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