# CHAPTER 212: PULMONARY MEDICINE SERVICE

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1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This document outlines Space Planning Criteria for Chapter 212: Pulmonary Medicine Service. It applies to all medical facilities in Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

2 DEFINITIONS

Blood Gas Analysis: A test which analyzes arterial blood for oxygen, carbon dioxide and bicarbonate content in addition to blood pH. It is used to test the effectiveness of respiration.

Bronchoscopy: A procedure that involves placement of a viewing instrument into the trachea (windpipe) and bronchi (airways) to diagnose or treat lung and airway problems. This procedure is typically performed to investigate abnormal chest x-rays, to collect biopsy bronchial or lung secretions, or to help diagnose and evaluate upper respiratory issues.

Healthcare Planning Module: Methodology used to create a VISN Strategic Plan which defines how and where high-cost services should be delivered in each market.

Picture Archiving and Communication System (PACS): The digital capture, transfer, and storage of diagnostic images. A PACS system consists of: workstations for interpretation, image/data producing modalities, a web server for distribution, printers for file records, image servers for information transfer and holding, and an archive of off-line information. A computer network is needed to support digital imaging devices.

Polysomnography / Sleep Study: The collective process of monitoring and recording physiologic data during sleep.

Pulmonary Medicine: The branch of medicine that deals with the causes, diagnoses, prevention, and treatment of diseases affecting the lungs.

Pulmonary Function Test (PFT): Procedure used for measuring how well the lungs are working. The most common tests measure the ability of lungs to move air into and out of the lung.

Respiratory Therapy (RT): The treatment or management of acute and chronic breathing disorders, using respirators, supplemental oxygen, mechanical or noninvasive ventilation, or the administration of medication in aerosol form, including exercises and treatments that help patients recover lung function, such as after surgery.

Spirometry: Measurement of volume of air inhaled or exhaled by the lung.

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Accessible: A site, building, facility, or portion thereof that complies with provisions outlined in the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 (ABA).
Architectural Barriers Act (ABA): A set of standards developed to ensure that all buildings financed with federal funds are designed and constructed to be fully accessible to everyone. This law requires all construction, renovation, or leasing of sites, facilities, buildings, and other elements, financed with federal funds, to comply with the Architectural Barriers Act Accessibility Standards (ABAAS). The ABAAS replaces the Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards (UFAS).

Average Length of Encounter (ALoE): Averaged length of time, in minutes, a patient spends in an Exam / Treatment Room interacting with a provider and the clinical support team. It is accounted from room “set-up” to “clean-up” by staff. This metric is used to determine the number of annual patient / provider encounters that take place in an Exam / Treatment Room which, in turn, is used to calculate the number of Exam / Treatment Rooms needed in a facility based on projected annual workload. The ALoE is determined with VHA SME input during a PG-18-9 clinical chapter revision / update.

Average Length of Stay (ALoS): The average number of days a patient Veteran stays in an inpatient care unit. The ALoS is used to calculate the number of patient bedrooms for a specialty by dividing the site’s projected workload by the ALoS.

Building Gross (BG) Factor: A Factor applied to the sum of all the Departmental Gross Square Footage (DGSF) in a project to determine the Building Gross Square Footage. This factor accounts for square footage used by the building envelope, structural systems, horizontal and vertical circulation including main corridors, elevators, stairs and escalators, shafts, and mechanical spaces. The Department of Veterans Affairs has set this factor at 1.35 and included guidance in case of variance when developing a Program for Design (PFD) in SEPS.

Clinic Stop: Per these criteria, a clinic stop is the workload unit of measure for space planning. Clinic Stops are codified by VSSC, when applicable, they are referenced by number in the calculation of workload driven patient care spaces in this document.

Department Net to Gross (DNTG) Factor: A parameter, determined by the VA for each clinical and non-clinical department PG-18-9 space planning criteria chapter, used to convert the programmed Net Square Feet (NSF) area to the Department Gross Square Feet (DGSF) area.

Encounter: An interaction between a patient Veteran and a VA provider or providers in an Exam Room / Treatment Room / Consultation Room / Procedure Room, spaces where a patient Veteran received clinical care.

Full-Time Equivalent (FTE): A staffing parameter equal to the amount of time assigned to one full time employee. It may be composed of several part-time employees whose combined time commitment equals that of one full-time employee (i.e., 40 hours per week).

Functional Area (FA): The grouping of rooms and spaces based on their function within a clinical service or department.
**Functional Area Criteria Statement (FACS)**: A verbalized mathematical / logical formulation assigned to a FA incorporating answers to Input Data Statements (IDSs) to determine the condition for providing the rooms / spaces listed in the FA in the baseline space program or Program for Design (PFD) for a project. Certain rooms / spaces may or may not have additional conditions.

**Input Data Statement(s)**: A question or set of questions designed to elicit information about the healthcare project to generate a Program for Design (PFD) based on the parameters set forth in this set of documents. This information is processed through mathematical and logical operations in the VA Space and Equipment Planning System (SEPS).

**JSN (Joint Schedule Number)**: A unique five alpha-numeric code assigned to each content item in the PG-18-5 Standard. JSNs are defined in DoD’s Military Standard 1691 and included in SEPS Content Table.

