



Pneumonia Signs and Symptoms Assessment

Below is a list of signs and symptoms of pneumonia; a resident may have one or more than one of them. If any are identified, the next step is to report, as further testing is recommended.

	Any Change in The Resident's Condition Should Be Reported Immediately
Y	Sign/Symptom
	Fever • With tachycardia (Increased heart rate; >100) • Chills and sweats • Fatigue
	Lower Than Normal Body Temperature (Adults 65 years or older and those with weakened immune systems)
	 Cough May be productive or nonproductive with mucoid (clear), purulent (yellow/yellowish green), or blood-tinged sputum
	 May have pain with normal breathing Facial grimaces or winces Vocalization of pain (moans, cries, gasps, groans) Bracing of chest or surroundings (furniture or room equipment) May avoid taking a deep breath May have increased pain with coughing Facial grimaces or winces Vocalization of pain (moans, cries, gasps, groans) Bracing of chest or surroundings (furniture or room equipment)
	Shortness of Breath at Rest or With Minimal Exertion Increased respiratory rate Shallow respirations Crackles, rales, bronchial breath sounds are heard on auscultation Fatigue Headache Myalgia (deep muscle pain) or arthralgia (joint pain) May be mild or severe May last minutes or be constant May occur with rest or movement
	 Confusion May occur due to the infection, fever, or shortness of breath
	Loss of Appetite Nausea Vomiting

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Diarrhea