

Sepsis Orders

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DATE: _____ TIME: _____ PRESCRIBER ORDERS

9. MEDICATIONS: Antibiotic Therapy cont:
Skin / Soft Tissue Infection: Cellulitis/Lymphangitis:

- Cefazolin (Ancef) 1 gram IV every 8 hours
 OR
 Vancomycin 1 gram IV every 12 hours [for severe penicillin allergy or any cephalosporin allergy]
Complicated with Abscess /Diabetic foot infection with ulceration OR history of MRSA:
 Vancomycin 1 gram IV every 12 hours + Piperacillin/tazobactam (Zosyn) 4.5 grams IV every 6 hours
 OR
 Vancomycin 1 gram IV every 12 hours + aztreonam (Azactam) 1 gram IV every 8 hours+ metronidazole (Flagyl) 500 mg IV every 8 hours [for severe penicillin allergy or any cephalosporin allergy]

Intra-abdominal Infection:

- Piperacillin /tazobactam (Zosyn) 4.5 grams IV every 6 hours
 OR
 Cefepime (Maxipime) 2 grams IV every 12 hours + metronidazole (Flagyl) 500 mg IV every 8 hours

If recent surgery/suspected wound infection also add:

- Vancomycin 1 gram IV every 12 hours
If C. difficile suspected:
 Metronidazole (Flagyl) 500 mg IV every 6 hours
 AND/OR
 Vancomycin 125 mg PO/NG every 6 hours

IV Access Infection (vascular device/prosthetic material)/ Unknown source of infection:

- Vancomycin 1 gram IV every 12 hours + cefepime (Maxipime) 2 grams IV every 12 hours
 OR
 Vancomycin 1 gram IV every 12 hours + aztreonam (Azactam) 1 gram IV every 8 hours [for severe penicillin allergy or any cephalosporin allergy]

11. OTHER MEDICATIONS: (See additional order sheet if necessary)

Stress Ulcer Prophylaxis:

- Pantoprazole (Protonix) 40 mg IV every 24 hours
 Famotidine (Pepcid) 20 mg IV every 12 hours

12. VASOPRESSORS: [Goal – SYSTOLIC BP GREATER THAN 90]

- Norepinephrine (Levophed) 8 mg / 250 mL NS start at 0.1 mcg/kg/min and titrate to goal systolic BP
 Dopamine 800 mg / 250 mL D5W start at 10 mcg/kg/min and titrate to goal systolic BP
 Phenylephrine (Neosynephrine) 40 mg / 250 mL NS [for patients with sustained significant tachycardia HR greater than 130 on norepinephrine or dopamine] start at 1 mcg/kg/min and titrate to goal systolic BP

INOTROPIC THERAPY:

- Dobutamine 500 mg/250 mL D5W IV start at 2.5 mcg/kg/min titrate to mixed venous oxygenation saturation over 70%

13. VTE Precautions:

- Sequential compression device until ambulatory
 Heparin 5,000 units subcutaneously every 8 hours
 Heparin 5,000 units subcutaneously every 12 hours
 Enoxaparin (Lovenox) 40 mg subcutaneously daily
 No VTE Prophylaxis (REASON) Not a Candidate Contraindicated Other _____

- 14. Referrals:** Care Management/Social Work Physical/Occupational therapy Other _____

Prescriber Signature: _____