

Assunto: Criação e Implementação da Via Verde de Sepsis (VVS)

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I. CONTEXTO

Dados portugueses indicam que 22% dos internamentos em unidades de cuidados intensivos são devidos a Sepsis adquirida na comunidade¹. Estes casos originam uma mortalidade hospitalar global de 38%, ou seja quase três vezes superior à mortalidade dos casos de AVC internados no ano de 2007. A mortalidade das formas mais graves de Sepsis, nomeadamente do choque séptico, atinge 51%¹.

Dados recentes, vindos da Europa e dos Unidos da América (EUA), indicam que a Sepsis representa um grave problema de saúde pública, comparável ao acidente vascular cerebral (AVC) e ao enfarte agudo do miocárdio (EAM)*.

Acresce que a incidência da doença cardiovascular está a diminuir, ao passo que a da Sepsis aumenta pelo menos 1,5% ao ano³. Este aumento de incidência radica no envelhecimento da população, na maior longevidade de doentes crónicos, na crescente existência de imunossupressão por doença ou por iatrogenia e no maior recurso a técnicas invasivas. A gravidade dos casos de Sepsis parece estar também a aumentar, sendo maior o número de doentes com falência orgânica associada à Sepsis (Sepsis grave). O aumento de incidência determinou aumento do número de mortos por Sepsis nos últimos anos, sendo também comparável à mortalidade por AVC e por EAM^{3,4,5,6}.

Como para o AVC e o EAM existe para a Sepsis um conjunto de atitudes que, se realizados numa fase precoce da doença, reduzem a morbi-mortalidade. Estas atitudes incluem a identificação e estratificação rápidas de doentes, a utilização de antibioterapia adequada e de estratégias de ressuscitação hemodinâmica guiada por objectivos. Sabemos hoje, por exemplo, que por cada hora que demoremos a administrar antibioterapia apropriada, há uma redução de 7.6% na sobrevivência⁷.

A implementação de um protocolo terapêutico de Sepsis permite não só diminuir a mortalidade, mas, também, um redução substancial dos custos para as instituições. Uma implementação alargada destes protocolos terapêuticos representa um meio potencial para a melhoria da utilização dos recursos existentes, com contenção simultânea dos custos⁸.

* Nos EUA, a incidência de AVC e de EAM estão estimadas em, respectivamente, 780 000 e 920 000 casos anuais². A incidência de sepsis estima-se em 751 000 casos/ano, com custos anuais associados a ascenderem a 16.7 mil milhões de dólares³

O único estudo multicêntrico português¹ realizado revela também que é grande a margem de melhoria na resposta que os serviços de urgência nacionais dão aos casos de Sepsis grave e choque séptico, nomeadamente no que diz respeito à realização e ao timing de doseamento de lactato sérico e ao timing de administração de antibioterapia.

II. NORMA

Sendo, actualmente, aceite cientificamente que uma intervenção precoce e adequada, tanto em termos de antibioterapia⁷ como de suporte hemodinâmico⁹, pode melhorar significativamente o prognóstico dos doentes com Sepsis grave e choque séptico, é imperativa a implementação de mecanismos organizacionais que permitam a sua rápida identificação e instituição atempada de terapêutica otimizada. Neste sentido, a Direcção-Geral da Saúde, no uso das suas competências técnico-normativas, e através da tradução e adaptação das orientações existentes a nível nacional e internacional, validadas por um grupo de peritos, determina, por recomendação do Departamento da Qualidade na Saúde, a criação, a nível nacional, da Via Verde da Sepsis (VVS).

1. Centros Participantes

Fazem parte da VVS todos os Serviços de Urgência (SUs) nacionais: SU básicos (SUB), SU médico-cirúrgicos (SUMC) e SU polivalentes (SUP).

São definidos **dois níveis** de responsabilidade:

Nível 1: Serviços de Urgência **SEM** Cuidados Intensivos (SUBs e SUMCs de Hospitais que não possuam Unidades de Cuidados Intensivos)

Nível 2: Serviços de Urgência **COM** Cuidados Intensivos (SUMCs que possuam Unidades de Cuidados Intensivos e SUPs).

Como Unidade de Cuidados Intensivos (UCI) entende-se unidade de monitorização e tratamento intensivo com rácio enfermeiro/doente de, pelo menos, 1 para 2 e com médico dedicado em presença física 24 horas por dia.

A existência de uma UCI é determinante, não só para assegurar um local de tratamento e vigilância adequados, mas também porque o passo 4 do algoritmo é altamente dependente do *know-how* característico da medicina intensiva e do doente crítico, nomeadamente colocação de cateter venoso central, realização de *fluid challenge* com avaliação dinâmica da pressão venosa central (PVC), eventual uso de inotrópicos e vasopressores e avaliação de saturação venosa central de oxigénio (SvcO₂).

