

LOWER RESPIRATORY INFECTION, OTHER THAN PNEUMONIA (LRI)

LUNG – Other Infection of the Lower Respiratory Tract

(Revised January 1, 2016)

DEFINITION: Other infections of the lower respiratory tract must meet at least **ONE** ☐ of the following criteria:

☐ Criterion 1: (Revised January 1, 2016)

☐ Patient has **ONE** ☐ of the following:

☐ organisms seen on gram stain from **ONE** ☐ of the following. #

☐ lung tissue

☐ pleural fluid*

☐ organisms identified from **ONE** ☐ of the following. #

☐ lung tissue

☐ pleural fluid*

** when pleural fluid was obtained during thoracentesis or initial placement of chest tube and NOT from an indwelling chest tube.*

by a culture or non-culture based microbiologic testing method which is performed for purposes of clinical diagnosis or treatment (e.g., not Active Surveillance Culture/Testing (ASC/AST)).

☐ Criterion 2: (Revised January 1, 2016)

☐ Patient has **ONE** ☐ of the following:

☐ lung abscess seen during **ONE** ☐ of the following:

☐ gross anatomic exam

☐ histopathologic exam

☐ other evidence of infection* seen during **ONE** ☐ of the following:
(*e.g. empyema)

☐ gross anatomic exam

☐ histopathologic exam

☐ Criterion 3: (Revised January 1, 2016)

☐ Patient has imaging test evidence **ONE** ☐ of the following:

☐ abscess

☐ infection



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REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS: *(Revised January 1, 2016)*

- If patient meets LUNG and PNEU report as PNEU only, unless the LUNG is a surgical site organ/space infection, in which case, report both PNEU and SSI-LUNG