

# Cleaning Your Nebulizer

Please follow manufacturer's recommendations for your specific nebulizer.

## Care of the Filter

- Check the filter weekly and replace per manufacturer recommendations.
- If foam filter, wash the filter weekly in warm water and let dry completely before putting back in nebulizer. Replace filter if it becomes clogged, torn, or has a worn appearance. DO NOT run aerosol compressor without the filter.

## Care of Nebulizer Kit

- After each treatment shake out any remaining medication. At the end of the day, wash the nebulizer kit in warm soapy water, rinse well, and let air-dry. Do not wash the tubing.
- Every three days soak the nebulizer parts in 1 part white vinegar and 3 parts hot water; let soak for 30 minutes, rinse and allow for air drying. If a nebulizer kit is not in use it should be stored in a clean sealable bag after it has been air-dried. It is recommended to have a spare nebulizer kit available.

**Note:** Medicare allows for (1) non-disposable nebulizer kit every 6 months or (2) disposable nebulizer kits every month.

## Safety Information

1. Never operate if the unit has a damaged cord or plug, if it is not working properly, or if it has been dropped into water.
2. Keep the cord away from heated or hot surfaces.
3. Never drop or insert any object into any opening.
4. Never use while sleeping or drowsy.
5. Never block the air openings of the unit or place it on a soft surface such as a bed or couch where the air openings may be blocked. Blocked openings may cause the unit to shut down.
6. Do not use outdoors, where aerosol sprays are being used or where oxygen is being delivered.
7. Do not lubricate the unit.
8. To reduce the risk of electrocution: Always unplug the unit after using, do not use while bathing or near water, do not store or place unit where it can fall or be pulled into water. Do not place or drop into water or other liquid.
9. To reduce the risk of burns, electrocution, fire, or injury to persons: Product should never be left unattended when plugged in, close supervision is recommended when used by or near children and physically challenged individuals, and use this product only for its intended purpose. Do not use attachments not recommended by the manufacturer.

