This protocol is for trained CIP Paramedics only. If during assessment, procedure, or treatment the patient is found to have a medical emergency in need of hospital treatment, the CIP visit will be suspended, and local MCA protocols utilized.

Purpose: To provide additional guidelines beyond the CIP General Assessment and Care for evaluating, caring for and educating patients with diagnosed sleep apnea.

Aliases: Obstructive Sleep Apnea

1. Follow CIP Patient General Assessment and Care protocol
2. Obtain additional vital signs, history, and diagnostics pertinent to condition and/or as ordered by physician which may include:
	1. Vitals/physical assessments/social assessments
		1. SpO2
		2. Weight/BMI
		3. Proper fit of mask
		4. Quality of life score utilizing test used prior to diagnosis
	2. History:
		1. Sleep habits
		2. Use of sleep aids (OTC, prescription)
		3. Alcohol and drug use both recreational and self-medicating
	3. Diagnostics:
		1. Capnography
3. On-scene medication administration may include:
	1. Use of approved MCA protocols and medications up to the extent of standard paramedic treatment according to protocol.
4. On-scene interventions may include:
	1. Adjustment of CPAP setting per referring physician’s orders
5. On-scene education and suggested support sources may include:
	1. Equipment maintenance and use