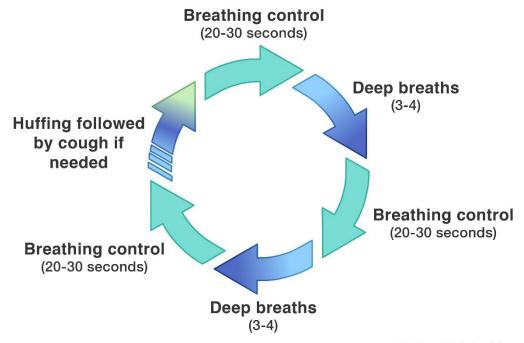
## **Active cycle of breathing (ACBT)**

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- 1. Do \_\_\_\_\_ relaxed diaphragmatic "belly" breaths. Make sure your upper chest and shoulders are relaxed.
- 2. Do three to four lateral-costal "side" breaths. Make sure the sides of your chest wall move out. Hold each breath for 3 seconds before you breathe out.
- 3. Repeat steps 1 and 2 \_\_\_\_\_ times.
- 4. Do \_\_\_\_\_ relaxed diaphragmatic "belly" breaths.
- 5. Do 3 huffs and try to cough out your secretions.
- 6. Repeat steps 1 to 5 \_\_\_\_\_ times.



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Watch this video to see someone performing active cycle of breathing (https://youtu.be/aPSBSXnDiRw).

