

# FEVER

15% Bacterial infection

2y-3y

→ no clinically indicated.

t 738.9°C

Partial temp.

< 6w

temp 738.0°C

6w - 12w

t ≥ 38.0°C

3m - 2y

t 738.9°C

most are viral  
strep pneumoniae resolves by itself

Well + Focus → treat focus

septic  
Very unwell

Full septic w/u + ceftriaxone.

↓ LOC, ↓ perfusion, signs cerebral irritation, petechiae.

Unwell

but not septic + no focus

→ No a bag. If N+ve or U+ve → need cath urine

Screen for UTI (2-5% have UTI)

± BC.

± CXR / LP if clinically indicated.

Empirical abx generally not indicated.

Full septic w/u  
check glucose

- FBC
- BE
- Cath Urine
- LP
- CXR.

Empirical antibiotics

- Amox 50mg/kg/dose Q8-12H.
- ceftriaxone

Unwell

appearance  
work of breathy  
circulation.

Well

BC  
Urine culture → not bag. dipstick does not rule out UTI.  
CXR if Resp Sympt.

if normal → home with review 24hrs. (mandatory).