

Notas:

- *During clinical assessment, the NEWS physiological parameters should be recorded, each being allocated a score reflecting the magnitude of physiological disturbance. If supplemental oxygen is required to maintain oxygen saturation, two additional points should be added to the aggregate score, to give an individualised NEWS score for the patient.*
- *A competent clinical decision-maker should make the decision about whether to use the **Scale 2 oxygen saturation section** of the NEWS chart, which is specific to patients with hypercapnic respiratory failure (usually COPD) who require their 'usual' oxygen saturations to be set at 88–92% in accordance with BTS guidelines. When this clinical decision is taken, the **Scale 1 oxygen saturation section** of the chart should be clearly crossed out. Conversely, for all other patients, the **Scale 2 oxygen saturation section** of the chart should be clearly crossed out, to avoid confusion.*
- *level of consciousness and new confusion ('C'), thus AVPU becomes ACVPU, where **C** represents new confusion*