Management of respiratory distress for adult patients dying with COVID-19

**BEFORE** using these recommendations please clarify patient’s GOALS OF CARE
These recommendations are consistent with:
Goals of Care - Optimal comfort treatment - including care of the dying

**Is patient currently taking ≥ 30 mg morphine oral equivalent/day?**

- **NO**
  - Subcut infusion device available?
    - **YES**
      - Give stat doses of:
        - morphine 2.5-5mg + midazolam 2.5-5mg + haloperidol 1mg
        - AND
        - Start subcut infusion over 24 hours of:
          - morphine 15-30mg + midazolam 10-20mg + haloperidol 1mg
    - **NO**
      - Give subcut:
        - morphine 2.5-5mg every 4 hours + clonazepam 0.5-1mg every 24 hours + haloperidol 1mg every 24 hours

- **YES**
  - Call palliative care service for advice

**IF THERE IS AN INADEQUATE RESPONSE TO ABOVE RECOMMENDATIONS CALL FOR ASSISTANCE FROM PALLIATIVE CARE SERVICE**