

WAMES



Wisconsin Association of  
Medical Equipment Services

# 2007 Annual Respiratory Seminar

November 13, 2007

at the new Holiday Inn American Center, Madison

Tuesday, November 13th, 2007

## Topics include:

- Current Issues in Home Oxygen Therapy
- The Future Role of RTs in Homecare
- Allergy Issues
- More Opportunities for RT's
- DHFS Update

## Speakers Include:

Joe Lewarski with Invacare Corporation

Dr. J Brent Koostra with Dean Medical Center

A Panel of Providers involved with Respiratory Depts

Vicky Murphy with EDS

## Thank you to the

### WAMES Respiratory Committee

for putting this seminar together!

Jean McAdams with Community HME

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Co-Chairs

7:30 am	<b>Registration &amp; Continental Breakfast</b>
8:15 am	<b>Welcome</b> by Jean McAdams, Vice President of WAMES
8:30 am	<b>Current Issues in Home Oxygen Therapy</b> with Joe Lewarski, VP Respiratory Group, Invacare Corp.  Joe will discuss the changing environment of home oxygen therapy. Clinical, technical and reimbursement issues are re-shaping the home oxygen landscape. It has been nearly 30 years since the completion of the Nocturnal Oxygen Therapy Trial (NOTT) and home oxygen has evolved into a major home-care benefit for Medicare recipients. The growth in O2 users, along with clinical questions and rising health care costs has oxygen in the center of the Medicare payment issues.
10:00 am	<b>Break with Exhibitors</b>
10:30 am	<b>The Future Role of RTs in Homecare</b>  with Joe Lewarski, VP Respiratory Group, Invacare Corp. Homecare continues to evolve and change, which is driven by myriad factors. The role of the home RT grew from marketing to clinical, yet the payor systems have yet to fully recognize the role of the RT. With continued reductions in homecare reimbursement, what will the future look like for home RTs? This lecture will explore some possible scenarios.
Noon	<b>DHFS Interactive Web Site</b>  with Vicky Murphy, EDS  Vicky will provide a general overview of the new Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS) interactive Web site that will broaden the electronic exchange of information between various Wisconsin health care programs and their providers. Also a general overview of Governor Jim Doyle's proposal of an innovative state-sponsored health care program, BadgerCare Plus as part of his 07-09 Biennial Budget to expand coverage to Wisconsin residents.

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### About the presenters:

J. Brent Kooistra, MD is Chairman of the Allergy Department at Dean Medical Center

Joseph Lewarski is Vice President of the Respiratory Group at Invacare Corporation

Vicky Murphy is the Professional Relations Rep with EDS

Panelists:

- Barb O’Leary, BS, RRT is a Respiratory Therapist and Marketing Director for Medical Equipment Specialists
- Donna Smith is Manager of Respiratory at Home Care Medical
- Kathy Weiher is Manager of Respiratory at ThedaCare At Home
- Rebecca Olson, RRT, is Director of Patient Care at Oxygen One
- Jean McAdams is the Owner of Community HME

### Facility information:

The Holiday Inn American Center in Madison  
 5109 West Terrace Drive, Madison, WI 53718  
 Call directly for reservations at 608/249-4220 or  
 888- HOLIDAY / [www.holidayinn.com/madisonwi](http://www.holidayinn.com/madisonwi)  
 WAMES has a special room rate of \$99.00 for single or  
 double occupancy for Monday, October 12th

### Directions:

I-90/94 W toward Madison. Take US-151 N/US-151 S Exit 135A toward Madison Sun Prairie. Merge to US-151 N Exit 135B. Merge onto American Parkway Exit 98B. Left East Park Blvd.

### Exhibits

Manufacturers and distributors of respiratory medical equipment and supplies will be on hand from 10:00 am - 1:30 p.m to bring the latest respiratory products and technology to the 3rd Annual WAMES Respiratory Seminar.

QUESTIONS? Contact Ann Barrett at 715/366-7500 or via email: [abarrett@uniontel.net](mailto:abarrett@uniontel.net) or visit our web site at [www.wames.org](http://www.wames.org).

## Tuesday, November 13, 2007

12:30 - 1:45 pm

Lunch & Time with Exhibitors

1:45 - 2:30 pm

Asthma Update with Jon Kooistra, MD

This presentation will:

1. Review the burden of asthma in Wisconsin
2. Review the pathophysiology and trigger factors for acute and chronic asthma
3. Discuss therapeutic approaches for both acute and chronic asthma
4. Describe Camp WIKIDAS, and how a summer camp experience affects the self-confidence and well being of children with asthma.

2:30 - 3:15 pm

“You Are More Than What Your Industry Thinks”

Panel participants include Respiratory Therapists; Barb O’Leary with Medical Equipment Specialists, Donna Smith with Home Care Medical, Kathy Weiher with ThedaCare At Home, Rebecca Olson with Oxygen One and Jean McAdams with Community HME will moderate.

This is a panel discussion by your peers to open new areas for the home care therapist to do. We will also be discussing between the four RT’s on the panel what they are doing in regards to getting their RTs involved in manage-care, ventilator care, and business development.

3:15 pm

Conclusion & Prize Drawings!

### Prize Drawings

Don’t miss the prize drawings to be held at 3:15 pm!

## REGISTRATION FORM

### Registration Fees

Tuesday, November 13th, 2007

Full Day Session

Includes sessions, lunch and breaks

WAMES Member	- first person	\$85.00
	- additional person(s)	\$75.00
Non-Members		\$125.00

### Cancellations:

#### Registration Policies

- All attendees will receive confirmation by fax or email
- Cancellations for refund minus 20% cancellation fee will be accepted until November 8, 2007.
- No refunds after November 8, 2007.

### Attendee Names

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email \_\_\_\_\_

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City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone/Fax \_\_\_\_\_

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