

Provincial Pediatric Early Warning System (PEWS) Escalation Aid

PEDIATRIC EARLY WARNING SYSTEM SCORE		0 – 1	2	3	4 &/or score increases by 2 after interventions	5 – 13 or score of “3” in one category
	Notify		- Review patient with a more experienced healthcare provider - Escalate if deemed further consultation required OR resources do not allow to meet care needs	As per PEWS Score 2	- As per PEWS Score 2 AND notify most responsible physician (MRP) or delegate - Consider pediatrician consult if patient deteriorates further	- As per PEWS Score 4 AND MRP to assess patient immediately (& pediatrician if available) - If MRP unable to attend, call for STAT physician review as per MRP’s direction - Appropriate “senior” review
	Plan				MRP or delegate communicate a plan of care to mitigate contributing factors of deterioration	As per PEWS Score 4
	Assessment	Continue monitoring & documentation as per orders & routine protocols	As per PEWS Score 1	Increase frequency of assessments & documentation as per plan from consultation with more experienced healthcare provider	Increase frequency of assessments & document as per plan	As per PEWS Score 4
	Resources				- Reassess adequacy of resources available and escalate to meet deficits - Consider internal or external transfer to higher level of care	- Increased nursing (1:1) care with increasing interventions as per plan - Reassess care location – consider internal or external transfer to higher level of care
SITUATIONAL AWARENESS	If patient is assessed with one or more of the following situational awareness factors: ☐ Parent concern ☐ Watcher patient ☐ Unusual therapy ☐ Breakdown in communication  Follow PEWS Score 2 actions					