



MCG's content is organized into guidelines. Each guideline has the medical criteria that is relevant to that particular diagnosis, surgical condition, or body system (in the case of General guidelines).

MCG Guideline Types	Description	Guideline Examples	Scenario
Medical / Surgical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Appropriate for most primary conditions and surgical procedures</li> <li>70 - 80% of cases</li> <li>Identified diagnosis or procedures</li> </ul>	Pneumonia	Pneumonia New need for O2 CURB-65 = 3
General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No clear diagnosis</li> <li>No Medical or Surgical guideline is applicable</li> <li>Organized into body systems and problem-oriented</li> <li>INPT only, use General OBS Guideline if patient does not meet criteria</li> </ul>	Pulmonary Disease	SOB / Hypoxia Undetermined cause Could be Pneumonia vs superimposed CHF
Multiple Condition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Concurrent active secondary diagnoses that could lead to an extended stay.</li> <li>Primary diagnosis or procedure, paired with comorbid diagnosis.</li> <li>All diagnosis must be "active" and require treatment</li> </ul>	Pneumonia with Clinically Active Diabetes	Pneumonia New need for O2 + Diabetes with concurrent of 450

### Helpful Tips

- You can access different guideline types from the "Type" filter.
- It's usually best to keep this filter set to "All" when searching.
- When should you use the General guideline?
- Search results do not identify a Medical or Surgical guideline for a specific diagnosis, condition, or procedure.
- Patient doesn't have a clear diagnosis, is too complex, or has other general clinical features (systemic condition, metabolic abnormality, etc.) such that use of a specific diagnosis-based guideline is not possible.
- General guidelines should not be used when a specific Medical or Surgical guideline is applicable.

Type

All (4) ▾

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- Multiple Condition
- General
- Medical
- Surgical

### General Guidelines – Most Commonly Utilized

Cardiology	Multiple Illness	Ob / Gyn	Infectious Disease
Gastroenterology	Musculoskeletal Disease	Oncology	Trauma
General Surgery / Procedure	Musculoskeletal Surgery / Proc.	Pain Management	Urologic Disease
Head and Neck Disease	Neurology	Pulmonary Disease	Vascular Disease
Hematology	Neurosurgery / Procedure	Respiratory Failure	Wound / Skin Management