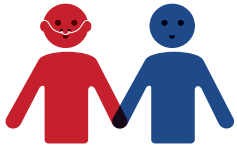


Access to oxygen therapy



CANADA-WIDE 2022-2023 REPORT HIGHLIGHTS



CPFF patient and caregiver survey



Healthcare professional survey and research papers



Oxygen provider survey

Oxygen therapy is hard to access, and can cost thousands of \$\$\$ per year



20% PATIENTS **DID NOT** get a prescription when needed.

14% of patients pay at least some of their oxygen costs **OUT OF POCKET**



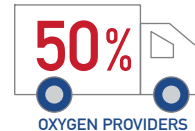
27% HEALTHCARE PROS Say access to home oxygen therapy **needs improvement.**



say provincial reimbursement guidelines **DON'T ALLOW** them to prescribe oxygen therapy to all patients in need.



29% OXYGEN PROVIDERS Agree.



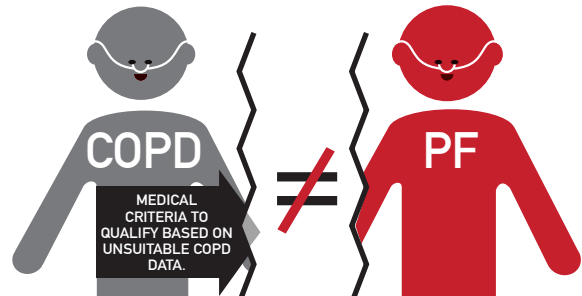
say patients **DO NOT HAVE EQUAL ACCESS** to timely oxygen deliveries.

Medical criteria to qualify for O2 are rigid, inconsistent, or non-existent

PROVINCIAL GUIDELINES CREATE UNACCEPTABLE DISPARITY



*For adults, the normal range of SaO2 is 95 – 100%. A value <90% is considered low O2 saturation.



50% of oxygen providers say PF patients need **SIGNIFICANTLY MORE** O2 than COPD patients.

CANADIANS ARE BREATHLESS FOR CHANGE

PATIENTS AND MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS SAY PULMONARY FIBROSIS PATIENTS HAVE A RIGHT TO:

1 Disease-specific Qualifying Criteria

They are calling for standardized medical criteria based on the unique needs of pulmonary fibrosis patients.

2 Reimbursement for All

They are asking that costs be fully reimbursed for ALL people receiving home oxygen therapy.

3 O2 in All Communities

They are pleading for the oxygen therapy patients need, regardless of where they live.



Canadian Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation

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Scan to read the reports and the research papers:

