



Irish Paediatric Early Warning System (PEWS) Training Quiz

Date: _____ Circle: Medical / Nursing Staff Grade: _____

Please read the following statements and indicate the correct answer

		Pre-course		Post-course	
		True	False	True	False
1	Infants and children can deteriorate rapidly once they begin to tire				
2	The PEWS Score is the only reliable means of detecting a deteriorating child				
3	A child who is not improving may be at risk of deterioration				
4	Clinical concern on the part of a parent/carer is scored 1 even if the nurse is not in agreement				
5	Clinical judgement is used to determine the appropriate response to clinical findings and level of concern				
6	The Escalation Guide must always be followed as prompted by the PEWS Score				
7	Nurses can apply a Special Situation for an individual child and not escalate care but this decision must be documented				
8	Parameter Amendments (PA) are used to prevent unnecessary calls during the acute phase of a child's illness				
9	Observations under a Parameter Amendment are scored as 0 or 3 only				
10	Medical Escalation Agreements may be used with caution in individual cases				
11	Score observations under a Medical Escalation Agreement normally (0,1,2,or 3)				
12	All sleeping children should be woken for AVPU assessment				
13	A PEWS Score must be calculated every time observations are recorded				
14	A single pink (3) trigger requires a clinical review urgently				
15	A low score in a sick looking child should provide reassurance				
Total answers correct:					