Recognition and Management of Sepsis - Topic Update  
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**Trust Documents**

[Sepsis Management](#) (intranet link)

**Guidelines & Toolkits**

[Surviving Sepsis Campaign: International Guidelines for Management of Sepsis and Septic Shock: 2016](#)
Rhodes A.; et al. Critical Care Medicine; Mar 2017; vol. 45 (no. 3); p. 486-552  ([login to Open Athens](#))

[Sepsis: recognition, diagnosis and early management: guidance (NG51)](#)

[Sepsis guidance implementation advice for adults](#)
NHS England (September 2017)

[Cross-system sepsis action plan 2017](#)
NHS England (September 2017)

[Bacterial Sepsis in Pregnancy (Green Top Guideline no. 64a)](#)
Royal College of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists (April 2012)

[Bacterial Sepsis Following Pregnancy (Green Top Guideline no. 64b)](#)
Royal College of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists (April 2012)

[Acute care toolkit 9: sepsis (September 2014)](#)
Royal College of Physicians

[Clinical Screening Tools](#)
The UK Sepsis Trust

[Sepsis subject guide – RCN](#)

[The UK Sepsis Trust Resources for the detection and management of deterioration in adult patients](#)
NHS Improvement, July 2016

**Journal Publications:**

[Early management of sepsis with emphasis on early goal directed therapy: AME evidence series 002](#)
Zhang Z.; Hong Y.; Smischney N.J.; Kuo H.-P.; Tsirigotis P.; Rello J.; Kuan W.S.; Jung C.; Robba C.; Taccone F.S.; Grimaldi D.; Leone M.; Spapen H.; Poucke S.V.; Simpson S.Q.; Honore P.M.; Hofer S.; Caironi P.
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Vijayan A.L.; Ravindran S.; Saikant R.; Lakshmi S.; Kartik R.; Manoj G.
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Rebeaud, Fabien
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**Sepsis guidelines and diagnostics: Current impact and future outlook.**
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**Rapid testing aids in the early diagnosis of sepsis.**
Ludvigson, David
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**New technologies for diagnosing bloodstream infection and measuring antimicrobial resistance.**
Adeyiga, Oladunni B.; Di Carlo, Dino
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Kawasaki T.
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PADILLA, CESAR; PALANISAMY, ARVIND
Clinical Obstetrics & Gynecology; Jun 2017; vol. 60 (no. 2); p. 418-424

Early, Goal-Directed Therapy for Septic Shock - A Patient-Level Meta-Analysis.
Rowan, Kathryn M.; et al
New England Journal of Medicine; Jun 2017; vol. 376 (no. 23); p. 2223-2234.

The SPEED (sepsis patient evaluation in the emergency department) score: A risk stratification and outcome prediction tool
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Identifying Patients With Sepsis on the Hospital Wards.
Author(s): Bhattacharjee, Poushali; Edelson, Dana P; Churpek, Matthew M
Source: Chest; Apr 2017; vol. 151 (no. 4); p. 898-907

Sepsis as 2 problems: Identifying sepsis at admission and predicting onset in the hospital using an electronic medical record-based acuity score
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Source: Journal of Critical Care; Apr 2017; vol. 38 ; p. 237-244

Impact of implementation of the National Early Warning Score on patients and staff.
Farenden, Scott; Gamble, David; Welch, John
British journal of hospital medicine (London, England : 2005); Mar 2017; vol. 78 (no. 3); p. 132-136

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Surviving Sepsis Guidelines: A Continuous Move Toward Better Care of Patients With Sepsis.

Author(s): De Backer, Daniel; Dorman, Todd

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New and Updated Cochrane Reviews

Molecular assays for the diagnosis of sepsis in neonates
Mohan Pammi, Angela Flores, James Versalovic and Mariska MG Leeflang
February 2017

Effectiveness and safety of procalcitonin evaluation for reducing mortality in adults with sepsis, severe sepsis or septic shock
Brenda NG Andriolo, Regis B Andriolo, Reinaldo Salomão and Álvaro N Atallah
January 2017

High-volume haemofiltration for sepsis in adults
Emma MJ Borthwick, Christopher J Hill, Kannaian S Rabindranath, Alexander P Maxwell, Danny F McAuley and Bronagh Blackwood
January 2017

NIHR Signals

NIHR Signal: An emergency department protocol to restore circulation doesn’t improve outcomes in septic shock
July 2017

NIHR Signal: A focus on treating fever does not improve survival in sepsis
National Institute for Health Research
June 2017.

NIHR Signal: Giving immediate antibiotics reduces deaths from sepsis
April 2017

Reports & Resources
Royal College of Emergency Medicine
May 2017

Reducing the impact of serious infections CQUIN  (NHS Improvement
resources to support delivery of the ‘Reducing the impact of serious infections
antimicrobial resistance and sepsis’ CQUIN, parts 2c and 2d.)
March 2017

E-Learning and Training
Think Sepsis e-Learning for Healthcare, 2016 – sign in with your OpenAthens account

Online Sepsis Game
This online Sepsis Game (FREE) helps health professionals learn how to spot and treat sepsis quickly and effectively.

Selected Library Books & Chapters

Print Books
Ward-Based Critical Care: A Guide for Health Professionals
chapter- sepsis

Nursing the acutely ill adult: priorities in assessment and management
chapter- Understanding Sepsis

Caring for the seriously ill patient
chapter- Infection control and sepsis

eBooks

Critical Care : Just the Facts – eBook (use Open Athens)
Chapter:
• Sepsis, Severe Sepsis, and Septic Shock
• Early Goal-Directed Therapy for Sepsis
• An Approach to Sepsis of Unknown Etiology

Evidence-based emergency medicine – eBook (use Open Athens)
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• Severe Sepsis and Septic Shock

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Chapter:
  • Sepsis and multiple organ failure

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