## **PRESCRIPTION:** Respimat Inhaler

Patient Name:	
Dosage (number of puffs):	Number of times each day:

## **FIRST TIME USE - PREPARE**



Wash hands with soap and water

- Press down on safety catch
- Firmly pull off clear 3 months from date base



- Write DISCARD BY date on label
- cartridge is inserted



- Insert narrow end of cartridge into inhaler
- Pressing down on a firm surface
- 1/8 inch remains visible
- Do not remove cartridge once inserted



- Click clear base back into place
- Do not remove clear base again

## **FIRST TIME USE - PRIME**



Wash hands with soap and water

**IMPORTANT:** Follow these steps to ensure the dosing system is filled for first time use. PRIMING is necessary to make sure the correct amount of medicine is delivered.



- Hold inhaler upright with cap closed
- TURN clear base in direction of arrows on the label until it CLICKS



Open the cap



- Point inhaler to the around
- Press dose release button
- Close the cap

REPEAT steps 2, 3, and 4 until a cloud of mist is visible.

Then repeat steps 2, 3, and 4

THREE (3) **MORE TIMES** to ensure inhaler is prepared for use

## **DAILY USE**



Wash hands with soap and water



- TURN
- Keep cap closed
- Turn clear base in direction of the arrow on label until it clicks



- **OPEN** cap until it snaps fully open
- Sit or stand up straight
- Take a deep breath in
- Breathe out SLOWLY and COMPLETELY

Important: If more than one canister is opened at the same time, pay attention to the expiration date to avoid dangers of bacteria growth and resulting infection. Read package inserts.



- PRESS
- Bring inhaler to mouth
- Point to back of throat
- Close lips tightly around mouthpiece
- Do not cover air vents
- Inhale slowly WHILE PRESSING dose button
- Breathe in SLOWLY AND DEEPLY for 3 to 5 seconds

- Remove inhaler from mouth
- Hold breath for 10 seconds
- Breathe out slowly
- Repeat steps 2-4 for each inhalation
- Wait at least 60 seconds between inhalations
- These steps should be performed 2 TIMES to receive the proper dose of medicine.
- Close cap and store in a safe, cool, and dry place

For additional information visit the 2021 VA/DoD Clinical Practice Guideline for Management of COPD https://www.healthquality.va.gov/ guidelines/cd/copd