



Central Cheshire
Integrated Care Partnership

Identifying the Unwell Child in Community Settings

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Who are we?

- Central Cheshire Integrated Care Partnership (CCICP) brings together three organisations that aim to transform, develop and deliver community health care services that are focussed on delivering high quality, safe care in the right place at the right time.
- CCICP is a unique collaboration between Mid Cheshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (MCHFT), Cheshire and Wirral Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (CWP), and the South Cheshire and Vale Royal GP Alliance, which covers 29 local GP practices.
- Recently developed into 5 care communities and Paediatrics Specialist services.

Who are we?



Why was this a target area?

- Increasing prevalence of Sepsis within paediatric patients – aim to increase staff awareness
- The patient safety alert (NHS/PSA/R/2014/015) identifies the need for a paediatric screening and action tool to ensure possible sepsis is identified early. Following the NICE Guidance NG51 ‘Sepsis: recognition, diagnosis and early management’, the sepsis trust developed tool kits for identifying and treating sepsis in children and adults.
- Not previously in place for CCICP staff

The importance of staff awareness

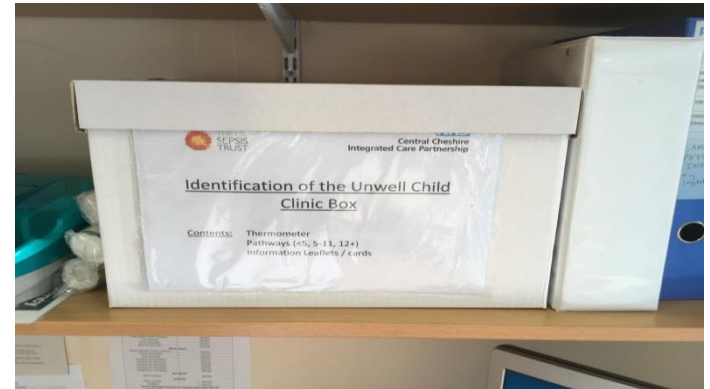
- Sepsis is a time-critical medical emergency, which can occur as part of the body's response to infection. The resulting inflammatory response adversely affects tissues and organs. Unless treated quickly, sepsis can progress to severe sepsis, multi-organ failure, septic shock and ultimately death. However sepsis can be easily treated through timely intervention and basic, cost-effective therapies.
- Mortality rate for sepsis in children is estimated to be 10 – 15%.

Development of Standard Operating Procedure (SOP)

- Developed jointly by Sepsis lead within CCICP, our APNP and Paeds Service Manager
- UK Sepsis Trust guidance – 3 pathways
- CCICP invested > £10,000 in purchasing thermometers for all community based paediatric staff to enable screening process
- Training rolled out to all paediatric staff within community settings in regards to the following the pathways, and operating thermometers

