**CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE OF YOUR EQUIPMENT**

**Cleaning and Maintenance of your Nebulizer:**

After each treatment: Separate the nebulizer kit (cup, lid, and face mask) and the long connecting tube from the nebulizer. Do not rinse the long connecting tube (air hose). Wash the medicine cup, lid, and mask in warm soapy water, then rinse in clear water. Shake off excess water and allow the parts to air dry on clean towels or paper towels. Cover with a paper towel to keep dust free between treatments.

Once a week:Wash the nebulizer kit (not the air hose) in a solution of 1 part vinegar and 3 parts water. Soak the nebulizer kit (not the air hose) 30 minutes; rinse with tap water and then let air dry. When thoroughly dry the parts may be stored in an unsealed plastic bag until next use.

As necessary, wipe the outside of the compressor with a clean damp cloth.

Change or wash the air intake filter as directed by the DME provider.

**Cleaning and Maintenance of your Peak Flow Meter:**

Your Peak Flow Meter need only be cleaned once per week when being used. A good idea is to do at the end of a flare so it is clean and ready for the next time. Wash the Peak Flow Meter by moving gently through warm mild soapy water. Rinse gently and thoroughly and allow to air dry. Do not try to clean the inside with a brush. You may also clean you Peak Flow Meter by using the normal cycle of your dishwasher. Do not boil your Peak Flow Meter.

**Cleaning and Maintenance of your Spacer:**

Your spacer should be cleaned once a week, or about every 25 uses. Remove just the flexible back piece (where the inhaler is inserted). Do not remove or tamper with the valves during cleaning. Soak both parts for 15 minutes in lukewarm water with mild liquid dish soap. Agitate gently. Rinse gently in clean water. Shake out excess water. Do not rub dry. Place upright and let air-dry. Replace back piece when everything is completely dry.