**Net Square Feet / Net Square Meters (NSF/NSM)**: The area of a room or space derived from that within the interior surface of the bounding walls or boundaries.

**Patient Unique**: (or Unique Patient), A Veteran patient counted as a unique in each division from which they receive care. Patient Uniques are included in the Registry for a VA Medical Center.

**Program for Design (PFD)**: A project specific itemized listing of the spaces, rooms, and square foot area required for the proper operation of a specific service / department, and the corresponding area for each. PFDs are generated by SEPS based on the PG-18-9 Standard.

**PG-18-9**: A Department of Veterans Affairs’ Program Guide for the Space Planning Criteria Standard use to develop space planning guidance for the planning, design, and construction of VA healthcare facilities; a Program Guide (PG) that provides space planning guidance for VA Medical Centers (VAMCs) and Community Bases Outpatient Clinics (CBOCs). PG-18-9 is organized by chapters, as of September 2021 there are 56 clinical and non-clinical PG-18-9 chapters; they are implemented and deployed in SEPS so that space planners working on VA healthcare projects can develop baseline space programs.

**PG-18-5**: A Department of Veterans Affairs’ Equipment Guidelist Standard for planning, design, and construction of VA healthcare facilities; a Program Guide (PG) that lists assigned room contents (medical equipment, furniture, and fixtures) to each room in PG-18-9. PG-18-5 follows PG-18-9’s chapter organization and nomenclature.

**PG-18-12**: A Department of Veterans Affairs’ Design Guide Standard for planning, design and construction of VA healthcare facilities, a Program Guide (PG) that provides design guidance for VA Medical Centers (VAMCs) and Community Bases Outpatient Clinics (CBOCs). The narrative section details functional requirements and the Room Template section details the planning and design of key rooms in PG-18-9. Not all PG-18-9 chapters have a corresponding PG-18-12 Design Guide; one Design Guide can cover more than one PG-18-9 chapter.
Provider: An individual who examines, diagnoses, treats, prescribes medication, and manages the care of patients within his or her scope of practice as established by the governing body of a healthcare organization.

Room Area: The square footage required for a clinical or non-clinical function to take place in a room / space. It takes into account the floor area required by equipment (medical and non-medical), furniture, circulation, and appropriate function / code-mandated clearances. Room area is measured in Net Square Feet (NSF).

Room Code (RC): A unique five alpha-numeric code assigned to each room in the PG-18-9 Standard. Room Codes in PG-18-9 are unique to VA and are the basis for SEPS's Space Table for VA projects.

Room Criteria Statement (RCS): A mathematical / logical formulation assigned to each room / space included in PG-18-9 incorporating answers to Input Data Statements (IDSs) to determine the provision of the room / space in the baseline space program or Program for Design (PFD) for a project.

Room Efficiency Factor: A factor that provides flexibility in the utilization of a room to account for patient delays, scheduling conflicts, and equipment maintenance. Common factors are in the 75% to 85% range. A room with 80% room efficiency provides a buffer to assume that this room would be available 20% of the time beyond the planned operational practices for this room. This factor may be adjusted based on the actual and/or anticipated operations and processes of the room/department at a particular facility.

SEPS: Acronym for Space and Equipment Planning System which produces equipment lists and Program for Design for a healthcare project based on specific information entered in response to Input Data Questions.

SEPS Importer: A style-based format developed to allow upload of RCSs and IDSs to SEPS to implement and operationalize space planning criteria in PG-18-9 in the SEPS digital tool. This format establishes the syntax used in the RCSs and allows the use of Shortcuts. Shortcuts allow developers of space planning criteria statements to simplify RCSs making full use of their logical and mathematical functionality. A shortcut can refer to an RCS, a room in any FA or a formula. Shortcuts are [bracketed] when used in FAs and RCSs and are listed along with their equivalences at the end of the Space Planning Criteria section.

Space Planning Concept Matrix (SPCM): A working document developed during the chapter update process. It lists all the rooms organized by Functional Area and establishes ratios between the directly and the indirectly workload driven rooms for the planning range defined in this document. The matrix is organized in ascending workload values in ranges reflecting existing facilities and potential future increase. Section 5 of this document Space Planning Criteria reflects the values in the SPCM.

Stop Code: A measure of workload including clinic stops forecasted by the Office of Policy and Planning (OPP) for all Strategic Planning Categories at Medical Center and Outpatient Clinic levels.
**Telehealth**: The use of technology, such as computers and mobile devices, to manage healthcare remotely. It includes a variety of health care services, including but not limited to online support groups, online health information and self-management tools, email and online communication with health care providers, remote monitoring of vital signs, video, or online doctor visits. Depending on the concept of operations for this space, it may be equipped as an exam room or as a consult room with video/camera capability.

**Utilization Rate**: A factor used in the calculation of a directly workload-driven room throughput. It represents, in a percent value, the room is idle based on the planning assumptions. For example, if a directly workload-driven room is available for use 8 hours a day, the Utilization Rate represents the assumed time it will be actually be used, an 85% utilization rate indicates, for planning purposes, the room will be used 6.8 hours a day. An additional directly workload-driven room will be provided in the calculation once the previous room has reached 100% utilization. The utilization Rate is embedded in the Room Throughput value calculated in Section 3 of this document.

