BLACKBOOK

RIGHT LUNG
Left innom. vein
Arch of aorta
Ascending aorta
Pulmonary artery
Conus arteriosus
Right ventricle
Left ventricle
Left auricula

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A Message from the Editors

Welcome to the *Blackbook*, an ongoing project organizing medical presentations into schemes. The *Blackbook* is the result of the hard work and dedication of medical students and faculty at the University of Calgary, Cumming School of Medicine. We are proud that healthcare practitioners and trainees around the world find the *Blackbook* to be a useful tool in their learning.

The *Blackbook* continues to evolve with each new version. This fifteenth edition features cover artwork hand drawn by a talented medical student in our class, Fajr. You can check out more of her artwork on Instagram @artbyfajr.

As medical students, we are often asked, "What is your approach to X?". The *Blackbook* presents information that is organized into scheme-based approaches. The *Blackbook* website continues to integrate with other University of Calgary resources, the Calgary Guide and Calgary Cards, an online study aid using patient case centered multiple choice questions. These resources aim to facilitate the direct translation of scheme-oriented learning into clinical scenario practice so that students can confidently answer the question, "What is your approach to X?".

We continue to strive to make the *Blackbook* a leading study resource. Please email **blackbk@ucalgary.ca** with any feedback, corrections, or ideas for new schemes.

Thank you and happy learning!
Anya Friesen & Kamiko Bressler

Introduction to Schemes

The material presented in this book is intended to assist learners in organizing their knowledge into information packets, which are more effective for the resolution of the patient problems they will encounter. There are three major factors that influence learning and the retrieval of medical knowledge from memory: meaning, encoding specificity (the context and sequence for learning), and practice on the task of remembering. Of the three, the strongest influence is the degree of meaning that can be imposed on information. To achieve success, experts organize and "chunk" information into meaningful configurations, thereby reducing the memory load.

These meaningful configurations or systematically arranged networks of connected facts are termed schemata. As new information becomes available, it is integrated into schemes already in existence, thus permitting learning to take place. Knowledge organized into schemes (basic science and clinical information integrated into meaningful networks of concepts and facts) is useful for both information storage and retrieval. To become excellent in diagnosis, it is necessary to practice retrieving from memory information necessary for problem resolution, thus facilitating an organized approach to problem solving (scheme-driven problem solving).

The domain of medicine can be broken down to 121 (+/- 5) clinical presentations, which represent a common or important way in which a patient, group of patients, community or population presents to a physician, and expects the physician to recommend a method for managing the situation. For a given clinical presentation, the number of possible diagnoses may be sufficiently large that it is not possible to consider them all at once, or even remember all the possibilities. By classifying diagnoses into schemes, for each clinical presentation, the myriad of possible diagnoses become more manageable 'groups' of diagnoses. This thus becomes a very powerful tool for both organization of knowledge memory (its primary role at the undergraduate medical education stage), as well as subsequent medical problem solving.

There is no single right way to approach any given clinical presentation. Each of the schemes provided represents one approach that proved useful and meaningful to one experienced, expert author. A modified, personalized scheme may be better than someone else's scheme, and certainly better than having no scheme at all. It is important to keep in mind, before creating a scheme, the five fundamentals of scheme creation that were used to develop this book.

If a scheme is to be useful, the answers to the next five questions should be positive:

1. Is it simple and easy to remember? (Does it reduce memory load by "chunking" information into categories and subcategories?)
2. Does it provide an organizational structure that is easy to alter?
3. Does the organizing principle of the scheme enhance the meaning of the information?
4. Does the organizing principle of the scheme mirror encoding specificity (both context and process specificity)?
5. Does the scheme aid in problem solving? (E.g. does it differentiate between large categories initially, and subsequently progressively smaller ones until a single diagnosis is reached?)

By adhering to these principles, the schemes presented in this book, or any modifications to them done by the reader, will enhance knowledge storage and long term retrieval from memory, while making the medical problem-solving task a more accurate and enjoyable endeavour.

