

NEWS key		FULL NAME													
0	1	2	3	DATE OF BIRTH						DATE OF ADMISSION					
	DATE													DATE	
	TIME													TIME	
<b>A+B</b> Respirations Breaths/min	≥25													≥25	
	21-24													21-24	
	18-20													18-20	
	15-17													15-17	
	12-14													12-14	
	9-11													9-11	
	≤8													≤8	
<b>A+B</b> SpO <sub>2</sub> Scale 1 Oxygen saturation (%)	≥96													≥96	
	94-95													94-95	
	92-93													92-93	
	≤91													≤91	
<b>SpO<sub>2</sub> Scale 2<sup>†</sup></b> Oxygen saturation (%) Use Scale 2 if target range is 88-92%, eg in hypercapnic respiratory failure  <b>†ONLY use Scale 2 under the direction of a qualified clinician</b>	≥97 on O <sub>2</sub>													≥97 on O <sub>2</sub>	
	95-96 on O <sub>2</sub>													95-96 on O <sub>2</sub>	
	93-94 on O <sub>2</sub>													93-94 on O <sub>2</sub>	
	≥93 on air													≥93 on air	
	88-92													88-92	
	86-87													86-87	
	84-85													84-85	
≤83%													≤83%		
<b>Air or oxygen?</b>	A=Air													A=Air	
	O <sub>2</sub> L/min													O <sub>2</sub> L/min	
	Device													Device	
<b>C</b> Blood pressure mmHg Score uses systolic BP only	≥220													≥220	
	201-219													201-219	
	181-200													181-200	
	161-180													161-180	
	141-160													141-160	
	121-140													121-140	
	111-120													111-120	
	101-110													101-110	
	91-100													91-100	
	81-90													81-90	
	71-80													71-80	
	61-70													61-70	
	51-60													51-60	
≤50													≤50		
<b>C</b> Pulse Beats/min	≥131													≥131	
	121-130													121-130	
	111-120													111-120	
	101-110													101-110	
	91-100													91-100	
	81-90													81-90	
	71-80													71-80	
	61-70													61-70	
	51-60													51-60	
	41-50													41-50	
	31-40													31-40	
	≤30													≤30	
	<b>D</b> Consciousness Score for NEW onset of confusion (no score if chronic)	Alert													Alert
Confusion														Confusion	
V														V	
P														P	
U														U	
<b>E</b> Temperature °C	≥39.1°													≥39.1°	
	38.1-39.0°													38.1-39.0°	
	37.1-38.0°													37.1-38.0°	
	36.1-37.0°													36.1-37.0°	
	35.1-36.0°													35.1-36.0°	
≤35.0°													≤35.0°		
<b>NEWS TOTAL</b>														<b>TOTAL</b>	
Monitoring frequency														Monitoring	
Escalation of care Y/N														Escalation	
Initials														Initials	

**Chart 4: Clinical response to the NEWS trigger thresholds**

NEWS score	Frequency of monitoring	Clinical response
0	Minimum 12 hourly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue routine NEWS monitoring</li> </ul>
<b>Total 1–4</b>	Minimum 4–6 hourly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inform registered nurse, who must assess the patient</li> <li>Registered nurse decides whether increased frequency of monitoring and/or escalation of care is required</li> </ul>
<b>3 in single parameter</b>	Minimum 1 hourly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registered nurse to inform medical team caring for the patient, who will review and decide whether escalation of care is necessary</li> </ul>
<b>Total 5 or more Urgent response threshold</b>	Minimum 1 hourly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registered nurse to immediately inform the medical team caring for the patient</li> <li>Registered nurse to request urgent assessment by a clinician or team with core competencies in the care of acutely ill patients</li> <li>Provide clinical care in an environment with monitoring facilities</li> </ul>
<b>Total 7 or more Emergency response threshold</b>	Continuous monitoring of vital signs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registered nurse to immediately inform the medical team caring for the patient – this should be at least at specialist registrar level</li> <li>Emergency assessment by a team with critical care competencies, including practitioner(s) with advanced airway management skills</li> <li>Consider transfer of care to a level 2 or 3 clinical care facility, ie higher-dependency unit or ICU</li> <li>Clinical care in an environment with monitoring facilities</li> </ul>