**VA Room Family (VA RF)**: An organizational system of rooms / spaces grouped by function, a ‘Room Family’. There are two “Orders” in the VA RF: Patient Care and Patient Care Support; Patient Care features four sub-orders: Clinical, Inpatient, Outpatient and Residential Clinical. There are also four sub-orders in the Patient Care Support order: Building Support, Clinical Support, Staff Support and Veteran Support. Each room in a Family has a unique Room Code and NSF assigned based on its Room Contents and function which correspond to the specific use of the room. The same RC can be assigned to different Room Names with the same function in this document and can be assigned an NSF that varies based on the PG-18-5 Room Contents assigned to the room.

**VA Technical Information Library (TIL)**: A resource website maintained by the Facilities Standards Service (FSS) Office of Construction and Facilities Management (CFM) containing a broad range of technical publications related to the planning, design, leasing, and construction of VA facilities. VA-TIL can be accessed at: [https://www.cfm.va.gov/TIL/](https://www.cfm.va.gov/TIL/)

**Workload**: Workload is the anticipated number of procedures, clinic stops, clinic encounters etc. that is processed through a department/service area. The total workload applied to departmental operational assumptions will determine overall room requirements by modality.

**Workstation**: Area outfitted with equipment and furnishings, typically allocated 56 NSF each. Managers and other staff with no direct reports as well as part-time, seasonal, and job-sharing staff may qualify for a workstation. Such environments are particularly conducive to team-oriented office groupings. These environments work best when they have access to conference and small group meeting spaces.
3 OPERATING RATIONALE AND BASIS OF CRITERIA

A. Space planning criteria included in this Standard have been specifically developed for this Department / Service in a Department of Veterans Affairs healthcare facility based on established VHA policy and guidelines to define the scope of services provided for the existing workload demand as well as that in the foreseeable future. Rooms and Functional Areas are provided based on research of clinical and non-clinical activities performed in this Department.

B. Development / update of VA’s Program Guide (PG) standards is a research based effort executed with participation of VHA Subject Matter Experts (SMEs), VA-Construction and Facilities Management Office (CFM) professional staff and specialty consultants hired for the task. These space planning standards are based on current applicable VHA policies and guidelines, established and/or anticipated best practice standards, and latest medical technology developments. Workload metrics were tailored to satisfy current and anticipated veteran workload demand.

C. The space planning component of PG-18-9 is based on the Space Planning Concept Matrix (SPCM) which lists all the rooms organized by Functional Area and assigns room quantity (Q) and area (NSF) for a series of ranges corresponding to the smallest to the largest department for this service in the VA healthcare system in incremental size; each range corresponds to a workload parameter which determines the number and area of each directly workload-driven room. The rest of the rooms in the range i.e., waiting, storage, staff workstations, etc. are determined by ratios to the resulting number of or NSF of the workload-driven rooms.

D. Sections 4 and 5 of these space planning standards as well as the PG-18-5 standard are implemented in the Space and Equipment Planning System (SEPS) and hosted at the MAX.gov website so planners working on VA Construction projects can develop single or multi-department projects based on these PG-18-9- and the PG-18-5 standards. Output from SEPS is through Space and Contents Reports; the Space Report is the Program for Design (PFD), the Content Report is the Project Room Contents (PRC). Inclusion of a Functional Area as well as Room quantity (Q) and determination of the room area (NSF) in the PFD is based on the projected Workload input which triggers calculations included in the Room Criteria Statements (RCSs). The RCSs are placed immediately after each room name, room code and baseline area (NSF). The PRC list the medical equipment, furniture and fixtures associated to each Room Code in the project. The PFD & PRC are the baseline requirements for the planning phase of a VA project based on a site’s projected workload for the target planning year. This chapter’s corresponding PG-18-12, Design Guide -if available- is intended for use during the design phase of the project.
E. Space Planning parameters and metrics in this document are based on the Pulmonary Medicine Service Space Planning Criteria Matrix (SPCM) developed as the basis for this chapter. The Pulmonary Medicine Service SPCM lists all the spaces a VA Pulmonary Medicine Service site would require; the quantity and NSF for each room is calculated based on the Pulmonary Medicine Service projected workload or number of FTE positions authorized. The SPCM is organized in 15 ranges as follows:

a. Ranges 1 to 5: Pulmonary Function Stop Code 104 between 960 and 16,000 annual clinic stops (in increments of 3,200)

b. Ranges 6 to 10: Bronchoscopy Stop Code 312 between 240 and 4,000 annual clinic stops (in increments of 800)

c. Ranges 11 to 15 Sleep Medicine Stop Code 349 between 60 and 1,000 annual clinic stops (in increments of 200)

This way all current VA Pulmonary Medicine Service sites are covered, the upper ranges are calculated for future facilities in case a higher projected workload or FTE positions authorized than those at the present time for Pulmonary Medicine Service.

F. The SPCM metrics are translated into one (or more) Room Criteria Statement (RCS) for each room in Section 5 of this document. The SPCM Planning Range, the maximum number of directly workload-driven exam rooms, in this document is 15. If a project shall require provision of workload driven rooms above the maximum range value refer to CFM for guidance. Rooms in this space planning document are organized in 8 Functional Areas (FAs).

