## Instructions for Use



### **ExVent**®

Optional accessory for use with **O2Vent Optima**®



# Introduction

The **ExVent**® is an optional accessory that can only be used with the **O2Vent Optima**®. Your Healthcare Professional will determine



### Why might ExVent be needed?

The **ExVent** provides the airway with extra, mild "end of breath" support, also known as Expiratory Positive Airway Pressure (EPAP).

### How does it work?

The **ExVent** is inserted into the extended airway of the O2Vent Optima (not compatible with the O2Vent Optima **Mini**, as it does not have an extended airway). The **ExVent** includes a valve with air holes. This valve opens and closes as you breathe.



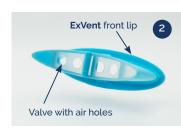
# Figure 2: ExVent – breathing out When breathing out, the valve closes, directing your breath through the air holes in the valve. This creates EPAP.

The **ExVent** offers three different levels of airway support: low, medium and high. This refers to the amount of airway pressure the **ExVent** generates. Talk to your Healthcare Professional about which strength to use when starting treatment with **ExVent**.

## Indications for use

The **ExVent** is an optional accessory to be used with the O2Vent Optima device in adult patients with mild to moderate obstructive sleep appea.

The O2Vent Optima is a removable medical device that is fitted in the patient's mouth and is intended to reduce or alleviate snoring and mild or moderate obstructive sleep apnea (OSA). The device is indicated for use during sleep to aid in the treatment of these conditions.





### **Contraindications**

The **ExVent** is an accessory for the O2Vent Optima device. Both are contraindicated for patients who:

- · have central sleep apnea
- · have a severe respiratory disorder
- have loose teeth or advanced periodontal disease or restorative needs
- are under 18 years of age.

### **About ExVent**

The ExVent valves are available in three pressure strengths to deliver airway support. These are labeled and colored:

- Low airway support (Light Blue)
- Medium airway support (Yellow)
- · High airway support (Dark Blue)

The higher the pressure strength, the more resistance you will experience when breathing out. If you find breathing out through a particular strength difficult, speak to your Healthcare Professional.



# Instructions to insert ExVent into your O2Vent Optima device

The **ExVent** must be inserted into your O2Vent Optima device before inserting into your mouth (to be worn during sleep periods).

- 1. Hold the **ExVent** between your fingers in the middle as shown.
- Ensure that the ExVent valve (that opens and closes) is lying flat against the back of the ExVent when you insert it. Refer to image bottom left of page.
- Insert the ExVent into the extended airway of your O2Vent Optima.
- 4. When correctly inserted, the retention clips will "click" into place.
- 5. Once the **ExVent** is inserted, follow the Instructions for Use for your O2Vent Optima.





Insert the **ExVent** into the extended airway of your O2Vent Optima.





Correctly inserted ExVent

<sup>&</sup>quot;On rare occasions, the part of the **ExVent** valve that opens and closes might stick, fold over or twist. Should this happen, remove the **ExVent**, check that it is dry and realign so the valve sits flat against the body of the **ExVent**. Use a new **ExVent** if necessary.

### Daily cleaning of your ExVent

After each use of your O2Vent Optima oral device, it is recommended that you:

- · Remove the device from your mouth and rinse in lukewarm water
- Remove the ExVent from the front inlet of the OzVent Optima device by gently squeezing the middle to disengage the retention clips before pulling it out, taking care not to damage the ExVent
- Thoroughly rinse the **ExVent** with lukewarm water
- Pat dry the ExVent with a clean tissue or towel (do not rub/wipe) and store in the case that is provided with the O2Vent Optima device
- Leave the ExVent to dry in a well-ventilated area.
   Do not place the ExVent into the O2Vent Optima device to dry.

For cleaning of your O2Vent Optima device, please refer to the Instructions for Use provided with your device.







### Tips for use:

- If you are finding it uncomfortable or difficult to breathe out of your ExVent, you can insert your O2Vent Optima device and ExVent into your mouth prior to your sleep period, to practice getting used to it while awake.
- 2. One exercise to help you adapt to your **ExVent** is to breathe in (WITHOUT your O2Vent Optima device in your mouth) and then slowly breathe out with your lips tightly pressed together, as if blowing a kiss.

### Additional cleaning

Separate, clean and thoroughly rinse both your O2Vent Optima device and ExVent twice a week, or more frequently as required, using an antibacterial cleanser (free from chlorine, bleach, acetic acid or alcohol-based products)



Single patient multiple use.



- Caution: Federal law restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a healthcare practitioner.
- **Healthcare Professionals** should consider the medical history of the patient, including history of asthma, breathing, or respiratory disorders, or other relevant health problems, and refer the patient to the appropriate healthcare provider before recommending the ExVent.
- · When cleaning, do not use bleach-based products or acetic acid.
- Do not put your ExVent in water warmer than 45°C or 113°F.
- Before insertion, check that your O2Vent Optima device and ExVent are not damaged and are completely dry before use. Do not use if damaged. Replace.
- · Choking hazard small parts. Keep away from children under 3 years.

### **ExVent potential side effects**

The most commonly experienced side effects may include:

- Dry mouth/throat/lips
- Nasal congestion/runny nose
- Throat or ear discomfort
- Breathing discomfort
- Headache
- · Difficulty falling asleep and staying asleep

### Warning:

- If you experience difficulties with your **ExVent** and/or O2Vent Optima, contact your prescribing Healthcare Professional.
- Follow-up testing and evaluation should be conducted to ensure treatment effectiveness.

### Replacement of ExVents

Your **ExVent** should be replaced every three months, or more frequently if your Healthcare Professional recommends it.

Your Healthcare or Dental Healthcare Professional can order Annual Resupply Packs (4 x ExVents) for you.

### **ExVent Product Codes**:

Low Airway Support - Annual Resupply Pack:	EXVL-AR
Medium Airway Support – Annual Resupply Pack:	EXVM-AR
High Airway Support – Annual Resupply Pack:	EXVH-AR
Multipack (one of each, Low, Medium and High Airway Support):	EXVMP



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