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Thank you for your inquiry. Below you will find the response to your original submitted question(s).

Manufacturers IFU's (Instructions for Use) for bubble cpap devices state "always use an airway pressure monitoring device to confirm pressure settings". Does this statement make it a requirement of the NICU to incorporate a monitoring device when using bubble cpap on a neonatal patient?

The Joint Commission response:

We surveyed two manufacturer's instructions for use and evidence-based guidelines so yes you would be required to follow manufacturer's instructions for use.

I hope you will find this information helpful.

Please understand that full compliance with the intent of the standards may only be assessed during an onsite survey.

Thank you,

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