

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