

National Early Warning Score (NEWS)

Physiological Parameters	Score						
	3	2	1	0	1	2	3
Respiration Rate	≤8		9 – 11	12 – 20		21 – 24	≥25.0
Oxygen Saturations	≤91	92 – 93	94 – 95	≥96			
Any Supplemental Oxygen		Yes		No			
Temperature	≤35		35.1 – 36.0	36.1 – 38.0	38.1 – 39.0	≥ 39.1	
Systolic Blood Pressure	≤90	91 – 100	101 – 110	111 – 219			≥220
Heart Rate	≤40		41 – 50	51 – 90	91 – 110	111 – 130	≥131
Level of Consciousness				A			V, P, or U

NEWS	Clinical Risk	Response
Aggregate score 0-4	Low	Ward-based response
Red score: Score of 3 in any individual parameter	Low-medium	Urgent ward-based response
Aggregate score 5-6	Medium	Key threshold for urgent response
Aggregate score 7 or more	High	Urgent or emergency response

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