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1	SEPSIS PROTOCOL REQUIREMENTS
2	2020 GENERAL SESSION
3	STATE OF UTAH
4	Chief Sponsor: Karen Mayne
5	House Sponsor: Stewart E. Barlow
6 7	LONG TITLE
8	General Description:
9	This bill authorizes hospitals to develop sepsis protocol requirements.
10	Highlighted Provisions:
11	This bill:
12	<ul><li>defines terms;</li></ul>
13	<ul> <li>authorizes hospitals to develop sepsis protocols; and</li> </ul>
14	<ul> <li>provides guidance on factors the protocols should include.</li> </ul>
15	Money Appropriated in this Bill:
16	None
17	Other Special Clauses:
18	None
19	<b>Utah Code Sections Affected:</b>
20	ENACTS:
21	<b>26-21c-101</b> , Utah Code Annotated 1953
22	<b>26-21c-102</b> , Utah Code Annotated 1953
23	<b>26-21c-103</b> , Utah Code Annotated 1953
24	26-21c-104, Utah Code Annotated 1953
<ul><li>25</li><li>26</li></ul>	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
27	Section 1. Section 26-21c-101 is enacted to read:
28	CHAPTER 21c SEPSIS PROTOCOLS

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29	<u>26-21c-101.</u> Title.
30	This chapter is known as "Sepsis Protocols."
31	Section 2. Section 26-21c-102 is enacted to read:
32	<b>26-21c-102.</b> Definitions.
33	As used in this chapter:
34	(1) "Hospital" means a general acute hospital as defined in Section 26-21-2.
35	(2) "Sepsis" means a life-threatening complication of an infection.
36	Section 3. Section 26-21c-103 is enacted to read:
37	<b>26-21c-103.</b> Protocols.
38	(1) Hospitals may develop protocols for the treatment of sepsis and septic shock that
39	are consistent with current evidence-based guidelines for the treatment of severe sepsis and
40	septic shock.
41	(2) When developing the protocols described in Subsection (1), a hospital shall
42	consider:
43	(a) a process for screening and recognizing patients with sepsis;
44	(b) a process to screen out individuals for whom the protocols would not be
45	appropriate for treating sepsis;
46	(c) timeline goals for treating sepsis;
47	(d) different possible methods for treating sepsis and reasons to use each method;
48	(e) specific protocols to treat children who present with symptoms of sepsis or septic
49	shock; and
50	(f) training requirements for staff.
51	(3) A hospital may update the hospital's sepsis protocols as new data on the treatment
52	of sepsis and septic shock becomes available.
53	Section 4. Section 26-21c-104 is enacted to read:
54	26-21c-104. Presenting protocols upon inspection.
55	The department, or an entity assigned by the department to inspect a hospital, may

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56 request a copy of the sepsis protocols described in Section 26-21c-103 when inspecting a

57 <u>hospital.</u>