



A GUIDE FOR *Caregivers*

SO YOUR LOVED ONE has been admitted to the hospital with suspected sepsis. *Now what?*

Ask questions and write down the answers. You will receive so much information at once and it will be important to be able to look back on this.

TIP: *Record the conversation on your phone so you can refer back to it when needed.*

QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR PHYSICIAN/HOSPITAL:

1. What are the vitals saying?
2. What are the lab values saying?
3. Have antibiotics been started?
4. Have they sent blood to be cultured?
5. What is the treatment plan?



ONCE CULTURES RETURN:

1. What kind of bacteria are they fighting?
2. Has the treatment plan changed?
3. What can I expect next?