

# APPENDIX E: SEVERE SEPSIS TRIAGE SCREENING TOOL



Greater New York Hospital Association/United Hospital Fund Quality Initiatives

## STOP SEPSIS COLLABORATIVE

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Does the patient have any three of the following?

- SUSPECTED INFECTION
  - TEMPERATURE > 100.4 OR < 96.5 OR RIGORS
  - HEART RATE > 90/min.
  - RESPIRATORY RATE > 20/min.
  - ANY ALTERATION OF MENTAL STATUS
  - O2 SATURATION < 90%
  - SYSTOLIC BLOOD PRESSURE < 90 mmHg
  - SUSPECTED/KNOWN IMMUNOCOMPROMISE (AIDS/ACTIVE CANCER/ORGAN TRANSPLANT PATIENT)
- YES    NO

If Yes clicked: *Go to Nursing Sepsis Panel Orders.*

Triage Sepsis Panel Orders (all boxes should be checked by default)

- NOTIFY CLINICIAN TO INITIATE VERBAL ORDER FOR SEPSIS PANEL
- COMPLETE BLOOD COUNT (CBC)
- METABOLIC PANEL
- LACTATE (VENOUS OR ARTERIAL)
- DRAW AND HOLD PT/PTT
- DRAW AND HOLD BLOOD CULTURES
- RECORD VITAL SIGNS Q1 HOUR PLUS TEMPERATURE

Is the patient's SBP < 90 or MAP < 65

- YES    NO

If Yes clicked: *Present case to physician.*

If patient meets criteria, but you feel the patient doesn't need lab testing, please speak to attending.