

List of abbreviations

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| BMI | body mass index |
| CHF | chronic heart failure |
| CNS | clinical nurse specialist |
| COPD | chronic obstructive pulmonary disease |
| CRD | chronic respiratory disease |
| DALYs | disability-adjusted life-years |
| ED | emergency department |
| EOL | end of life |
| ESRD | end-stage renal disease |
| FEV₁ | forced expiratory volume in 1 s |
| FVC | forced vital capacity |
| GP | general practitioner |
| ICU | intensive care unit |
| ILD | interstitial lung disease |
| IPF | idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis |
| LST | life-sustaining treatment |
| MDP | Multidimensional Dyspnea Profile |
| NIV | noninvasive ventilation |
| NPPV | noninvasive positive pressure ventilation |
| NRS | numerical rating scale |
| NSCLC | nonsmall cell lung cancer |
| PEOLC | palliative and end-of-life care |
| RCT | randomised controlled trial |
| SCLC | small cell lung cancer |
| VAS | visual analogue scale |