

Recognition and initial management of sepsis syndromes

Use for all adult patients who are found to have a suspected infection or an EWS of four or more

Disclaimer:
This is a clinical template; clinicians should always use judgment when managing individual patients

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Patient details

Full name

DOB

Unit number

(useskider if available)

① SIRS criteria met?

Yes, because at least two of the below

- Temp >38.3°C
- Temp <36°C
- Heart rate >90/min
- Resp rate >20/min
- WCC >12
- WCC <4
- Acutely altered mental state
- Blood glucose >6.6 in absence of diabetes

No, as less than two of the above

② Infection suspected?

Consider the following

- Pneumonia or lower resp tract infection
- Urinary tract infection
- Intraoperative infection
- Biliary tract infection
- Bloodstream catheter infection
- Bone or joint infection
- Central nervous system infection
- Spinal infection
- Endocarditis
- ENT infection
- Female reproductive tract infection
- Implantable device infection
- Foreign body infection (e.g. tampon)
- Skin / soft tissue infection
- Wound infection
- Other (consider fungal infections)

Yes - the following is suspected

think neutropenic sepsis if neutrophils <1

No

③ ITU care appropriate?

No, because of the reason(s) below

Consider patient's wishes, quality of life and chronic health

Yes - if declining care, ITU team must clearly document the specific reasons in the patient's record

④ CVP line contraindicated?

Yes, because of the reason(s) below

Consider patient's wishes, quality of life and DNAR status

No

Document decisions by ticking the appropriate YES or NO box

Record required values below

SBP & MAP

Lactate

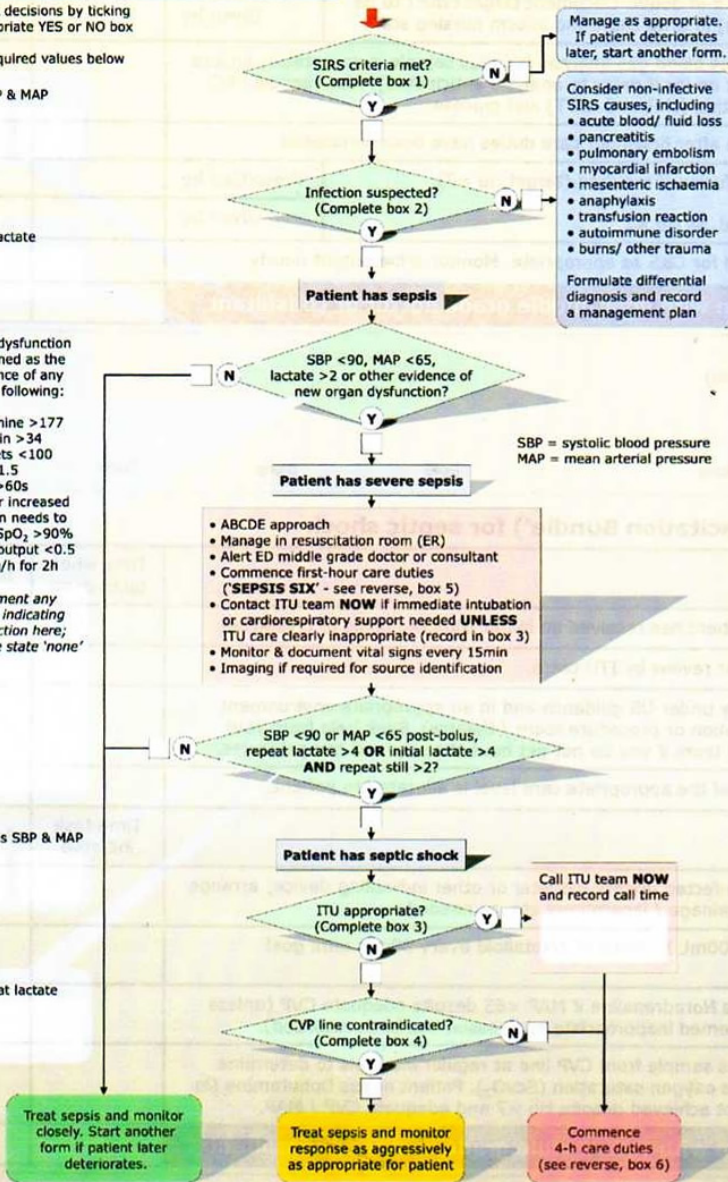
Organ dysfunction is defined as the presence of any of the following:

- Creatinine >177
- Bilirubin >34
- Platelets <100
- INR >1.5
- APTT >60s
- New or increased oxygen needs to keep SpO₂ >90%
- Urine output <0.5 mL/kg/h for 2h

document any values indicating dysfunction here; otherwise state 'none'

Post-bolus SBP & MAP

Repeat lactate



This patient was managed by

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