

01 START THIS CHART IF SEPSIS IS SUSPECTED

Factors prompting screening for sepsis include:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> NEWS2 has triggered | <input type="checkbox"/> Patient looks unwell |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carer or relative concern | <input type="checkbox"/> Evidence of organ dysfunction (e.g. lactate >2mmol/l) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recent chemotherapy/ risk of neutropenia | <input type="checkbox"/> Assessment gives clinical cause for concern |

Consider any advance directive or care planning carefully

YES

CALCULATE NEWS2 SCORE USING LATEST VITAL SIGNS

Risk assess. **Always** interpret vital signs and NEWS2 in context of patient's medications, medical history and response to treatment

02 IS NEWS2 7 OR ABOVE? OR IS NEWS2 5 OR 6 AND ONE OF:

- Any one NEWS2 parameter with score of 3
- Mottled or ashen skin
- Non-blanching rash
- Cyanosis of skin, lips or tongue
- Patient looks extremely unwell
- Patient is actively deteriorating
- Risk of neutropenia (chemotherapy, immunosuppression)

NO

03 IS NEWS2 5 OR 6? OR IS NEWS2 1-4 AND ONE OF:

- Any one NEWS2 parameter with score of 3
- Mottled or ashen skin
- Non-blanching rash
- Cyanosis of skin, lips or tongue
- Patient looks extremely unwell
- Patient is actively deteriorating
- Risk of neutropenia (chemotherapy, immunosuppression)

YES

**RED FLAG
SEPSIS
START BUNDLE**

YES

- 1 SAME DAY ASSESSMENT BY GP/ TEAM LEADER**
- 2 IS URGENT REFERRAL TO HOSPITAL REQUIRED?**
- 3 AGREE AND DOCUMENT ONGOING MANAGEMENT PLAN (INCLUDING OBSERVATION FREQUENCY AND PLANNED SECOND REVIEW)**

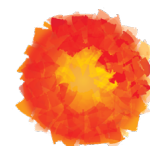
NO AMBER FLAGS OR UNLIKELY SEPSIS?: Routine care, Consider other diagnosis

RED FLAG SEPSIS BUNDLE:

THIS IS TIME-CRITICAL - IMMEDIATE ACTION REQUIRED:

DIAL 999 AND ARRANGE BLUE LIGHT TRANSFER

COMMUNICATION: Ensure communication of 'Red Flag Sepsis' to crew. Advise crew to pre-alert as 'Red Flag Sepsis'. Where possible a written handover is recommended including observations and antibiotic allergies.



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