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Ambulance Emergency

911

Clinic Appointments **276-2400** 

**Hospital Information** 

276-3347

**Community Resources** 

211

**Domestic Violence Help** 

**276-2042** Hotline - 226-6424

## LUNG TESTING AND TREATMENT

**Spirometry Test** 

**Breathing Treatment** 



Left: Respiratory Department Director Michele Lively blows into a spirometer that tests the ability of the lungs to inhale and exhale air at a healthy level. Above: A nebulizer machine turns liquid medicine into a mist that patients inhale to treat asthma, COPD, or other lung disease.

Easy One Diagnostic Spirometer:

Pulmo Mate Compression Nebulizer: You place a nose clip, take a deep breath, and blow into the mouthpiece as fast and long as you can. The spirometer records the results. Your spirometry score indicates whether and how much a lung disease, such as asthma or COPD, is reducing lung function.

Patients with a lung disease use a "nebulizer" or air compressor to take prescribed medicine. The nebulizer machine turns liquid medicine into a mist. You fill the medicine cup with your prescription then breathe in through a connected mouthpiece. The medicine goes into your lungs as you take slow, deep breaths for 7-10 minutes.

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