Memo

To: CVH Physicians and Central Medical Supply

From: Kenneth I. Freedman, M.D., Medical Director, Ambulatory Care and Chairman, Infection Control Committee

Date: 12/29/1999

Re: Humidifiers

Please be advised humidifiers **cannot** be used in patient areas due to their high risk of causing infections (per 1/21/99 Infection Control Committee meeting). OSHA and the CDC specifically discourage their usage.

Saline nasal spray is available from Pharmacy for those patients who have respiratory difficulties.