

# Documentation Tip: Sepsis-Causative Organism

**Documenting the source (*causative organism*) of Sepsis accurately supports the intensity of your service, severity of illness, risk of mortality, and length of stay.**

- ✓ Document the organism causing Sepsis ***if known or suspected***:
  - Bacterial-specify type
    - Gram negative (E. coli, Pseudomonas, Klebsiella, etc.)
    - Gram positive (Streptococcus, Staphylococcus, etc.)
  - Fungal-specify type
  - Parasitic-specify type
  - Viral-specify type (Covid-19, Influenza, etc.)

Note: If the source is unknown please specify “unknown”

