Your details

* 1. Your name

* 2. Your job title

* 3. Your e-mail address

* 4. Your organisation name

5. Name of person responsible for NEWS at your organisation if not you

6. If you are completing multiple responses to this survey for a single trust, please state the main clinical area for which you are completing this response. Leave blank if not applicable.

7. Please supply a contact name and e-mail address (if different from above) who will be able to provide any additional information or clarification if required.

Use of EWS

8. Is your organisation using an early warning score (EWS) system

( ) Yes, we are using NEWS

( ) Yes, we are using a local adaptation of NEWS

( ) Yes, we are using another EWS (please state below)

( ) No

EWS used:

Use of EWS

9. Describe how you have adapted NEWS in your local context.

10. If your organisation is using an EWS, where is it being used?

○ The whole organisation

○ Part of the organisation

Use of EWS

11. Which part(s) of the organisation are using EWS? Select all that apply. (Please remember that this survey applies for adults outside of maternity/obstetric settings only.)

☐ Emergency department   ☐ ICU

☐ AMU/AAU   ☐ HDU

☐ Medical wards   ☐ Elderly care

☐ Surgical wards   ☐ Cardiac care

Other (please specify)

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12. Does your organisation record EWS using an electronic or paper system?

○ Electronic

○ Paper based

○ Mix of paper and electronic

Electronic system

13. Which electronic system do you use for recording your EWS? Select all that apply

☐ NerveCentre

☐ PatientTrack

☐ VitalPac

Other (please specify)

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14. Which electronic system do you use for alerting high/rising EWS direct to clinicians? Select all that apply.

☐ NerveCentre

☐ PatientTrack

☐ VitalPac

Other (please specify)

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15. Does your organisation plan to implement an electronic system to record EWS in those areas where this is not the case

○ Yes- NerveCentre   ○ Yes- other system

○ Yes- PatientTrack   ○ No plans to implement an electronic system in areas using paper

○ Yes- VitalPac

Policy

16. Does your organisation have a policy on acute deterioration of patients?

◯ Yes

◯ No

Policy

17. Does your policy on acute deterioration of patients include use of EWS?

◯ Yes

◯ No

18. Does your policy on acute deterioration of patients include a formal escalation process/protocol?

◯ Yes

◯ No

19. What is your first point of escalation where escalation is indicated?

◯ Critical care outreach team

◯ Medical emergency team

◯ Medical team caring for the patient

Other (please specify)

20. Does your policy on acute deterioration of patients include a structured communication tool such as SBAR?

◯ Yes (please specify tools used below)

◯ No

Communication tool used:

Measurement and additional support

21. How do you measure quality of care in deterioration? Select all that apply.

☐ Monthly ward audit

☐ Serious incident reviews

☐ Complaints

☐ Mortality reviews

☐ All of the above

Other (please specify)

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22. What challenges have you experienced or are currently experiencing with implementing an EWS in your organisation?

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23. What support do you require in order to fully implement an EWS or further support its use?

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24. If you have any further clarification of information to add please do so here

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25. If you have any best practice documentation or example of work on NEWS you wish to share please feel free to upload here.

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