





PAEDIATRICS

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Ward

Consultant

Paediatric Observation Chart

1-4 Years

Escalation Guide

PEWS does not replace an emergency call			
Score	Minimum Observations	Minimum Alert	Minimum Response
1	4 hourly	Nurse in Charge	Any trigger should prompt increase in observation frequency as clinically appropriate
2	2 - 4 hourly		
3*	1 hourly	Nurse in Charge + Doctor on call	Nurse in Charge review
4-5	30 minutes		Urgent medical review
6	Continuous	Nurse in Charge + Doctor on call + Senior Doctor + Consultant	Urgent SENIOR medical review
≥7	Continuous	URGENT PEWS CALL	Immediate local response team
* Pink score in any parameter merits review			
PEWS does not replace clinical concern			

ISBAR

Communication Tool

Identify

Situation

Background

Assessment

Recommendation

Medical Escalation Suspension

Date / Time	Suspension Conditions	Next Medical Review	Doctor Signature/Print name /MCRN
Start Date: Start Time: End Date: End Time:			
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Recognition

2 or more of the following

- Core temperature <36°C or >38.5°C
- Inappropriate tachypnoea
- Inappropriate tachycardia
- Reduced peripheral perfusion
- Altered mental status
- Consider co-morbidities

Suspected or proven sepsis

TAKE 3

<60 Mins.

- IV or IO access and take blood samples
- Urine output measurement
- Early SENIOR input

Within 60 minutes

GIVE 3

<60 Mins.

- High flow oxygen
- IV/IO fluids & consider early inotropic support
- Broad spectrum IV/IO antimicrobials

Event Record for PEWS score ≥6				
Date	Time	PEWS	Nurse Initials & NMBI	Alert

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Assessment of Respiratory Effort			
	Mild	Moderate	Severe
Airway	• Stridor on exertion/crying	• Mild stridor at rest	• Stridor at rest
Behaviour and feeding	• Normal • Talks in sentences	• Some/intermittent irritability • Difficultly talking/crying • Difficultly feeding or eating	• Increased irritability and/or lethargy • Looks exhausted • Unable to talk or cry • Unable to feed or eat
Respiratory rate	• Mildly increased	• Respiratory rate in blue zone	• Respiratory rate in pink zone • Increased or markedly reduced respiratory rate as the child tires
Accessory muscle use	• Mild intercostal and suprasternal recession	• Moderate intercostal and suprasternal recession • Nasal flaring	• Marked intercostal, suprasternal and sternal recession
Oxygen	• No oxygen requirement	• Mild hypoxemia corrected by oxygen • Increasing oxygen requirement	• Hypoxemia may not be corrected by oxygen
Other			• Gasping, grunting • Extreme pallor, cyanosis • Apnoea



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PEWS Score Key

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2

3



Patient Safety **First**
Working together for quality services

Chart Date

DD/MM/YY

Parameter Amendment For Chronic Conditions					Date / Time	Clinical Parameters	New Acceptable Range	Next Medical Review	Doctor Signature/Print name /MCRN
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Core Parameters

Year

Date

Frequency of observations

Time

Clinician / Family Concern

Concern Score

AB

AIRWAY & BREATHING

Respiratory Rate
(breaths per minute)

Assess for 60 seconds

RR Number

RR Score

Severe

Moderate

Mild

Normal

Mode of O₂ delivery

Mode

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O₂ T Score

SpO₂ (%)

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HR scores 1 or more consider central CRT and BP and refer to Sepsis 6 Protocol

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HR Score

Central Capillary Refill Time (seconds)

CRT Score

Blood Pressure (mmHg)

Score systolic BP

Cuff Size:

BP Number

BP Score

Skin Colour

D

DISABILITY

Score '-', if not assessed and put a vertical line through column

AVPU

AVPU Score

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Notify doctor if urine output is <1mL/Kg/hr

Temperature (°C)

Record as graph

Total PEWS score

Reassess within (Mins.)

Pain Score

Pain scale in use (✓):

FLACC

Faces

Numeric

Nurse/NMBI

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