

# Jonathan Rosenfeld's Nursing Homes Abuse Blog

## Early Detection Is The Key Element To Successful Sepsis Treatment

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As a nursing home lawyer who has been involved in many cases where where 'sepsis' is listed as a cause of death, I can attest to the devastating effects this complication has on patients with bed sores (similarly called: pressure sores, pressure ulcers or decubitus ulcers) and other medical conditions.

To those unfamiliar with *sepsis*, it is a severe infection that effects the complete body.

The wide-reaching effects of sepsis surprised even me. According to statistical analysis of septic hospital patients:

- Sepsis is the 10th leading cause of death in the U.S.
- 1/3 of people who develop sepsis will die
- Sepsis results in more than \$17 billion in medical expenses every year

The fight against sepsis has now begun!

The Banner Desert Medical Center, is now the first medical center in the country to implement a sepsis detection program to help improve the survival rate of patients. The hospital uses a scientific formula to detect warning signs that are indicative of sepsis including:

- changes in body temperature
- increases in heart rate
- changes in respiratory rate
- white blood cell count

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Once the early signs of sepsis are identified, the hospital is able to administer treatment quickly-- and greatly improve the patients survival rate. At Banner Medical Center, the hospital credits the new program with the early detection of sepsis in 60 patients within the first two-month period that traditional detection techniques were unable to spot. Read more about this important development in sepsis detection [here](#).

My hope is that the sepsis detection instruments used at this hospital become common practice-- not just amongst hospital patients-- but nursing home patients as well who frequently receive delayed medical treatment because nursing home staff do not have the tools to make a diagnosis of sepsis.

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[Is sepsis related to bed sores? BedsoreFAQ.com](#)

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