2. Orientação Clínica

Os SUs de nível 1 asseguram:

1. A identificação dos doentes, simultaneamente, com Sépsis, isto é suspeita de infecção (tabela 1) e pelo menos 2 critérios de Síndrome Resposta Inflamatória Sistémica (SIRS) (tabela 3) por um lado, e hipoperfusão, isto é hipotensão que persiste após administração de pelo menos 20 ml/Kg de SF [ou equivalente] e/ou hiperlactacidemia >4mmol/l, por outro lado. (Evidência Científica de nível 1C)
2. A realização de exames complementares iniciais (tabela 2),
 - a. Colheita de hemoculturas (pelo menos dois e não mais do que três conjuntos de hemoculturas, colhidas por punção venosa, com técnica asséptica adequada e volume de sangue de acordo com o recomendado pelo fabricante ou, na ausência de recomendação, não inferior a 10ml por frasco), sem atrasar o início da antibioterapia (Evidência Científica de nível 1C)
 - b. Outros exames microbiológicos adequados à situação, sem atrasar o início da antibioterapia (Evidência Científica de nível 1C),
 - c. Gasimetria, hemograma, bioquímica
 - d. Telerradiografia pulmonar (se suspeita de foco respiratório) (Evidência Científica de nível 1C)
3. A instituição de antibioterapia adequada (Evidência Científica de nível 1B),
4. O início de reposição de volémia (Evidência Científica de nível 1C) e
5. A referenciação e transporte para centro de nível 2.

As hemoculturas colhidas devem ser enviadas com o doente e a equipa de transporte para o hospital de nível 2.

Os SUs de nível 2 dispõem de, pelo menos, uma unidade intensiva e apoio laboratorial e de radiologia 24 horas por dia.

Deve estar sempre presente no SU um responsável pela VVS, explicitamente nomeado, baseado em critérios de cada hospital. Terá a seu cargo o cumprimento do algoritmo e a decisão de transferência.

3. Orientação Organizacional

a. Triagem de Doentes

A identificação e estratificação de doentes devem seguir um processo de **três passos**.

Passo 1: passo de identificação de caso-suspeito de sepsis.

O **primeiro passo** consiste na avaliação sistemática de todos doentes que recorram ao SU, no momento da triagem geral inicial, nomeadamente da Triagem de Prioridades (Manchester), como possíveis candidatos à VVS. Os critérios VVS não substituem a Triagem de Prioridades (Manchester), antes são aduzidos a esta. A presença de uma suspeita clínica de infecção (tabela 1) deve motivar a avaliação obrigatória da frequência cardíaca, frequência respiratória e temperatura corporal (critérios de síndrome de reposta inflamatória sistémica – SIRS – tabela 3). Doentes com uma queixa sugestiva de infecção e pelo menos dois critérios de SIRS (frequência cardíaca superior a 90 bpm, frequência respiratória superior a 20 cpm e temperatura corporal inferior a 36°C ou superior a 38°C) avançam para o passo 2.

Passo 2: confirmação médica de caso-suspeito de sepsis, de existência de hipoperfusão e de ausência de critérios de exclusão.

O **segundo passo** baseia-se na rápida reavaliação do doente por um médico do SU, com o objectivo de confirmar suspeita clínica de infecção, avaliar se existe hipoperfusão grave, traduzida por hipotensão (TAS<90mmHg) ou por hiperlactacidemia (>4mmol/l), e se não existem critérios de exclusão da VVS (tabela 4).

Os doentes com confirmação médica da suspeita clínica de infecção e hipoperfusão passam, não havendo critérios de exclusão, para o terceiro passo.

Passo 3: Algoritmo terapêutico

O **terceiro passo** consiste no algoritmo terapêutico abaixo descrito.

b. Algoritmo terapêutico (terceiro passo)

Os dois objectivos fundamentais são a administração de antibioterapia adequada e a optimização da entrega tecidular de oxigénio.

O conceito de antibioterapia adequada radica na utilização de fármacos activos contra o microorganismo causal, em doses maximizadas, com boa penetração no foco de infecção e administrado na primeira hora após o reconhecimento do quadro (Evidência Científica de nível 1B).

É, portanto, necessária uma clara política de antibióticos no SU que permita que este objectivo seja cumprido.

A prescrição de antibióticos deve seguir as seguintes recomendações:

1. Antibioterapia endovenosa de largo espectro com um ou mais fármacos activos contra o agente bacteriano/ fúngico provável e com boa penetração no tecido/ órgão provavelmente afectado (Evidência Científica de nível 1B)
2. Rever a antibioterapia diariamente para optimizar eficácia, prevenir resistências e evitar toxicidade (Evidência Científica de nível 1C)

Deve existir um *stock* de antibióticos endovenosos no SU que assegure a sua rápida administração.

