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Simplified Sarnat Screening Tool

SIMPLIFIED SARNAT CRITERIA (Assess as many signs as possible)

Severity	Mild encephalopathy	Moderate encephalopathy	Severe encephalopathy	1h	2h	3h	4h	5h	6h
Level of consciousness	Hyperalert	Decreased = Reduced response to non-painful stimulation ("lethargic")	Absent = only responds to painful stimuli ("Stupor"); or no or minimal response to pain ("coma")	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe
Spontaneous activity	Normal or increased	Decreased	None	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe
Tone	Normal or increased in trunk AND extremities	Hypotonia = reduced trunk OR extremity tone OR both	Flaccid = no tone	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe
Suck reflex	Normal or incomplete	Incomplete	Absent	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe
Moro reflex	Strong, low threshold	Incomplete	Absent	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe
Respiratory abnormality	Normal	Periodic breathing	Apnoea	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe	☐ Normal ☐ Mild ☐ Mod ☐ Severe
Tick to indicate whether the sign is consistent with normal, mild, moderate or severe NE				Date:					
				Time:					
				Sign:					

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