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“Home Mechanical Ventilation: Multiple lessons....”

Outline

1. Introduction
 - a. Trends in home mechanical ventilation
 - b. The age of body ventilators
 - c. The “miracle” of noninvasive positive pressure ventilation
2. Lesson #1 – NPPV vs “Body” ventilators
3. Lesson #2 – Changing role of NIV as resp impairment progresses
4. Lesson #3 – Secretion management
5. Lesson #4 – Novel ways of assisting ventilation
6. Lesson #5 – Managing pneumonia with NIV at home
7. Lesson #6 – Perioperative management during 24/7 NIV
8. Lesson #7 – The challenges of home mechanical ventilation
9. Lesson #8 – The joys of HMV
10. Conclusions –
 - a. NIV can be adapted to the needs of NMD patients to stabilize resp failure and permit an active lifestyle
 - b. NIV in combination with secretion removal techniques can sustain patients through resp complications
 - c. Patients like Margaret Pfrommer and Nancy and Sheila teach all of us many lessons regarding medicine, life and how to live and love

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