

# LTACH Sepsis Consortium Onboarding Series: From Screening to Action


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## LTACH Sepsis Consortium Onboarding Series

### June- Why sepsis bundle compliance matters for LTACHs

TIME	TOPIC	PRESENTER
10-10:05	Welcome and Agenda, Objectives 	Nicki
10:05-10:12	Screening Snapshot: What the field is doing	Deb
10:12-10:15	Group Reflection	Group
10:15-10:23	SIRS	Deb
10:23-10:50	Time Zero and Scenarios	Billie
10:50-10:58	Opening the Conversation: Bundle Questions	Nicki
10:58-11:00	Wrap-up and What's Next	Nicki

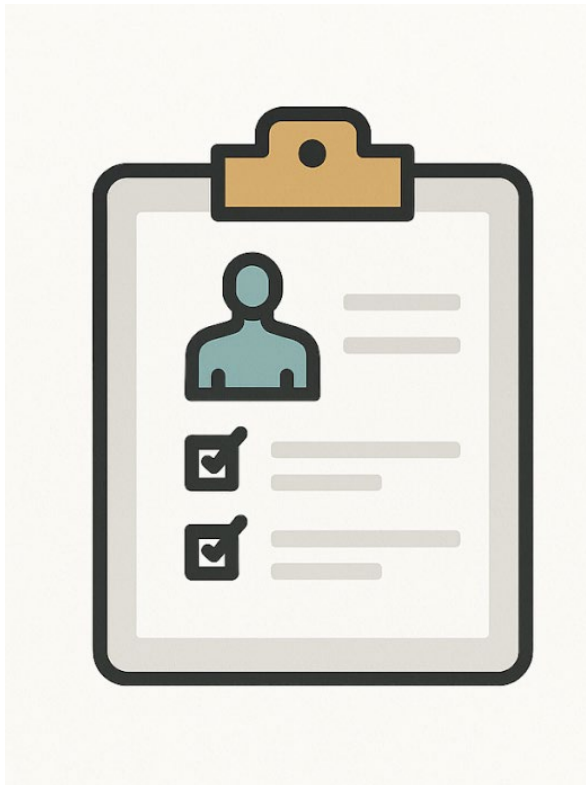


# Objectives

- Describe current sepsis screening practices used in LTACH settings across Kentucky
- Explain the rationale for using SIRS criteria
- Define “Time Zero” in the context of LTACH workflows, using real clinical scenarios to inform timing of intervention
- Discuss how Time Zero directly affects bundle compliance
- Identify common challenges and practical questions related to sepsis bundle implementation in LTCHs, to shape future learning



# Screening Snapshot: What the Field is Doing



- Review Doodle Poll Results:
  - Screening tools used
  - Who screens and when
  - EMR platforms in play



# Group Reflection



- Discuss screening variations
- Normalize that we're all starting from different places

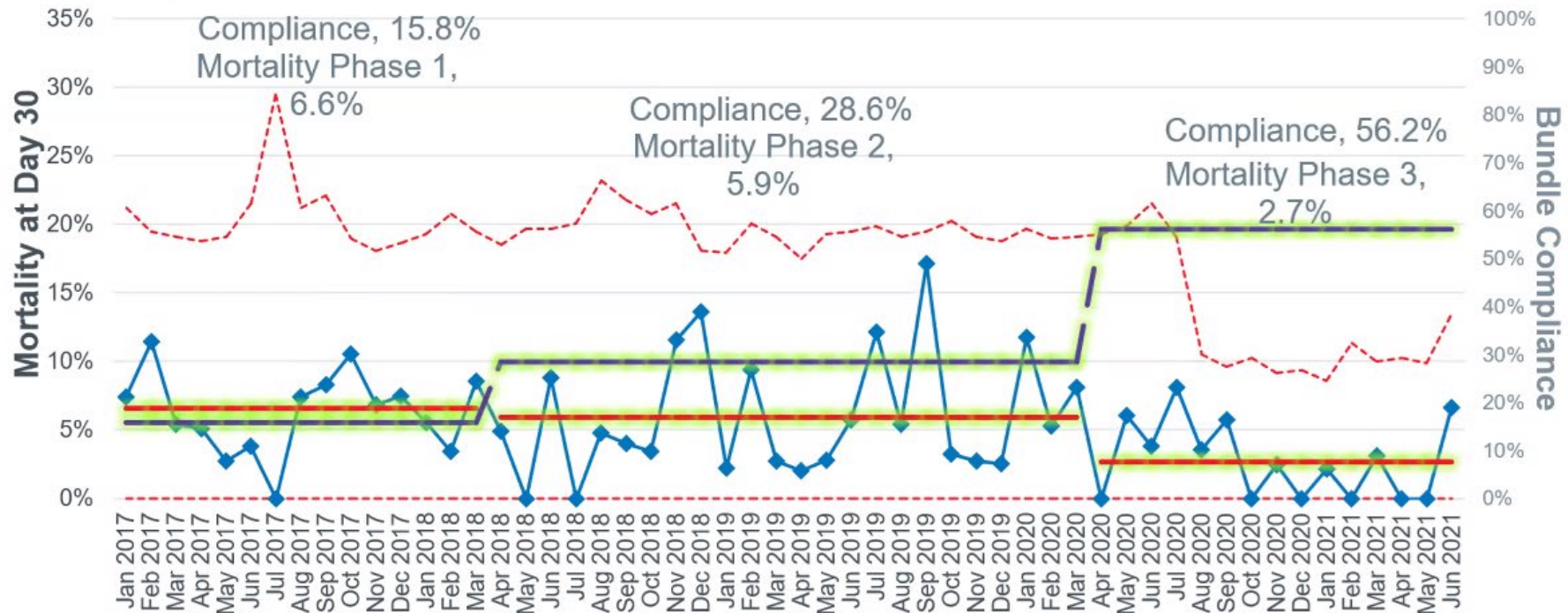


# Deb's Segment

- SIRS in LTACHs

# 30-Day Sepsis Mortality (IPSO Critical Sepsis) Top 10 Most Improved Sites in IPSO Critical Bundle Compliance January 2017 thru June 2021

N = 1809  
Desired Direction



Numerator: Count of sepsis-attributable deaths through Day 30. Denominator: Count of IPSO Critical Sepsis episodes.

--- UCL  
--- LCL  
--- Mortality Phase 1  
◆ 30-Day Sepsis Mortality (IPSO Critical Sepsis)

# Time Zero + Scenarios

- How is Time Zero defined
- Real LTACH cases: How do you respond?
  - What does it trigger?
- Time Zero sets the stage for bundle compliance



# Discussion: Bundle Questions

- What feels achievable?
- What are the gaps or barriers?
- What do you need from us?



# Homework

# Wrap-Up and What's Next

- You can't measure what you can't time!
- Bundle compliance starts with recognition - Time Zero is the trigger
- Now we can talk about documentation and tracking in a way that makes sense
- July will focus on how to document and measure compliance (without burning out your team).





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Thank you.

