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I am a Pulmonologist, practicing in an office-based practice in a community setting. Since 2002, I have been doing PFTs in my office. In the past I used the Nitrogen Washout method but there was always a problem of underestimating both the TLC (hyperinflation), and RV/TLC (gas trapping) in our COPD patients. A body box was not practical given the size of our office space, mobility issues, the inability of too many patients to fit inside or tolerate testing due to claustrophobia.

I have been using the PulmOne MiniBox+ for the past year. We are now obtaining more accurate PFT results, especially for patients with COPD who have hyperinflation + gas trapping. Testing has become essential to screen patients for possible Bronchoscopic Lung Volume Reduction.

The MiniBox+ is much simpler to use, and the time required to perform a complete PFT test is much less than with the Nitrogen Washout method.

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