

# Seeing Sepsis

Early Detection Saves Lives



#### Suspected infection and 2 or more SIRS criteria:

#### **Suspected Infection**

- Fever/chills
- Currently on antibiotics
- Cough/SOB
- Cellulitis/wound drainage
- Weakness

#### SIRS Criteria

- Temp ≥100.0 or ≤96.8
- Pulse ≥100
- BP < 100 or > 40 mmHg from baseline
- Resp. rate >20/SpO2 <90%
- Altered mental status

SIRS = Systemic Inflammatory Response Syndrome



#### Positive screen for sepsis

- Educate resident/family about status
- Review Advance Directives and options



### Notify provider



#### Stay in facility

If Advance Directives and/or resident's wishes are in agreement, consider some or all of following order options:

- Labs per physician order
- Establish IV access
- Comfort care



## Transfer

- Prepare resident for transfer
- Prepare transfer sheet
- Call ambulance
- Call report to hospital
- Report positive sepsis screen
- Notify family/responsible party

#### Comfort care

- Pain control
- Offer fluids every 2 hrs
- Analgesic for fever
- Keep family informed
- Reposition every 2-3 hrs Adjust care plan as
- Oral care every 2 hrs
- needed