

BC PEWS Escalation Aid for Inpatient and Emergency Department Settings

Always use clinical judgement in conjunction with the Escalation Aid

		0 – 1	2	3 * For a score of “3” in any one category consider higher escalation	4 &/or score increases by 2 after interventions	5 – 13 or score of “3” in one category
		PEDIATRIC EARLY WARNING SYSTEM SCORE	Notify		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider reviewing patient with a more experienced healthcare provider 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As per PEWS Score 2
Plan					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MRP or delegate communicate a plan of care to mitigate contributing factors of deterioration Communicate plan of care to the patient and/or family 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As per PEWS Score 4
Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue assessment, monitoring and documentation as per orders & routine protocols 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As per PEWS Score 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase frequency of assessments & documentation as per plan from consultation with more experienced healthcare provider 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase frequency of assessments & documentation as per plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As per PEWS Score 4
Resources				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Escalate if further consultation required or if resources do not allow for safe monitoring and care 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reassess adequacy of resources and make changes as needed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RN to patient ratio Location: ensure appropriate level of skill, equipment, medication and resources available. Consider internal or external consult or transfer to higher level of care 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As per PEWS Score 4
SITUATIONAL AWARENESS	<p>If patient is assessed with one or more of the following situational awareness factors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Parent concern <input type="checkbox"/> Watcher patient <input type="checkbox"/> Unusual therapy <input type="checkbox"/> Breakdown in communication <div style="text-align: center;"> </div> <p style="text-align: center;">Follow PEWS Score 2 actions</p>					