### **SEPSIS SCREENING TOOL COMMUNITY CARE - CHILD**

**AGE < 16** 

**PATIENT DETAILS:** 

DATE:

TIME:

NAME:

**DESIGNATION:** 

**SIGNATURE:** 

01

## START IF THE CHILD IS LIKELY TO HAVE AN INFECTION, AND EITHER THEY LOOK SERIOUSLY ILL OR NPEWS HAS TRIGGERED

**ADDITIONAL FACTORS PROMPTING SCREENING FOR SEPSIS INCLUDE:** 

☐ Parent or carer concern

Known (or risk of) immunosuppression

	Age	less	than	one	year
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☐ Recent surgery/ trauma or indwelling lines



#### CALCULATE NPEWS SCORE USING LATEST VITAL SIGNS

02 IS NPEWS 9 OR ABOVE?

OR IS NPEWS BETWEEN 5 AND 8 AND THE CHILD LOOKS EXTREMELY UNWELL

e.g. unusual drowsiness, lethargy, inconsolable crying, reduced urine output, pallor/mottled skin?

NO

# 03 IS NPEWS BETWEEN 5 & 8?

OR IS THERE PERSISTING
SIGNIFICANT PARENTAL CONCERN?

YES

# RED FLAG SEPSIS START BUNDLE

#### **AMBER FLAG SEPSIS**

SAME DAY ASSESSMENT BY GP / TEAM LEADER

2 IS URGENT REFERRAL TO HOSPITAL REQUIRED?

AGREE AND DOCUMENT ONGOING MANAGEMENT PLAN (INCLUDING OBSERVATION FREQUENCY AND PLANNED SECOND REVIEW)

4 ENSURE WRITTEN SAFETY NETTING GIVEN IF REMAINING IN COMMUNITY

RED FLAG BUNDLE:
DIAL 999 AND ARRANGE BLUE LIGHT TRANSFER
IF PRESCRIBER AVAILABLE & TRANSIT TIME
>1HR GIVE ANTIBIOTICS

**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.

NO AMBER CRITERIA = ROUTINE CARE / CONSIDER OTHER DIAGNOSIS

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