

Modified Early Warning Score Criteria and Response

MEWS Score	3	2	1	0	1	2	3
Heart Rate		<40	≤50	≤100	≤110	≤129	>129
Systolic Bld Pressure	<70	≤80	≤100	≤199		>200	
Respiratory Rate		<8		≤14	≤20	≤30	≥30
Temperature		<35.0	≤36	≤38	>38	>38.6	
Urine Output	<10mL	<30mL	<45mL				
				1			
LOC Score			New Agitation/Confusion	Alert	Responds to Verbal	Responds to Pain	Unresponsive

O2 Saturation < 90% : Not part of scoring mechanism but can display

Remember to always CALL EARLY – CALL OFTEN

Score Range	FREQUENCY OF MONITORING	CLINICAL RESPONSE
0-4	Minimum 12 hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to monitor and review MEWS every 12 hours
Total: 5-6	Minimum of 4 hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider notifying physician of MEWS score Notify charge nurse Consider placing a consult to Rapid Response Nurses Increase MEWS assessment every 4 hours with increased frequency in assessments
Total: 7+	Minimum of 2 hours or per patient acuity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider calling Physician with current assessment data Consider calling a Rapid Response Call RRT Consult nurse Consider transferring to step-down or ICU