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Backup Procedure for Nebulizer Treatments

Patients requiring nebulizer treatments during period of power outages do have the option of using a portable oxygen tank to take their treatments.

In order to use a portable tank for a treatment, the following procedure is recommended:

- Use an “E” cylinder if possible
- A single lumens regulator must be used. A conserving device will not work
- Set the regulator to 6 l/m setting
- Use the standard tubing/circuit that came with nebulizer and connect to regulator.
- Open the tank using toggle or tank wrench
- Take nebulizer treatment
- Once treatment is complete, close tank

Once electrical power is restored, please return to using the electrical nebulizer rather than the portable tanks. This will conserve the oxygen in the tanks should power be lost again.