

POSITION STATEMENT
National Board of Diving & Hyperbaric Medical Technology

In-Home Delivery of Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy

It is the position of the National Board of Diving and Hyperbaric Medical Technology that the installation and provision of in-home hyperbaric oxygen therapy is inherently unsafe and cannot be condoned. The basis for the position is concern for the well-being of such patients involved and the safety of those in proximity to the hyperbaric oxygen therapy delivery system.

In-home provision of hyperbaric oxygen therapy is likely to result in a bypassing of otherwise mandatory federal, state, and local codes as they relate to design, construction, installation, and operations aspects.

In-home provision of hyperbaric oxygen therapy is likely to occur without adequate physician oversight and the operational support of appropriately trained and certified hyperbaric technologists and nurses. The shortcomings serve to further erode important safety standards.