**WELCOME TO MCPL**

We are so happy that you are here to help us in our time of need and we want you to be successful.

Here are a few tips about SEPSIS here at MCPL:

* If the patient screens positive for sepsis, notify the unit secretary and the provider
* Immediately collect blood cultures and lactic acid and document that they were collected. If unsuccessful, document each and every attempt
* Administer antibiotics as soon as blood cultures are collected. If unsuccessful at obtaining IV access, obtain order for IM antibiotics and give them within the first hour after arrival. Make sure all attempts at blood collection are documented.
* Give fluids. If the physician specifically has not ordered fluids, please scan the flush that you used when inserting the patient’s IV.
* Assume every patient who is being treated for infection is a potential sepsis patient and follow the above rules
* If any of the above are not ordered for a sepsis patient, please ask the physician if they want that missing piece ordered

Thank you for helping keep our sepsis patients safe, and remember, with sepsis

**TIME IS TISSUE!**