



Electronic Health Record

Sepsis Module FAQs

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Thank you and congratulations for successfully completing the **Sepsis Module** simulation! As organizations prepare for the June 15, 2020 Go Live, a list of common questions has been compiled as an additional resource.

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Frequently Asked Questions

Why was the alert triggered?

- The Sepsis Module follows the St. John's Sepsis parameters.

Why wasn't the alert triggered?

- There are several reasons the alert may not have been triggered:
 - The patient is under 18 years old.
 - The encounter type is not Inpatient, Outpatient Occupying a Bed, Observation or Emergency.
 - A specific PowerPlan has been documented that will suppress the alert for an identified time frame.

Systemic Inflammatory Response Syndrome (SIRS) Criteria:
 Three (3) SIRS criteria met and no organ dysfunction. SIRS Criteria:
 Temp > 101F (38.3C) or < 96.8F (36C), HR > 90 BPM, RR > 20
 BRPM, WBC > 12,000/mcl. or < 4,000/mcl., Bandemia > 10%.

Sepsis Criteria: 2 or more SIRS criteria met + Suspected/known infection.

Severe Sepsis Criteria: 2 or more SIRS criteria met + Suspected/known infection + 1 or more variable of organ dysfunction. Organ dysfunction variables included in alerting algorithm: Lactate > 2 mmol/L, SBP < 90 mmHg, MAP < 65 mmHg, Cr > 2.0 AND decrease of at least .5 mg/dL in.

Septic Shock Criteria: 2 or more SIRS criteria met + Suspected/known infection + at least 1 Septic Shock criteria met: Lactate > / = 4.0 mmol/dL, MAP < 65 mmHg or SBP < 90 mmHg x 2 readings within 55 and 120 minutes of the initial reading.

Will the Sepsis Power Plan remain active?

- The Sepsis Power Plan will be available until June 22, 2020. Use of the PowerPlan will be tracked and Support Staff will connect with providers to assist with the transition to the Sepsis Module.

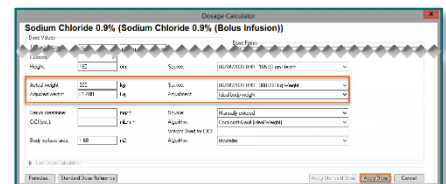
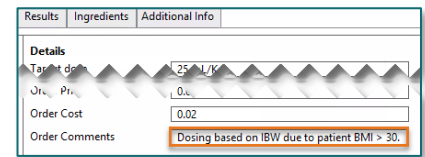
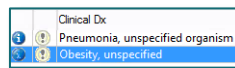
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- When providers select the IBW fluid option, the order sentence will include necessary documentation regarding the use of IBW.
- A dosing calculator will appear, and the Adjustment section will need to be changed to Ideal Body Weight and Apply Dose.
- The third requirement is to have an Obesity-related diagnosis on the problem list.



Known Issues & Updates

Order Confirmation

- The Sepsis Module does not have an option for planning orders. Upon starting the module, providers will need to complete the ordering process or can exit if interrupted. Exiting the module without confirming the orders will result in a loss of what the provider has selected.

Important Reminders

Adding Orders to the Module

- Providers can right click on **Sepsis Management** in the Order Profile and select **Cancel/Reorder**. This will re-launch the module. Providers will need to select the Suspected Infection Source and previously selected orders will be seen. The additional orders can be selected and confirmed.
 - It is not required to place additional orders using the module. They can be entered as single item orders.

Inpatient and Emergency Nurses will receive the Discern Notification on all alerts

- This pop up will be seen each time the chart is opened until it is manually cleared.
 - Highlight the alert and click the red X in the top left of the screen.
 - Click [this link](#) to view nursing resources.

Early Warning Alerts Flowsheet

- Reviewing this option in Results Review will provide information regarding the type of alert generated, the criteria met for the alert, the provider notified by the nurse and the response to the notification.

Sepsis Worklist

- This tool is beneficial for tracking Sepsis Bundle Compliance. Click [this link](#) to view that flyer.

For questions during go-live support, please reach out to a Super User or a member of the Support team. Questions can also be called to the Project Command Center at:
973-7728 or 1-888-827-7728 (Option 4).