

## What does sepsis look like in a *school-aged child*?

- **S**-Skin cold or clammy
- **E**-Eating poorly
- **P**-Peeing stops
- **S**-Skin blue or looks different
- **I**-Infection or redness/Increased thirst
- **S**-Shortness of breath/Seeming confused
- **!-You may also see:**
  - Convulsions
  - Complaints of lightheadedness
  - Heart beating quickly

## How and Who do I contact if I am concerned that my child has sepsis?

- Go to UNC Hospital's pediatric emergency department or the nearest emergency department and say, "**I am concerned my child has sepsis.**"

### AND/OR

- **Call (984) 974-1000** and ask to speak with your child's doctor or nurse at:  
**UNC Medical Center**  
101 Manning Drive  
Chapel Hill, NC  
27514

# SEPSIS

**You are the first to know...**



**So, let us know!**

## What is sepsis?

- An **infection of the blood** that can be caused by many different sources
- When fighting the infection, the body's response can overreact, acting against its own parts
- Sepsis puts your child at risk for death

## Why is my child at risk?

- Due to your child's diagnosis and their medicine, they have a harder time fighting infection
- This means that they are more at risk for getting sepsis

## What does sepsis look like in the *first month of a baby's life?*

- **S**-Skin cold or clammy
- **E**-Eating poorly, may have continuous vomiting
- **P**-Peeing stops or making fewer wet diapers
- **S**-Skin blue or looks different
- **I**-Infection or redness
- **S**-Sleepier than normal
- **!-You may also see:**
  - Convulsions

## What does sepsis look like in a *child under age 5?*

- **S**-Skin cold or clammy
- **E**-Eating poorly
- **P**-Peeing stops
- **S**-Skin blue or looks different
- **I**-Infection or redness
- **S**-Sleepier than normal
- **!-You may also see:**
  - Convulsions

**Do you have questions or concerns about sepsis?**

**Contact your child's doctor today!**



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