Tools and Tactics:
Blueprint for Updating Your Practice with the 2016 Sepsis Guidelines

Educate and Share

- Schedule a time with colleagues to watch the recorded *Updating Your Practice: The 2017 Sepsis Guidelines* webinar. Then, exchange knowledge, experiences, and thoughts of the webinar.
- Share with colleagues the *Surviving Sepsis Campaign: International Guidelines for Management of Sepsis and Septic Shock: 2016*
- Demonstrate the use of tools provided in this webinar.
- Use AACN educational resources to share knowledge, challenges, and inspiration to create solutions that make work easier, practice better, and patients safer.

Tools shown in color are provided to you as part of the *Updating Your Practice: The 2017 Sepsis Guidelines webinar experience*

Audit

- Use the *Gap Analysis tool* to evaluate how knowledgeable your unit is about the new guidelines.
- Distinguish if your hospital uses a protocol-driven approach to early identification and treatment for sepsis.
- Review the *Comparison of 2016 vs. 2012 Surviving Sepsis Campaign Guidelines* and identify what changes have been made.

Try It

- Identify what the SOFA and qSOFA tools are used for. Educate the nurses in your unit how to use these tools.
- Apply the *Passive Leg-raising Maneuver (PLRM)* to obtain accurate measurements to help classify spontaneously breathing patients as responders or nonresponders.

Partner

- Is there a sepsis team or sepsis coordinator at your hospital? If not, collaborate with your manager to determine which team helps drive sepsis care.
- Collaborate with your Quality Department to evaluate current data on identification and treatment of sepsis and septic shock.