

## **Pneumonia: A Disease Without a Season – Interview Transcripts**

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**Dr. Brian Curtis, OSF HealthCare Physician**

“It could cause you to be admitted to the hospital. And at times when that happens, the pneumococcal bacteria gets into your bloodstream and you develop what we call sepsis, and people have been admitted to the ICU, placed on the ventilator and have died from it.”

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“People over the age of 65 are more susceptible to having bad outcomes from any type of virus or bacterial illness and it’s just an age-related phenomenon. Their immune system is just not as effective as it was at a younger age.”