

WISCONSIN RHEUMATIC FEVER CASE CRITERIA WORKSHEET:
JONES CRITERIA

Patient Name: _____ **Date of Birth:** ____/____/____

Person completing form: _____ Phone: (____) ____ - ____

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Jones Criteria: If supported by evidence of preceding group A streptococcal infection, the presence of **two major** manifestations or of **one major and two minor** manifestations indicates a high probability of acute rheumatic fever.

Did the patient have supporting evidence of a preceding group A streptococcal infection?

Yes _____ No _____

If yes, was infection indicated by one of the following (check one):

_____ Positive throat culture or rapid streptococcal antigen test

_____ Elevated or rising streptococcal antibody titer

Major manifestations: (Please check all that apply)

_____ Carditis (inflammation of the heart)

_____ Migratory polyarthritits (exquisite joint pain and inflammation)

_____ Chorea (involuntary movement of the limbs)

_____ Erythema marginatum (rash)

_____ Subcutaneous nodules (usually over the joints)

Minor manifestations: (Please check all that apply)

_____ Fever (usually high)

_____ Arthralgia (joint pain, even in the absence of redness or swelling)

_____ Elevated acute-phase reactants

1. Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate (ESR)

2. C-reactive protein (CRP)

_____ Abnormal EKG (prolonged PR interval)

Does the case meet the Jones Criteria for diagnosing rheumatic fever? Yes _____ No _____

Reference: Dajani AS, et al. Guidelines for the diagnosis of rheumatic fever. Jones Criteria, 1992 update. *JAMA* 1992;268(15):2069-2073.