# Local management – Respiratory care for CLD of prematurity at Term corrected CHECKLIST for general paediatricians and neonatologists

# Review severity of disease at 40 weeks gestation

- Ventilation requirement
- Oxygen requirement
- CO<sub>2</sub> and degree of compensation
- CXR changes
- Pulmonary pressures
- Associated comorbidities: airway, chest shape, heart, muscle strength, dysmorphism, neurology

# **Review actual requirement for technology support:**

Trial off Hiflo in low flow if FiO2<30%

Perform Oximetry half on Hiflo, half on Low Flow (suggest start at 0.5 l/min low flow oxygen)

# **Manage infection**

• Azithromycin prophylaxis

#### Manage aspiration risk with supersafe feeding

- SLT assessment
- NJ feeding [in severe disease consider empirical intervention even if no frank aspiration]

## Prednisolone (discuss with tertiary respiratoy paediatrics)

- Consider at 40 weeks gestation and rarely before
- Consider in patients with FiO2 >40 % and CO<sub>2</sub> >10 kPA
- Consider in patient with pulmonary hypertension



