Chapter 16:

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

1. Identify key pathophysiologic features of COPD.
2. Describe the natural history of COPD.
3. Assess objective and subjective information to define the severity of COPD.
4. Discuss the goals of COPD management.
5. Compare and contrast the role of various pharmacotherapies used for treatment of COPD.
6. Develop a rational management plan for the COPD patient.
7. Discuss the recommended education and advice to provide to the patient with COPD.
8. Identify signs and symptoms of an exacerbation of COPD.
9. Describe key components for the appropriate management of COPD exacerbations.