



## Tools and resources on respiratory secretions for use in clinical practice, education and training

### Complete this tool

[Victoria Respiratory Congestion Scale \(VRCS\) \(114kb pdf\)](#)

Assess severity of respiratory secretions using this scale by Victoria Hospice Society

### Optimise your learning

[Death Rattle Intensity Scale](#)

Read this study by Back, et al. outlining an observation scale to assess the severity of respiratory secretions

### Read this resource

[Pharmacological management of end of life symptoms in residential aged care residents \(260kb pdf\)](#)

Follow guidance by Queensland Health for pharmacological treatment of respiratory secretions at end of life

### Read the evidence

[Last days of life: Respiratory tract secretions](#)

Access evidence-based information by Therapeutic Guidelines on treatments for respiratory secretions in the last days of life in palliative care patients

### Access this guide

[Anticipatory medicines \(1.17MB pdf\)](#)

Access guidance by Safer Care Victoria on home-based assessment and symptom management at the end of life

### Access this resource

[Management of respiratory tract secretions in the last days of life \(96kb pdf\)](#)

Use this flowchart by Clinical Excellence Commission to guide assessment and treatment