Two patient labels are required so that you can identify the woman even if the chart is folded back on itself

The eight core vital sign parameters, their abbreviations, and instructions for how to document them are shown in the grey column

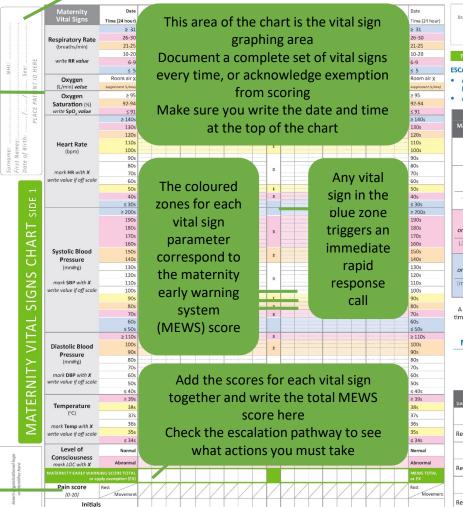
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irst Names or identifier here PLACE PATIENT ID HERE ANY WOMAN YOU, THEY OR THEIR FAMILY ARE WORRIED ABOUT, REGARDLESS OF VITAL SIGNS OR EARLY WARNING SCORE Mandatory escalation pathway - maternity Maternity Early Warning Score **MEWS 1-4** Your local **MEWS 5-7** escalation Acute illness or unstable chronic disease actions will MEWS 8-9 or any vital sign in pink zone be printed Likely to deteriorate rapidly here MEWS 10+ or any vital sign in blue zone A full set of vital signs with corresponding MEWS must be taken and calculated each time at the frequency stated in policy. If there is no timely response to your request for review, escalate to the next coloured zone.

Modification to Maternity Early Warning Score (MEWS) Triggers

The MEWS can be changed to prevent inappropriate escalation All modifications should be made in line with local policy and regularly reviewed by the responsible clinician.

Query any modification that is not signed and dated.

Vital sign use abbreviation)	Accepted values and modified MEWS	Date and time	Duration (hours)	Name and contact details
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Any limitations of medical treatment must be clearly documented in the clinical notes. However, to aid rapid decision making, this information can be duplicated in the modifications box Escalate care for any woman that you, her or her family are worried about, regardless of vital signs or early warning score

This area of the chart is the escalation pathway

It explains what actions to take when total MEWS score triggers are reached, or a single vital sign is in the pink or blue zone

Taking action is mandatory

Modifications to the early warning score triggers are documented here

- Check for modifications before you calculate the total MEWS score
- Ignore any modification that is not current, signed, and dated