Morristown Medical Center

Atlantic Health System Sepsis Team

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Present on Admission(POA) Workgroup

Not Present on Admission (NPOA)Workgroup
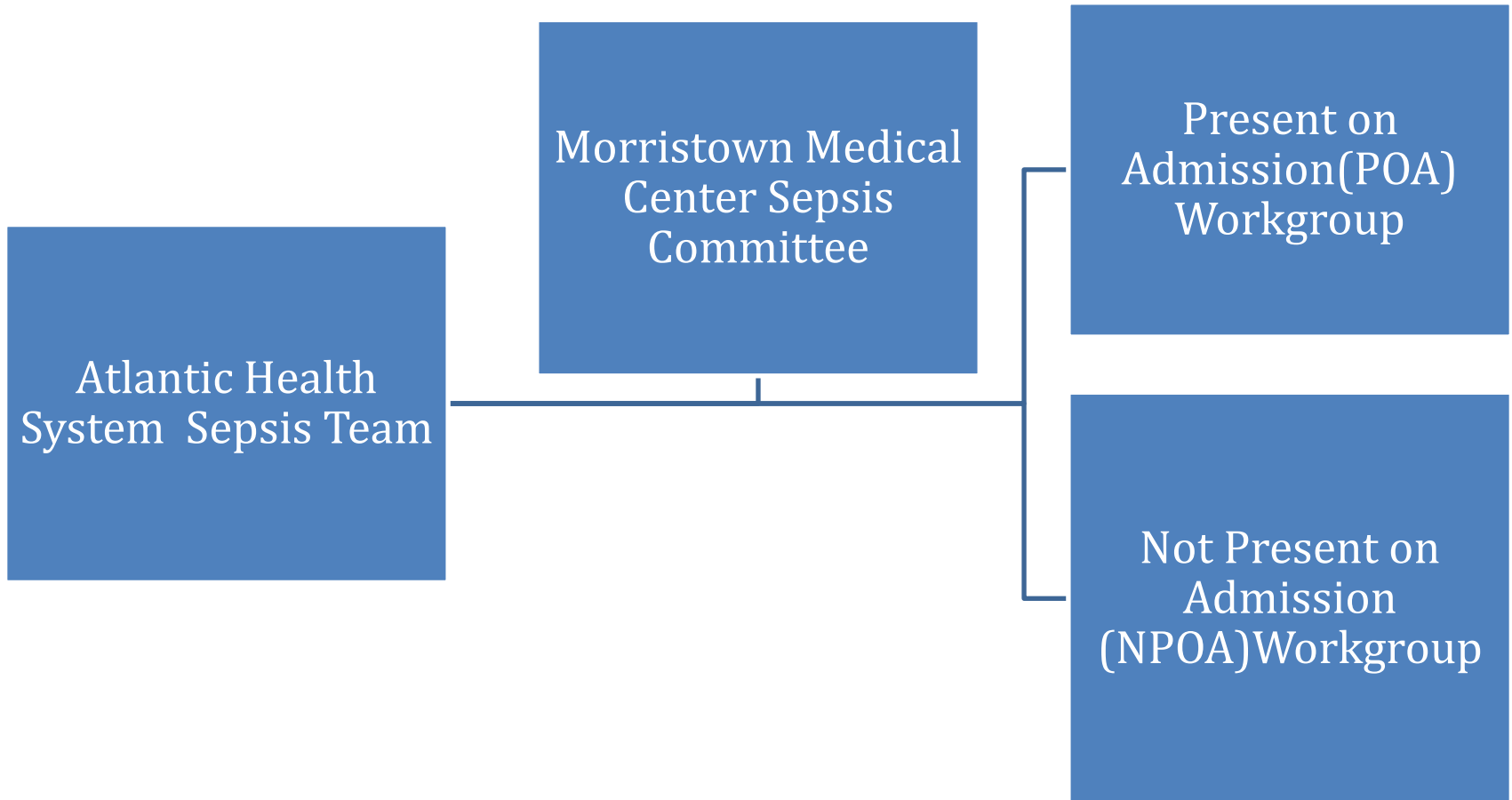
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Support activities to reduce mortality related to POA and NPOA cases.

- Multidisciplinary-- includes physicians, nursing, pharmacy, lab, Information Technology, Medical Records, Quality Improvement, Infection Prevention

- To date has developed physician order sets, nursing alerts, practice algorithms, physician communication process, staff educational programs

- Created specific workgroups to address patient populations.

Present on Admission Workgroup (POA)

Priority :patients presenting through emergency room
- Current Issues
  - Triage and placement of patient
  - ED nurse protocol
    - IV access
    - Temperature methodology
  - Trigger criteria ➡ Alert
  - Lactate Testing –point of care and repeats
  - Checklist and hand off communication
  - Staff education

Not Present on Admission Workgroup(NPOA)

Priority : Patients on any inpatient unit

- Current Issues
  - Early Identification of patients
    - Current Alerts and escalation process, trigger system
  - Sepsis Order set
    - Nurse as lead
    - Lactate Testing –point of care vs lab drawn and repeat specimens