

PYELONEPHRITIS RISK STRATIFICATION TOOL

UNACCEPTABLE DIAGNOSIS FOR OBSERVATION: SOCIAL ADMIT, FAILURE TO THRIVE, DIZZINESS, UNABLE TO CARE FOR SELF, NEEDS PLACEMENT, UNABLE TO AMBULATE, CHRONIC ... (ANYTHING)

IF PATIENT MEETS ANY OF THE BELOW CRITERIA , THEN HE/SHE MUST BE ADMITTED, NOT OBSERVED.
ADMISSION CRITERIA (criteria that exclude the patient from observation level of care)

- Unstable Vital Signs
- Change in mentation
- Immunosuppression
- Underlying systemic disorder:
e.g. diabetes mellitus, renal failure, sickle cell
- Anatomic abnormality of urinary tract or presence stones
- Males
- Renal Insufficiency with Cr Clearence of < 30

PATIENT MUST MEET ALL OF THE BELOW CRITERIA FOR OBSERVATION - CHECK APPLICABLE BOX(ES)
*****THIS RISK STRATIFICATION MUST BE COMPLETED AND PLACED IN THE CHART.*****
OBSERVATION CRITERIA (inclusion criteria that make observation level of care a possibility)

- Vital signs and mentation stable
- Patient has a diagnosis of Pyelonephritis

Observation Unit Disposition Decision

WBC near normal or improving	All criteria present	DISCHARGE
Stable vital signs		
Taking po fluids and meds		
Resolution or improvement of systemic symptoms		
No response to iv therapy, rising wbc	Any criteria present	ADMIT
Inability to take po fluids or medicines		
Systemic symptoms fail to improve		
Unstable vital signs; temperature fails to improve		
Unable to care for self, no home care		

LEVEL OF CARE DETERMINATION AFTER RISK STRATIFICATION (Check One):

- Observation**
- Admit** (Use the appropriate admission order forms)

MD Signature: _____ Beeper #: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____