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- Meticulous fluid / caloric intake to
- \( O_2 \) sat < 88% (on \( O_2 \))
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### Pulmonary Disease – COPD

- \( pO_2 \) < 60 mm Hg
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### Cancer

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### Demencia

- Unable to sit up or hold
- Unable to do hobby/
- Unable to do any
- Endstage cirrhosis, not

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- Unable to do any activity, extensive
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