

Chart 1: The NEWS scoring system

| Physiological parameter        | Score |        |           |                     |                 |                 |               |
|--------------------------------|-------|--------|-----------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|
|                                | 3     | 2      | 1         | 0                   | 1               | 2               | 3             |
| Respiration rate (per minute)  | ≤8    |        | 9–11      | 12–20               |                 | 21–24           | ≥25           |
| SpO <sub>2</sub> Scale 1 (%)   | ≤91   | 92–93  | 94–95     | ≥96                 |                 |                 |               |
| SpO <sub>2</sub> Scale 2 (%)   | ≤83   | 84–85  | 86–87     | 88–92<br>≥93 on air | 93–94 on oxygen | 95–96 on oxygen | ≥97 on oxygen |
| Air or oxygen?                 |       | Oxygen |           | Air                 |                 |                 |               |
| Systolic blood pressure (mmHg) | ≤90   | 91–100 | 101–110   | 111–219             |                 |                 | ≥220          |
| Pulse (per minute)             | ≤40   |        | 41–50     | 51–90               | 91–110          | 111–130         | ≥131          |
| Consciousness                  |       |        |           | Alert               |                 |                 | CVPU          |
| Temperature (°C)               | ≤35.0 |        | 35.1–36.0 | 36.1–38.0           | 38.1–39.0       | ≥39.1           |               |