

NENC Abdominal Pain and EmLap Pathway

Date of Presentation ___/___/___
 Time of Presentation ___:___ hrs
 Location:

NHS Number:.....
 Trust Number:.....
 Surname:.....
 Forename:.....
 Date of Birth:.....

Patient with Abdominal Pain

- EXCLUDE:**
- Diarrhoeal illness
 - Biliary colic
 - Ureteric colic
 - Urinary sepsis
 - Pregnant patient
 - Minor GI bleeding

NEWS2 score of 3 or more?

Yes

No

excluded

<input type="checkbox"/>	Urgent surgical referral MRCS or above	TIME __: __	Within 1 hour
<input type="checkbox"/>	Manage sepsis – **antibiotics**		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Take bloods incl. amylase; ABG & lactate		
<input type="checkbox"/>	NEWS 5+ Escalate to senior ED Dr & senior surgeon		

Surgical review MRCS grade

Is there *likely significant* intraabdominal pathology?

No

Yes

<input type="checkbox"/>	Urgent EmLap CT scan	Time requested __: __
<input type="checkbox"/>	Scan within 1 hour	Time completed __: __
<input type="checkbox"/>	Scan reported within 1 hour	Reported __: __
<input type="checkbox"/>	Reconsider need for antibiotics	

Is there pathology requiring surgery?

Yes

START LAPAROTOMY PATHWAY OVER PAGE

TIME __: __ hrs

Process patient normally

Emergency Laparotomy Pathway (“EmLap”)

Patient with intraabdominal pathology requiring surgery

Is this a NELA patient?

- Enter on NELA database if eligible
- Mortality Risk: NELA% P-Possum.....%
- Ensure antibiotics given** at booking if intraabdominal sepsis
- Critical Care discussion
- Frailty assessment

Book patient for theatre

- Tick one:
- 1. Immediate:** Theatre within 2 hrs
 - 2A. Urgent:** Theatre 2-6 hours
 - 2B. Urgent:** Theatre 6-18 hours
 - 3. Expedited:** Theatre 18+ hours

Arrival time in theatre suite __ : __ hrs
 Document any delays:

Intraoperative Checklist (must be completed)

- Consultant Surgeon
- Consultant Anaesthetist
- Antibiotics
- Lactate +/- invasive monitoring
- Goal-Directed Fluid Therapy considered
- NELA domains 1-6 completed

Postoperative (must be completed)

- Post-op Critical Care L3 L2 Other e.g. palliation.....
- COTE review necessary Yes No