

SEPSIS PRACTICE ALERT

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RN or MD Documentation?

Important CMS/TJC updates to sepsis guidelines

- MD must document delays in bundle treatment within 6 hours of TOP (time of presentation)
- MD must document "Patient is NOT septic" if symptoms are not related to sepsis
- RN may document patient refusal of specific treatment (ex. Refused blood draw <u>for lactate</u>, <u>for cultures</u>, etc.)

Suspect Sepsis. Save Lives.