G. Based on its intended function, each room / space is assigned a:
   1. Room Name (RN),
   2. Room Code (RC),
   3. Room Area, the Net Square Feet (NSF) and its corresponding “soft metric” Net Square Meters (NSM),
   4. Unique Room Criteria Statement(s) (RCSs) correlated to answers to Input Data Statements (IDSs), and
   5. Room Comment as needed.

H. The Room Codes included in this chapter stem from the VA Room Family. A unique support space, that may have variable area, is assigned a unique Room Code and adopts the square footage, as needed, correlated to the room contents assigned which in turn correspond to the range for those rooms. A unique clinical space or a direct clinical support room, i.e., control room, system components room, etc. typically does not feature variable NSF. Patient Care room names for rooms unique to this chapter end in “, Pulm Svc”. Patient Care Support room names end in “, Bldg Sprt”, “Clncl Sprt”, “Stff Sprt”, or “, Vet Sprt”, correlating to Building, Clinical, Staff or Veteran Support room families.

I. Section 5, Sub-Section I lists the SEPS Importer Shortcuts used for implementation of Sections 4 & 5 in SEPS. These shortcuts are inserted into the Room Criteria Statement
(RCS) for each room which upon upload into the Space and Equipment Planning System (SEPS) allowing planners developing VA healthcare projects to determine quantity and square footage of each room by performing mathematical or logical calculations. Shortcuts refer Input Data Statements (IDSs), Rooms or calculation parameters stemming from the SPCM.

J. SEPS is accessible to government healthcare planners and private sector consultants working on VA HC projects during their Period of Performance (PoP) through the MAX.gov website; government provided Training is a requisite for access.

K. SEPS incorporates a Net-to-Department Gross factor (NTDG) factor of 1.50 for Pulmonary Medicine Service and a Building Gross factor of 1.35 in the space calculation to generate the Department Gross Square Feet (DGSF) and the Building Gross Square Feet (BGSF) respectively for the project based on the aggregate resulting Net Square Feet (NSF) for each range. Planners can adjust the BGSF factor in SEPS; the NTDG factor is fixed.

L. Refer to the chapter corresponding PG-18-5 Equipment Guidelist for the Room Content assignment for each room during the planning phase of a project.

M. Refer to the chapter corresponding PG-18-12: Design Guide, if available, during the planning and design phases of a project. Not all PG-18-9 clinical chapters have a corresponding PG-18-12 document, please refer to the VA-TIL.

N. The space planning and design Program Guides: PG-18-9, PG-18-5, and PG-18-12 are available at the Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Construction and Facilities Management (CFM) Technical Information Library (TIL) website.

4 INPUT DATA STATEMENTS (IDS)
A. How many annual Pulmonary Function Clinic Stops (Stop Code 104) are projected? (W) (Values: 960 to 16,000)
B. How many annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) are projected? (W) (Values: 240 to 4,000)
C. How many annual Sleep Medicine Clinic Stops (Stop Code 349) are projected? (W) (Values: 60 to 1,000)

5 SPACE PLANNING CRITERIA
For functional descriptions of key spaces refer to the Design Guide for Pulmonary Medicine Service.

A. FA 1: RECEPTION AREA
1. Pulm Svc Waiting, Bldg Sprt (SB003) ................................................. 80 NSF (7.5 NSM)
   a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is 1
   b. Provide one at 130 NSF if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 2 and 3
   c. Provide one at 190 NSF if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 4 and 5
   d. Provide one at 260 NSF if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 6 and 7
e. Provide one at 310 NSF if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 8 and 9
f. Provide one at 370 NSF if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 10 and 11
g. Provide one at 440 NSF if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 12 and 13
h. Provide one at 520 NSF if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 14 and 15

2. Pulm Svc Reception, Clncl Sprt (SC 183) ................................. 85 NSF (7.9 NSM)
a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 5
b. Provide one at 260 NSF if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 6 and 15

Allocated NSF accommodates two Receptionist FTEs, patient privacy area, and circulation.

3. Pulm Svc Patient Education Kiosk, Clncl Sprt (SC170) .................... 40 NSF (3.8 NSM)
a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 5
b. Provide two if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 6 and 15

Used as a medical information resource for patients and visitors. Locate accessible to Waiting.

4. Pulm Svc Patient Education Room, Clncl Sprt (SC 171) .................... 80 NSF (7.5 NSM)
a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 5
b. Provide one at 100 NSF if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 6 and 15

Patient Education / Resource Room to be used for private patient education needs and also as a medical information resource, which may include electronic and hard copy material, for patients and visitors. Locate accessible to Waiting.

5. Pulm Svc Family Toilet, Bldg Sprt (SB136) ...................................... 80 NSF (7.5 NSM)
a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 15

Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible toilet @ 25 NSF, one wall-hung lavatory @ 12 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation. This space may be shared with an adjacent service / clinic.

6. Pulm Svc Visitor Toilet, Bldg Sprt (SB191) ...................................... 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)
a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 15

Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible toilet @ 25 NSF, one wall-hung lavatory @ 12 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation.

