

NICU-Code Sepsis

Inclusion Criteria:

All infants with new sepsis workup orders.

Exclusion Criteria:

New admits (Unless nurse needs help)

Process:

- Provider CALLS bedside nurse as new sepsis workup orders are being placed.
- RN sends out Code Sepsis alert/broadcast from iMobile (goes to Advanced/ Intermediate staff, NICU Code team, Pharmacy, PICC team)

Expected Response:

1. Staff member (Charge/ L&D nurse/ PICC team) who is skilled in IV placement comes to the bedside.
2. Other nurses in the unit offer help to assist the nurse with other tasks.
3. Pharmacy prioritizes on the New Antibiotic order.
4. Pharmacy calls secretary when medications are being tubed
5. Secretary delivers the medication to the bedside
6. Nurse takes responsibility:
 - a. To make sure Antibiotics are administered within one hour
 - b. Notify LIP if there is a specific concern that may delay the medication.
 - c. Document the reason in Meditech if the antibiotic is delayed beyond an hour.

Expected Outcome:

****Antibiotics are administered within ONE HOUR of order****