

# COULD IT BE SEPSIS?

Sepsis is a MEDICAL EMERGENCY

Adult (non-pregnant) Screen

- Has represented within 48 hours
- Looks sick
- You suspect may have sepsis
- Has a suspected infection
- Fever symptoms (or recent fever symptoms)
- Hypothermia  $<35.5^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Signs of clinical deterioration (e.g. total Q-ADDS score  $\geq 4$ )
- Reported or observed change in behaviour, new confusion

Start an Adult Sepsis Pathway NOW



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## Does your patient have ANY of the following (may have more than one)?

### Recognise

- Respiratory rate  $\geq 25$  breaths/min
- Heart rate  $\geq 130$  beats/min
- Systolic BP  $< 90$ mmHg  
(or drop  $> 40$ mmHg from normal)
- Temperature  $< 35.5^{\circ}\text{C}$  or  $\geq 38.5^{\circ}\text{C}$
- New oxygen requirement to keep oxygen saturation  $\geq 92\%$
- Not passed urine in past 12-18 hrs
- Non-blanching rash/mottled/ashen/cyanotic skin
- Recent chemotherapy
- Evidence of new/altered mental state or family concerned of mental state
- Deterioration in functional ability
- On immunosuppressant therapy
- Lactate  $\geq 2$ mmol/L

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