B. FA 2: PULMONARY MEDICINE / RESPIRATORY CARE PATIENT AREA

1. Pulmonary Function Testing Laboratory, Pulm Svc (CPL01) ..........120 NSF (11.2 NSM)
a. Provide one if [annual Pulmonary Function Clinic Stops (Stop Code 104) projected] is between 960 and 3,200
b. Provide two if [annual Pulmonary Function Clinic Stops (Stop Code 104) projected] is between 3,201 and 6,400
c. Provide three if [annual Pulmonary Function Clinic Stops (Stop Code 104) projected] is between 6,401 and 9,600
d. Provide four if [annual Pulmonary Function Clinic Stops (Stop Code 104) projected] is between 9,601 and 12,800

e. Provide five if [annual Pulmonary Function Clinic Stops (Stop Code 104) projected] is between 12,801 and 16,000

2. Extended Pulmonary Function Testing Laboratory, 
   Pulm Svc (CPL02).............................................................120 NSF (11.2 NSM)
   a. Provide one if [annual Pulmonary Function Clinic Stops (Stop Code 104) projected] is between 960 and 16,000

3. Pulmonary Physiology Exercise Laboratory, Pulm Svc (CPL03) ....240 NSF (22.3 NSM)
   a. Provide one if [annual Pulmonary Function Clinic Stops (Stop Code 104) projected] is between 960 and 16,000

4. Pulm Svc Consult Room, Clncl Sprt (SC271) .........................120 NSF (11.2 NSM)
   a. Provide one if [annual Pulmonary Function Clinic Stops (Stop Code 104) projected] is between 960 and 16,000

5. Pulm Svc Patient Toilet, Bldg Sprt (SB201)............................ 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)
   a. Provide one if [annual Pulmonary Function Clinic Stops (Stop Code 104) projected] is between 960 and 16,000
   
   Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible toilet @ 25 NSF, one accessible wall-hung lavatory @ 13 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation.

6. Pulm Svc Patient Toilet / Shower, Bldg Sprt (SB199)............. 85 NSF (7.9 NSM)
   a. Provide one if [annual Pulmonary Function Clinic Stops (Stop Code 104) projected] is between 960 and 16,000
   
   Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible toilet @ 25 NSF, one accessible counter lavatory @ 16 NSF, one accessible shower @ 28 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation.

C. FA 3: BRONCHOSCOPY PATIENT AREA

1. Bronchoscopy Procedure Room, Pulm Svc (CPL11) ...............300 NSF (27.9 NSM)
   a. Provide one if [annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected] is between 240 and 800
   b. Provide two if [annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected] is between 801 and 1,600
   c. Provide three if [annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected] is between 1,601 and 2,400
   d. Provide four if [annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected] is between 2,401 and 3,200
   e. Provide five if [annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected] is between 3,201 and 4,000

2. Bronchoscopy Equipment Cleaning Room, Pulm Svc (CPL12)....... 80 NSF (7.5 NSM)
3. **Pulm Svc Bronchoscopy Patient Toilet, Bldg Sprt (SB201) ............... 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)
   a. Provide one if [annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected] is between 240 and 4,000

Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible toilet @ 25 NSF, one accessible wall-hung lavatory @ 13 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation.

### D. FA 4: SLEEP STUDY PATIENT AREA

1. **Sleep Study Room, Pulm Svc (CPL21)..........................................210 NSF (19.6 NSM)
   a. Provide one if [annual Sleep Medicine Clinic Stops (Stop Code 349) projected] is between 60 and 200
   b. Provide two if [annual Sleep Medicine Clinic Stops (Stop Code 349) projected] is between 201 and 400
   c. Provide three if [annual Sleep Medicine Clinic Stops (Stop Code 349) projected] is between 401 and 600
   d. Provide four if [annual Sleep Medicine Clinic Stops (Stop Code 349) projected] is between 601 and 800
   e. Provide five if [annual Sleep Medicine Clinic Stops (Stop Code 349) projected] is between 801 and 1,000

2. **Pulm Svc Sleep Study Patient Toilet / Shower, Bldg Sprt (SB199) ........................................................................ 85 NSF (7.9 NSM)
   a. Provide one if [annual Sleep Medicine Clinic Stops (Stop Code 349) projected] is between 60 and 1,000

Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible toilet @ 25 NSF, one accessible counter lavatory @ 16 NSF, one accessible shower @ 28 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation. This room should be directly accessible from the Sleep Study Room.

3. **Sleep Study Monitoring Room, Pulm Svc (CPL22) .......................150 NSF (14.0 NSM)
   a. Provide one if [annual Sleep Medicine Clinic Stops (Stop Code 349) projected] is between 60 and 1,000

4. **Sleep Study Patient Prep Room, Pulm Svc (CPL23) .....................150 NSF (14.0 NSM)
   a. Provide one if [annual Sleep Medicine Clinic Stops (Stop Code 349) projected] is between 60 and 1,000

5. **Pulm Svc Sleep Study Nourishment Room, Clncl Sprt (SC294)....... 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)
   a. Provide one if [annual Sleep Medicine Clinic Stops (Stop Code 349) projected] is between 60 and 1,000

6. **Pulm Svc Sleep Study Clean Linen Alcove, EMS (SC467)............. 40 NSF (3.8 NSM)
   a. Provide one if [annual Sleep Medicine Clinic Stops (Stop Code 349) projected] is between 60 and 1,000
7. **Pulm Svc Sleep Study Staff Toilet, Bldg Sprt (SB191)** .............................. 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)
   a. Provide one if \[\text{annual Sleep Medicine Clinic Stops (Stop Code 349) projected}\] is between 60 and 1,000

Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible toilet @ 25 NSF, one wall-hung lavatory @ 12 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation.

