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Policy Type	
MEDICAL	

Medical Policy Statement prepared by CareSource and its affiliates are derived from literature based on and supported by clinical guidelines, nationally recognized utilization and technology assessment guidelines, other medical management industry standards, and physician input. These services meet the standards of good medical practice.

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The MEDICAL Policy Statement detailed above has received due consideration as defined in the MEDICAL Policy Statement Policy and is approved.

1. Infant is stable on room air after discontinuation of oxygen therapy for up to 48 hours.
 2. Infant is apnea and bradycardia-free for 5 to 7 days off caffeine therapy, if applicable.
 3. Infant passed car seat test, if applicable.
- C. Feeding and Adequate Weight Gain
1. Infant demonstrates adequate PO feeding by bottle or breast for up to 48 hours.
 2. Overall weight gain is adequate, as expected for gestational age and day of life.
- D. Bilirubin
1. Acceptable level based on hours of life per AAP Bilitool (Bilitool.org) and;
 2. Risk factors include the following:
 - a. Gestational age <38 weeks (risk increases with the degree of prematurity)
 - b. Albumin <3.0 g/dL
 - c. Isoimmune hemolytic disease (ie, positive direct antiglobulin test), G6PD deficiency, or other hemolytic conditions
 - d. Sepsis
 - e. Significant clinical instability in the previous 24 hours
- II. CareSource considers neonatal discharge medically appropriate for **technology dependent** infants when **ALL** of the following clinical criteria are met:
- A. Cardio-Respiratory Stability:
1. Infant is stable, \dot{V}_E 6-10 L/min (an) 10.5 (t) 81 0 Td[(s) 8.9 (t)-d[2Td()Tj26 Twi8 Td()2 Tw 0.Td(



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