Guideline for Hospital Admission

Ministry of Public Health - Lebanon

Hospital admission for Hepatitis A cases

In decision-making on hospital admission for patients with confirmed Hepatitis A, the presence of any of the following findings would support a recommendation for hospital admission:

- 1- Age > 45 years
- 2- Fever > 38.5°C since 72 hours accompanied with vomiting and clinical signs of dehydration and renal insufficiency.
- 3- Clinical signs of hepatic encephalopathy (flapping tremor, coma)
- 4- Hemorrhagic manifestations
- 5- Ascitis
- 6- Consumption of more than 3g of paracetamol, aspirin during the past week.
- 7- T.P. <50%
- 8- Anemia or leucopenia
- 9- Obese or post-partum patient
- 10- Cirrhosis and/or cardiopathy and/or chronic renal insufficiency
- 11- Patient with HIV/AIDS

Checklist:

Finding	Present	Absent
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