - Change "home oxygen" to "supplemental oxygen" to ensure people requiring oxygen can live full lives outside their primary residence
 - Create a patients' bill of rights to ensure care is focused on patient needs
- 2. Ensure access to liquid oxygen for patients for whom it is medically necessary
- 3. Create a statutory service element to provide adequate reimbursement for respiratory therapists to ensure patients have access to their expertise
- 4. To ensure predictable and adequate reimbursement and to protect against fraud and abuse, establish national standardized documentation requirements that rely upon a template rather than prescriber medical records to support claims for supplemental oxygen suppliers.

Organizations In Support

Allergy & Asthma Network Alpha-1 Foundation American Association for Respiratory Care American Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation American College of Chest Physicians American Lung Association American Physical Therapy Association American Thoracic Society California Society for Pulmonary Rehabilitation COPD Foundation The Council for Quality Respiratory Care Dorney-Koppel Foundation Hawaii COPD Coalition Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association The LAM Foundation NTM Info & Research PCD Foundation Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation Pulmonary Hypertension Association Respiratory Health Association Running On Air Scleroderma Foundation of California TSC Alliance USCOPD Coalition