**E. FA 5: PREP AND RECOVERY PATIENT AREA**

1. **Prep / Recovery Room, Pulm Svc (CPL31)** .................................120 NSF (11.2 NSM)
   a. Provide two if \[\text{annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected}\] is between 240 and 800
   b. Provide four if \[\text{annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected}\] is between 801 and 1,600
   c. Provide six if \[\text{annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected}\] is between 1,601 and 2,400
   d. Provide eight if \[\text{annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected}\] is between 2,401 and 3,200
   e. Provide ten if \[\text{annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected}\] is between 3,201 and 4,000

Prep / Recovery Rooms can be combined with Prep / Recovery services of other departments as appropriate.

2. **Prep / Recovery Cubicle, Pulm Svc (CPL32)** .................................120 NSF (11.2 NSM)
   a. Provide one if \[\text{annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected}\] is between 240 and 800
   b. Provide two if \[\text{annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected}\] is between 801 and 1,600
   c. Provide three if \[\text{annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected}\] is between 1,601 and 2,400
   d. Provide four if \[\text{annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected}\] is between 2,401 and 3,200
   e. Provide five if \[\text{annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected}\] is between 3,201 and 4,000

Prep / Recovery Cubicles can be combined with Prep / Recovery services of other departments as appropriate.

3. **Pulm Svc Prep / Recovery Patient Toilet, Bldg Sprt (SB201)** .......... 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)
   a. Provide one if \[\text{annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected}\] is between 240 and 2,400
   b. Provide two if \[\text{annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected}\] is between 2,401 and 4,000

Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible toilet @ 25 NSF, one accessible wall-hung lavatory @ 13 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation. This room must be directly accessible from the Patient Prep / Recovery Area.
4. **Pulm Svc Prep / Recovery Nurse Station, Clncr Sprt (SC152) ........ 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)**
   a. Provide one if [annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected] is between 240 and 1,600
   b. Provide one at 90 NSF if [annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected] is between 1,601 and 3,200
   c. Provide one at 120 NSF if [annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected] is between 3,201 and 4,000

5. **Pulm Svc Prep / Recovery Medication Room, Phrm Svc (SV583) ................................................................. 80 NSF (7.5 NSM)**
   a. Provide one if [annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected] is between 240 and 4,000

Allocated NSF can be decentralized to reduce travel distances for staff.

6. **Pulm Svc Prep / Recovery Refreshment Center Alcove, F&N Svc (SV381) ............................................................... 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)**
   a. Provide one if [annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected] is between 240 and 4,000

Allocated NSF can be decentralized to reduce travel distances for staff.

7. **Pulm Svc Prep / Recovery Clean Linen Alcove, EMS (SC471) ........ 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)**
   a. Provide one if [annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected] is between 240 and 2,400
   b. Provide one at 100 NSF if [annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected] is between 2,401 and 4,000

8. **Pulm Svc Prep / Recovery Clean Utility Room, Lgstcs Svc (SB737) ................................................................. 80 NSF (7.5 NSM)**
   a. Provide one if [annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected] is between 240 and 2,400
   b. Provide one at 120 NSF if [annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected] is between 2,401 and 4,000

Allocated NSF can be decentralized to reduce travel distances for staff.

   a. Provide one if [annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected] is between 240 and 2,400
   b. Provide one at 120 NSF if [annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected] is between 2,401 and 4,000

This room provides an area for cleanup of medical equipment, instruments, and for disposal of waste material. Allocated NSF can be decentralized to reduce travel distances for staff.

10. **Pulm Svc Prep / Recovery Crash Cart Alcove,**
Clncl Sprt (SC052) .................................................................................................................. 20 NSF (1.9 NSM)
a. Provide one if [annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected] is between 240 and 2,400
b. Provide two if [annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected] is between 2,401 and 4,000

11. Pulm Svc Prep / Recov Wheelchair / Stretcher Alcove,
Bldg Sprt (SB252) .................................................................................................................. 50 NSF (4.7 NSM)
a. Provide one if [annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected] is between 240 and 2,400
b. Provide two if [annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected] is between 2,401 and 4,000

12. Pulm Svc Prep / Recovery Housekeeping Aides Closet (HAC),
Bldg Sprt (SB244) .................................................................................................................. 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)
a. Provide one if [annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected] is between 240 and 4,000

F. FA 6: SUPPORT AREA

1. Respiratory Therapy Room, Pulm Svc (CPL41) ..................................................120 NSF (11.2 NSM)
a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 15
b. Provide two if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 6 and 15

2. Medical Gas Storage Room, Pulm Svc (CPL42) ............................................ 80 NSF (7.5 NSM)
a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 15

For the storage of full and empty gas cylinders.

