**Guidelines for Respiratory Medicine Physician’s Scope of Practice at St Vincent’s Hospital (Melbourne).**

This document details the scope of practice for Respiratory Medicine and records those procedures which are:

* common to all Respiratory Medicine Physicians;

This list cannot replace good judgment and all Respiratory Medicine Physicians are mandated to discuss with their Head of Unit should they anticipate any problems with a proposed surgical procedure.

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| **Usual Respiratory Medicine Procedures** |
| * Allergy Skin Testing * Performance and interpretation of lung function testing * Bronchoprovokation studies * Bronchoscopy (routine with Broncho-alveolar Lavage, Biopsy and Trans-bronchial Biopsy, removal of foreign) * Endobronchial Ultrasound Guided (EBUS) lymph node sampling * Diagnostic flexible larangoscopy * Interventional Pleural procedures: including diagnostic and therapeutic pleurocentesis, Intercostal Catheter Insertion, Pleural Biopsy and Pleural Ultrasound * Non-invasive Ventilation * Sleep Studies (laboratory and home diagnostic studies), * Multiple Sleep Latency Testing (MSLT) |

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