

## **PYELONEPHRITIS**

### **TRANSFER CRITERIA**

Vital signs and mentation otherwise stable when fever taken into account  
Flank pain  
Frequency, urgency, dysuria  
Positive urinalysis for UTI (pyuria, nitrates, and/or leukocyte esterase)  
Urine cultures obtained

### **EXCLUSION CRITERIA**

Unstable BP, widening pulse pressure  
Change in mentation  
Underlying systemic disorder such as DM, renal failure, sickle cell  
Immunosuppression  
Anatomic abnormality to urinary tract or presence of stones  
Males

### **OBSERVATION UNIT**

Serial examination  
IV fluid therapy  
Antiemetics  
Antipyretic  
IV antibiotic  
PO antibiotics

### **DISPOSITION CRITERIA**

Home - Resolution or improvement of systemic symptoms  
Ability to take po medications  
Stable vital signs

Hospital - Worsening of systemic symptoms  
Inability to take po medications  
Unstable vital signs