

# Sepsis Care Bundle

Each month NHS trusts monitor their performance in the delivery of care bundles, and report it nationally to NHS England. Using this data, NHS England are able to monitor the standard of care delivered to sepsis patients. NHS England has developed a sepsis care bundle, which specifically outlines key components that provide the best evidence-based care for this particular patient group, and must be undertaken for each patient who is showing signs of sepsis.

Component of care bundle	Exceptions
Observations assessed: level of consciousness, blood pressure, oxygen saturations and respiratory rate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Patient refusal (blood pressure and oxygen saturations only)</li><li>● Unable to record measurement due to patient condition</li></ul>
Hospital pre-alert recorded	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Patient refused hospital conveyance (considering their capacity to make that decision)</li><li>● Existing care plan/treatment escalation plan already in place</li><li>● Pre-alert attempted but not accepted by receiving facility - <b>document refusal</b></li></ul>
Oxygen administered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Patient refusal</li><li>● Not clinically indicated (oxygen saturations 94-98% - 88-92% if COPD)</li></ul>
Administration of IV fluids	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Patient refusal</li><li>● Unable to gain IV access</li><li>● Not clinically indicated (clear reasons must be documented)</li></ul>