3. Ventilator Storage Room, Pulm Svc (CPL43) .................................................. 100 NSF (9.3 NSM)
a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 5
b. Provide one at 140 NSF if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 6 and 10
c. Provide one at 180 NSF if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 11 and 15

4. Pulm Svc Clean Utility Room, Lgstcs Svc (SB737) ............................... 80 NSF (7.5 NSM)
a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 5
b. Provide one at 100 NSF if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 6 and 10
c. Provide one at 120 NSF if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 11 and 15

Allocated NSF can be decentralized to reduce travel distances for staff.

5. Pulm Svc Soiled Utility Room, Lgstcs Svc (SB743)............................... 80 NSF (7.5 NSM)
a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 5
b. Provide one at 100 NSF if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 6 and 10
c. Provide one at 120 NSF if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 11 and 15

This room provides an area for cleanup of medical equipment, instruments, and for disposal of waste material. Allocated NSF can be decentralized to reduce travel distances for staff.
   a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 5
   b. Provide one at 200 NSF if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 6 and 10
   c. Provide one at 240 NSF if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 11 and 15

   This room provides an area for Storage of Argon Plasma Coagulation and C-Arm Equipment.

7. **Pulm Svc Crash Cart Alcove, Clncl Sprt (SC052) .................. 20 NSF (1.9 NSM)**
   a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 15

8. **Pulm Svc Wheelchair / Stretcher Alcove, Bldg Sprt (SB252) ....... 50 NSF (4.7 NSM)**
   a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 5
   b. Provide two if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 6 and 10
   c. Provide three if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 11 and 15

9. **Pulm Svc Housekeeping Aides Closet (HAC), Bldg Sprt (SB244) ...... 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)**
   a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 15

G. **FA 7: STAFF AND ADMINISTRATIVE AREA**

1. **Pulm Svc Respiratory Therapy Director Office, Stff Sprt (SS204) ....................................................... 100 NSF (9.3 NSM)**
   a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 15

2. **Pulm Svc Administration Waiting, Bldg Sprt (SB003) .............. 80 NSF (7.5 NSM)**
   a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 15

   Allocated space accommodates one standard chair @ 9 NSF, one bariatric chair @ 14 NSF, one accessible space @ 10 NSF, and circulation; total three people.

3. **Pulm Svc Administrative Support Workstation, Stff Sprt (SS218) ................................................................. 56 NSF (5.3 NSM)**
   a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 15

4. **Pulm Svc Physician Workstation, Stff Sprt (SS218) ................... 56 NSF (5.3 NSM)**
   a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 2
   b. Provide two if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 3 and 4
   c. Provide three if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 5 and 6
   d. Provide four if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 7 and 8
   e. Provide five if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 9 and 10
   f. Provide six if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 11 and 15

5. **Pulm Svc Nurse Manager Office, Stff Sprt (SS204) ................. 100 NSF (9.3 NSM)**
   a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 5
   b. Provide two if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 6 and 15

6. **Pulm Svc Technician Workstation, Stff Sprt (SS218) ............... 56 NSF (5.3 NSM)**
   a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 10
   b. Provide two if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 11 and 15
7. **Pulm Svc Home Care Coordinator Workstation, Stff Sprt (SS218)** ................................................................. 56 NSF (5.3 NSM)
   a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 15

8. **Pulm Svc Polysomnographer Workstation, Stff Sprt (SS218).......... 56 NSF (5.3 NSM)**
   a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 10
   b. Provide two if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 11 and 15

9. **Pulm Svc Respiratory Therapist Workstation, Stff Sprt (SS218)............................................................................ 56 NSF (5.3 NSM)**
   a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 5
   b. Provide two if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 6 and 10
   c. Provide three if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 11 and 15

10. **Pulm Svc Administration Support Workstation, Stff Sprt (SS218) ............................................................................ 56 NSF (5.3 NSM)**
    a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 10
    b. Provide two if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 11 and 15

11. **Pulm Svc Copy / Supply Room, Stff Sprt (SS272)............................ 80 NSF (7.5 NSM)**
    a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 15

12. **Pulm Svc Staff Breakroom, Stff Sprt (SS262).................................120 NSF (11.2 NSM)**
    a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 5
    b. Provide one at 180 NSF if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 6 and 10
    c. Provide one at 240 NSF if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 11 and 15

13. **Pulm Svc Staff Locker Room, Stff Sprt (SS282)................................. 100 NSF (9.3 NSM)**
    a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 5
    b. Provide one at 120 NSF if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 6 and 10
    c. Provide one at 160 NSF if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 11 and 15

    Provide locker space only for those FTEs without assigned office or workspace. For less than five FTE combine Locker Room facilities with adjacent department or sum in chapter 410.

14. **Pulm Svc Staff Toilet, Bldg Sprt (SB191)......................................... 60 NSF (5.6 NSM)**
    a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 5
    b. Provide two if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 6 and 15

    Allocated NSF accommodates one accessible toilet @ 25 NSF, one wall-hung lavatory @ 12 NSF, ABA clearances, and circulation.

