Why is sepsis important?
Sepsis is a top hospital killer

Each minute without diagnosis and treatment reduces survival

How can you quickly recognize sepsis?

Quick Sepsis-related Organ Failure Assessment

qSOFA

The Third International Consensus Definitions for Sepsis recommends qSOFA as a simple prompt to identify infected patients who are likely to be septic outside the ICU

How can you measure qSOFA?

Three criteria

Altered mental status
Fast respiratory rate
Low blood pressure

2 or more criteria suggests a greater risk of a poor outcome

Why is qSOFA useful?

While only 1 in 4 infected patients have 2+ qSOFA points, they account for 3 out of 4 deaths

Where did qSOFA come from?

More than 800,000 electronic health record encounters at 177 hospitals worldwide, including community and academic, rural, suburban, and urban, public, private, and federal hospitals.

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Source: Seymour et al., Assessment of clinical criteria for sepsis. JAMA; 2016