

AUDIT TOOL FOR THE GUIDELINE:



Infants and Children:
Initial management of fever or suspected infection in oncology and stem cell transplantation patients

Instructions for Completing the Audit:

- 1. This is a medical record audit.
- 2. The following patients can be included in the audit:

Patients aged up to and including 18yrs, presenting with fever > 38°C OR unwell OR with parental concerns who meet ANY of these criteria:

- Patients on treatment for cancer
- o Patients who ceased treatment for cancer within the last three months
- Recipients of Stem Cell Transplantation (SCT) within the last 12 months and / or on immunosuppressive therapy
- o Oncology or SCT patients with Central Venous Access Devices (CVAD) in situ.
- 3. LHDs/SHNs can decide how they make use of this audit tool. NSW Kids and Families suggest including 30% of patients over a 12 month period who meet the requirements set out in (2) above.

1.	Facility:	*Affix patient label here OR record MRN*	
2.	Ward:		
3.	Auditor's Name:		
4. (a) Date of Triage / Presentation://			
4.	4. (b) Time of Triage / Presentation (in 24hr clock):		
5.			
	☐ Clinically stable ☐ Clinically unstable		
	☐ Severe sepsis / shock ☐ Not documented		
6. If the patient was assessed as severe sepsis / shock <u>AND</u> the facility is in a rural or regional area:			
a)	Was the senior local paediatrician contacted?		
	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unclear ☐ Not documen	nted	
b)	Was NETS contacted?		
Í	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unclear ☐ Not documen	nted	



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7. List all observations documented at the initial assessment:			
a) Respiratory rate:/ min	e) Heart rate:/ min		
b) Respiratory distress:	f) Capillary refill:		
□Normal □mild □mod □severe	□<3secs □≥3secs		
c) O2 saturation: %	g) Level of consciousness (GCS):		
d) Blood pressure: mmHg	h) Any signs of cold shock (diminished pulses, prolonged capillary refill, hypotension)?		
	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not documented		
	 i) Any signs of warm shock (bounding pulses, flash – very rapid capillary refill, wide pulse pressure)? 		
	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not documented		
8. (a) Which antibiotics were prescribed (tick all that apply)? □ Gentamicin □ Piperacillin / Tazobactam □ Vancomycin			
□ Other:	☐ Not documented		
8. (b) What route was used? □ CVAD □ Peripheral □ Not documented			
9. (a) Date when administration of the first antibiotic	9. (a) Date when administration of the first antibiotic started://		
9. (b) Time when administration of the first antibiotic started (in 24hr clock):			
10. At the initial assessment, what tests were ordered (tick all that apply)?			
☐ Blood Culture	□ LFT		
□ FBC	□ BGL		
□ EUC	□ Lactate		
11. Any further comments?			