Development of our SOP

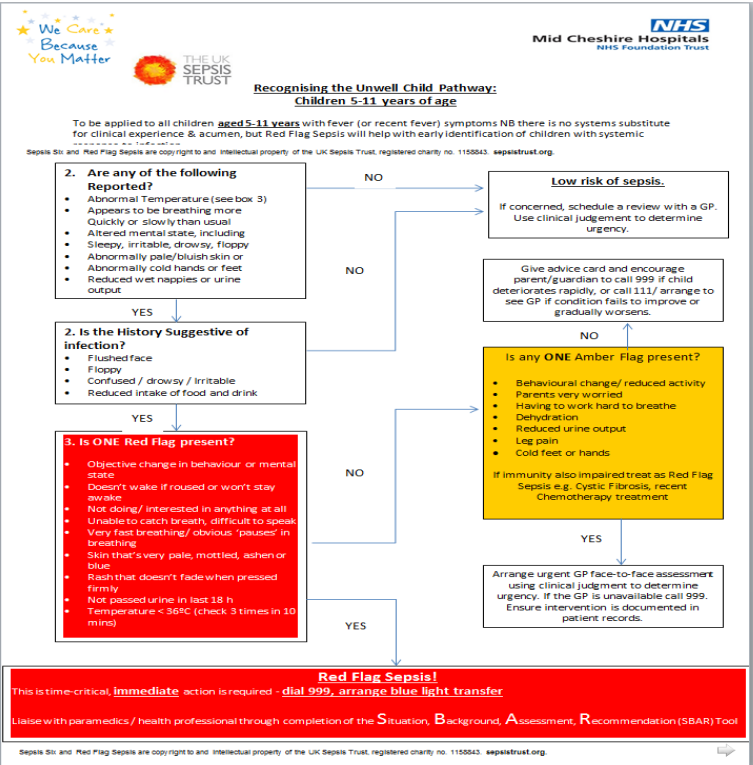
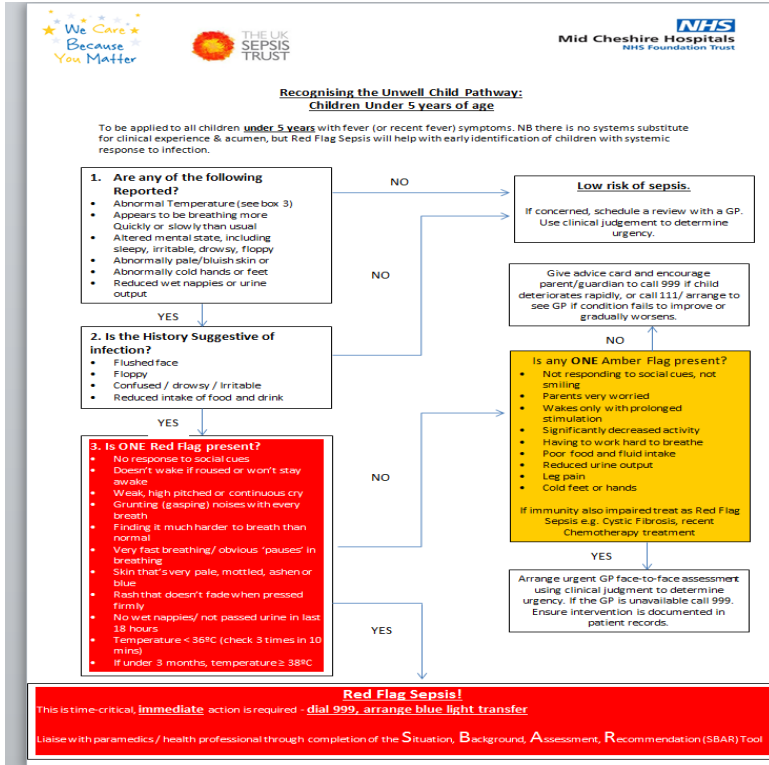
- ‘Identifying the unwell child clinic boxes’ produced and stationed in clinics across CCICP footprint
- Patient information cards to hand out as required

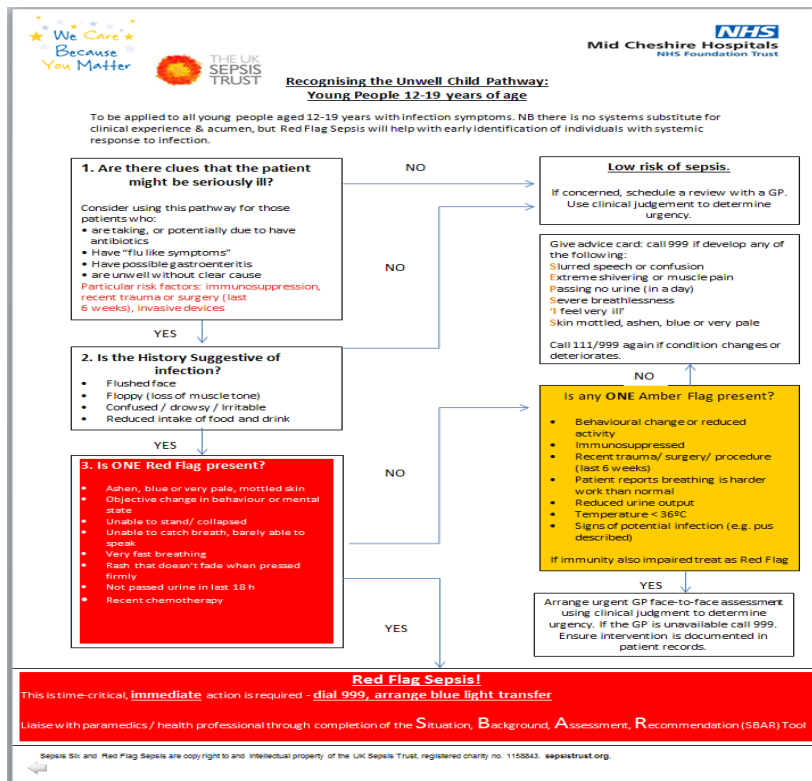


What are we expecting of staff?

- Increasing awareness of potential symptoms and urgency
- How to deal with the symptoms (i.e. forward referral on – 999 if needed)
- Checking temperatures
- Providing standardised advice for those with no ‘red flags’ (Cards will be distributed)
- Not a specialist!







Next steps

- Refresh of annual training with all staff – now have potential to do this virtually!
- Potentially looking at developing e-learning package for staff to complete annual training
- APNP helping to lead on sepsis for CCICP – linking in with Acute Trust

Thank you for your attention

Any questions?