A terapêutica precoce orientada por objectivos assenta na obtenção, de forma sequencial, de três parâmetros hemodinâmicos claramente definidos (ver algoritmo – passo 4), com o intuito de optimizar o aporte de oxigénio aos tecidos periféricos. Estes objectivos são (Evidência Científica de nível 1C):

- Pressão venosa central (PVC) > 8 mmHg (ou 12 em doentes ventilados),
- Tensão arterial média (TAM) > 65 mmHg,
- Saturação venosa central de oxigénio (SvcO₂) > 70%.

Os objectivos preconizados devem ser atingidos nas primeiras 6 horas após a apresentação, o que implica que os doentes em centros de nível 1, após as medidas iniciais (ie – colheita de exames microbiológicos, primeira administração de antibiótico e início de fluidos -_ver algoritmo - passo 3a), sejam rapidamente transferidos[#].

4. Formação

A implementação do processo implica a realização de formação específica.

O programa de formação inclui três tipos de curso:

- Curso de VVS para enfermeiros, focando o processo de triagem e de identificação de suspeita de sepsis e dando a conhecer a totalidade do algoritmo de tratamento;
- Curso de VVS para médicos de SU nível 1, focando os passos 1, 2, 3a e 3b e dando a conhecer o algoritmo global;
- Curso de VVS para médicos de SU nível 2, focando todos os passos do algoritmo terapêutica e a relação com as Unidades de Cuidados Intermédios e Intensivos.

5. Material

É necessário assegurar em TODOS os SU a existência do material, equipamento e fármacos necessários à concretização dos vários passos do respectivo “nível” de responsabilidade do SU na Rede da Via Verde da Sepsis.

6. Cronograma de Implementação

A implementação da VVS começará pelos Serviços de Urgência de Unidades de Saúde COM Cuidados Intensivos (Nível 2) e estar esta primeira fase concluída até final de 2010. A concretização da Rede deverá estar concluída até final de 2011.



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[#] Tal como para as Vias Verdes do AVC e do EAM, poderá ser solicitada a colaboração do INEM para as transferências inter-hospitalares, no âmbito da Via Verde da Sepsis (despacho n.º 5414/2008, DR n.º 42, 2ª Série, de 28 de Fevereiro; e “Documento Orientador sobre as Vias Verdes do EAM e do AVC”, da Coordenação Nacional das Doenças Cardiovasculares – www.acs.min-saude.pt)

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ANEXO 1- Tabelas

	Tabela 1: Critérios de Presunção de Infecção
a)	Tosse + (dispneia ou dor pleurítica)
b)	Dor lombar + (disúria ou polaquiúria)
c)	Dor abdominal ou icterícia
d)	Diminuição aguda do nível de consciência
e)	Cefaleias + vômitos
f)	Sinais inflamatórios cutâneos extensos
g)	Critério clínico do responsável

	Tabela 2: Exames complementares iniciais
a)	Hemoculturas
b)	Outros exs microbiológicos de acordo com o foco provável de infecção
c)	Gasimetria de sangue arterial
d)	Hemograma com plaquetas (se possível com % de neutrófilos imaturos)
e)	Ionograma, ureia, creatinina, glicose e PCR
f)	RX pulmonar na suspeita de foco respiratório
g)	Estudo da coagulação (se disponível)

	Tabela 3: Critérios de SIRS
a)	Frequência Cardíaca > 90 bpm
b)	Frequência respiratória > 20 cpm
c)	Temperatura corporal < 36°C ou > 38°C

	Tabela 4: Critérios de Exclusão da VVS
a)	Gravidez
b)	ICC descompensada / Síndrome coronário agudo
c)	Doença cerebrovascular aguda
d)	Hemorragia digestiva activa
e)	Estado de mal asmático
f)	Politrauma / grandes queimados
g)	Doente não candidato a técnicas de suporte orgânico

Anexo 2- Algoritmo

Critérios de Presunção de Infecção	
a)	Tosse + (dispneia ou dor pleurítica)
b)	Dor lombar + (disúria ou polaquiúria)
c)	Dor abdominal ou icterícia
d)	Diminuição aguda do nível de consciência
e)	Cefaleias + vômitos
f)	Sinais inflamatórios cutâneos extensos
g)	Critério clínico do responsável

Critérios Exclusão da VVS (1)	
a)	Gravidez
b)	ICC descompensada / Sd coronário agudo
c)	Dça cerebrovascular aguda
d)	Hemorragia digestiva activa
e)	Estado de mal asmático
f)	Politrauma / gds queimados
g)	Dte não candidato a técnicas de suporte orgânico (situação para limitação de cuidados)

