



# Module 8

## Management of Sepsis in a Person with HIV



### Activity 1 Briefing Checklist

- What resources are available in your hospital or clinic?
- What is our plan of care when the patient arrives? Do all members understand and agree upon goals?
- What are the roles and responsibilities of each team member (doctor, nurse, pharmacist, lab tech, etc) when the patient arrives?
- What are some effective communication techniques that team members can employ with each other during the care of this patient?
- Consider a collaborative approach to decrease bad outcomes in sepsis at your place of practice. What can each role do to improve outcomes either when sepsis is initially suspected or throughout sepsis management?

### Activity 2 Role Play

#### Scenario A: Practice the CUS strategy

**Role:** Doctor

You have just started on a busy inpatient service. You are trying to round on patients efficiently and avoid distractions. You feel like some of your nurses are just slowing you down with their questions. You order antibiotics for a sick patient and quickly try to move on to the next patient.

**Role:** Nurse

A new doctor comes in and tries to give the antibiotics to the wrong patient. You have politely tried to explain to the doctor that this is the wrong patient, but he has not listened to you thus far. You are worried about committing a medical error.

**After a five minutes of role play, switch doctor/nurse roles and move on to Scenario B.**

#### Scenario B: Practice the 2-challenge rule

**Role:** Doctor

You are on a busy inpatient service. You are behind on rounds and would like to be more efficient, but feel like some of the nurses are slowing you down. Your current patient, who you have already been seeing for a long time, reports experiencing pain. You quickly prescribe ibuprofen to the patient and ask the nurse to administer it immediately.

**Role:** Nurse

One of your patients has been experiencing some pain and you would like to offer some medication to control it. The doctor prescribes ibuprofen, but you notice in the patient's chart that he has an anaphylactic allergy to NSAIDs. You would like to bring up this concern with the doctor.