

Neutropenic Sepsis

Algorithm

Patient has had chemo within the last 6 weeks and shows <u>ANY</u> of the following: Symptoms	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fever of 38°C Unwell or deteriorating Rigors Tachycardia Tachypnoea Hypotension Cough UTI Diarrhoea Infected line Other local sign of infection Excessive/unaccustomed irritability or lethargy 	
Urgent Assessment & Investigation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Temp MEWS Bloods: FBC, U&Es, CRP, LFTs Sputum, MSU or CSU Blood cultures - peripheral and PICC/Hickman line Type/date of last chemo
Commence IV Antibiotics urgently within 60 min	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DO NOT WAIT FOR FBC Piperacillin/Tazobactam 4.5g tds IV Meropenem 1g tds if allergic to penicillin
Oncology Pts: Haematology Pts:	0830-1630 Contact AOS on bleep 2274 OOH Contact oncall Oncologist/ Haematologist for Advice.