**H. FA 8: EDUCATION AREA**

The spaces below provide programming of educational spaces at department / service / chapter level. Alternatively, sum all departments/services data for Residency Program, and program space in Chapter 402 - Educational Facilities. Either / or – do not duplicate space.
1. **Pulm Svc Residency Program Director Office, Stff Sprt (SS204) .................................................. 100 NSF (9.3 NSM)  
   a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 15

2. **Pulm Svc Intern / Fellow Workstation, Stff Sprt (SS217) .......... 48 NSF (4.5 NSM)  
   a. Provide two if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 5  
   b. Provide four if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 6 and 10  
   c. Provide six if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 11 and 15  

   Combine workstation into one room for staff and organizational efficiency.

3. **Pulm Svc Resident Conference Room, Educ Svc (SS101) ............240 NSF (22.3 NSM)  
   a. Provide one if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 1 and 7  
   b. Provide one at 300 NSF if [Exam / Treatment Rooms] is between 8 and 15  

   Allocated NSF accommodates six conference chairs @ 7.5 NSF each, two 5’-0” x 2’-0” tables at 10 NSF each, one credenza @ 8 NSF, and circulation; total six people.

I. **SEPS IMPORTER SHORTCUTS**

   The following shortcuts are used in the Room Criteria Statements in the Pulmonary Medicine Service Functional Areas. These shortcuts are used during upload of this document into the Space and Equipment Planning System (SEPS) software during implementation of the space planning parameters contained herewith to allow for mathematical or logical calculations to be performed. Input Data Statements (IDSs), Rooms or a partial calculation formula can have a shortcut.

1. *Exam / Treatment Rooms*: [Pulmonary Function Testing Laboratory, Pulm Svc (CPL01)] + [Bronchoscopy Procedure Room, Pulm Svc (CPL11)] + [Sleep Study Room, Pulm Svc (CPL21)]

2. *annual Pulmonary Function Clinic Stops (Stop Code 104) projected*: [How many annual Pulmonary Function Clinic Stops (Stop Code 104) are projected?]

3. *annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) projected*: [How many annual Pulmonary / Chest Clinic Stops (Stop Code 312) are projected?]

4. *annual Sleep Medicine Clinic Stops (Stop Code 349) projected*: [How many annual Sleep Medicine Clinic Stops (Stop Code 349) are projected?]

6 **PLANNING AND DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS**

   A. Pulmonary Medicine Service may be integrated with Non-Invasive Cardiology, Respiratory Care, Digestive Diseases – Endoscopy, or Ambulatory Surgery for patient convenience and for staff cross training opportunities.

   B. Separation of inpatient and outpatient traffic should be considered to the greatest extent possible. Provide outpatient Reception Area separate from inpatient circulation when both patient types utilize the same departmental facilities.

   C. Standardization of rooms and modular design should be considered to allow flexibility to adapt to new technologies and respond to changes in patient volumes.
D. Connection to ancillary services, such as lab and pharmacy, should be considered.

E. The waiting room should be connected to the patient entrance corridor and be under the visual control of the receptionist. This space can be shared between adjacent services where appropriate.

F. Design should accommodate patient privacy and confidentiality in all areas, and in reception and patient care areas in particular. This includes visual and auditory considerations.

G. Where possible, the department should be configured to limit the mix of patient and service functions, and to maintain clear separation of clean and dirty functions to avoid cross contamination. For example, Clean and Soiled Utility rooms can be located at alternate ends of a department.

H. Corridors should be designed to a minimum of 8 feet clear width to accommodate passage of equipment or beds and two stretchers and/or wheelchairs. In non-patient areas and outpatient clinical spaces, corridors may be a minimum of 5 feet in clear width.

I. Administration and support areas should be located and designed to maximize staff and space efficiency, and reduce staff travel distances.

J. Plan for locating high volume services closer to patient waiting or building access points to decrease patient travel time/distance and increase staff responsiveness. Services with longer duration procedure times or low volume generation can be less centrally located.

K. Sharing of patient and staff support areas among adjacent services should be considered for efficient utilization of staff. For example, centralized check-in/check-out can reduce the total number of FTE’s required to provide this function over multiple service lines.

L. During design, NSF for Staff Lounge and Lockers may be combined with an adjacent department(s).

M. Verify room sizes and equipment layouts with equipment vendors prior to finalizing room layouts.

N. Refer to Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Office of Construction and Facilities Management Technical Information Library (www.cfm.va.gov/til/) for additional technical criteria.

O. Refer to Design Guide for Pulmonary Medicine Service for a detailed discussion of functional and design considerations.
## 7 FUNCTIONAL RELATIONSHIPS

Relationship of Pulmonary Medicine Service to services listed below:

**TABLE 1: FUNCTIONAL RELATIONSHIP MATRIX**

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**Legend:**

1. High
2. Moderate
3. Minimal
8 FUNCTIONAL DIAGRAM

LEGEND

- Exam/Testing/Procedure
- Prep/Recovery/Support
- Staff and Administrative Area
- Reception Area
- Education Area

- Staff/Service
- Outpatient
- Inpatient
- Patient Entry

POSSIBLE CO-LOCATED SIMILAR SERVICE