Dr. Henry Mandin
Dr. Sylvain Coderre

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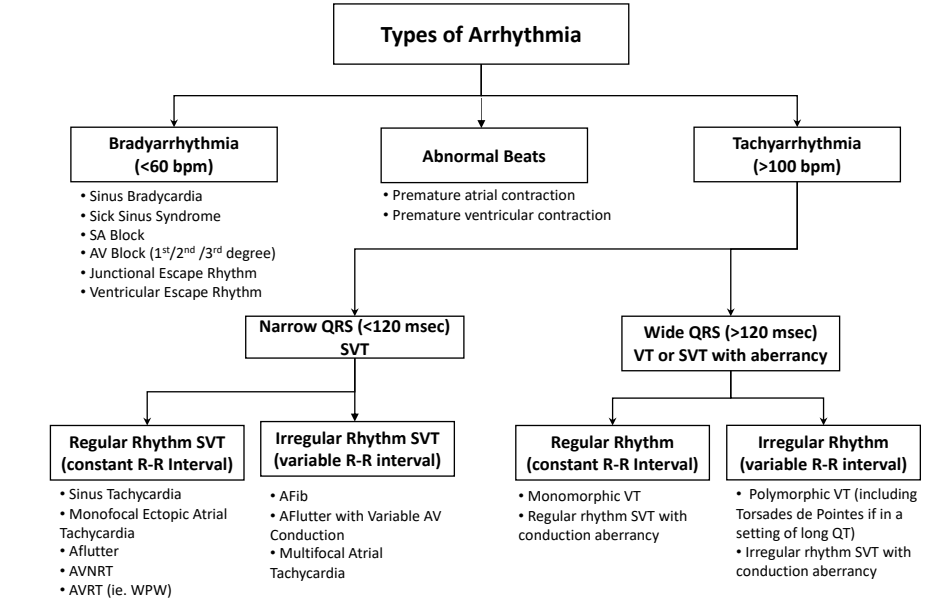

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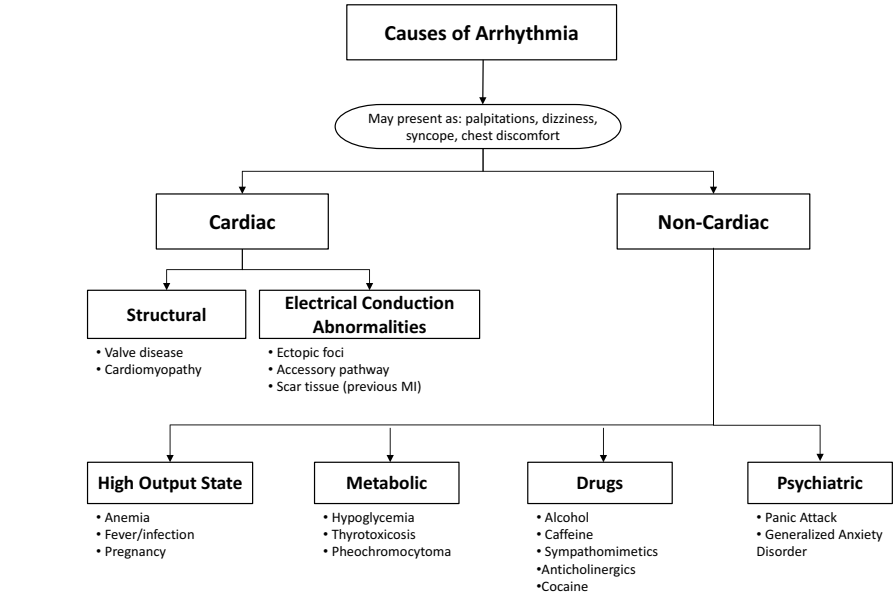
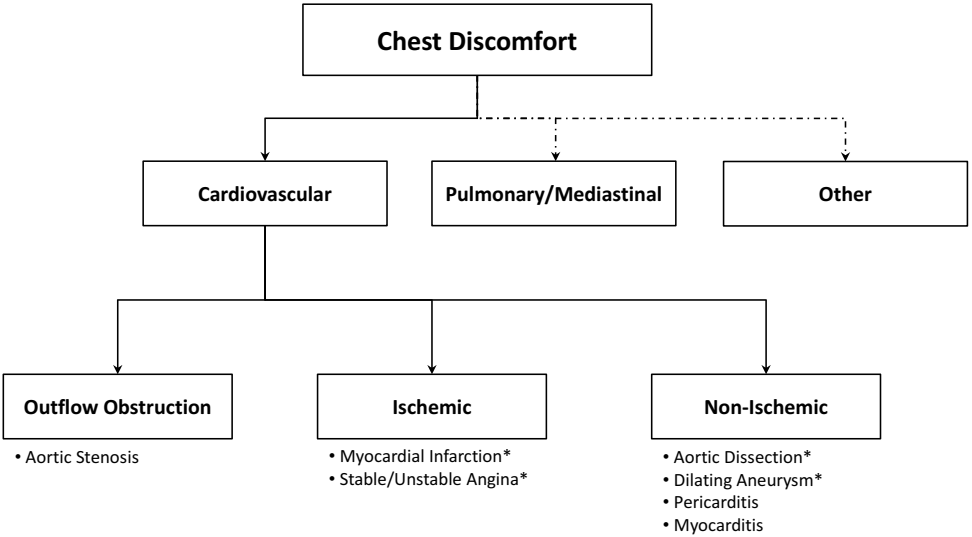


Chest Discomfort

Cardiovascular



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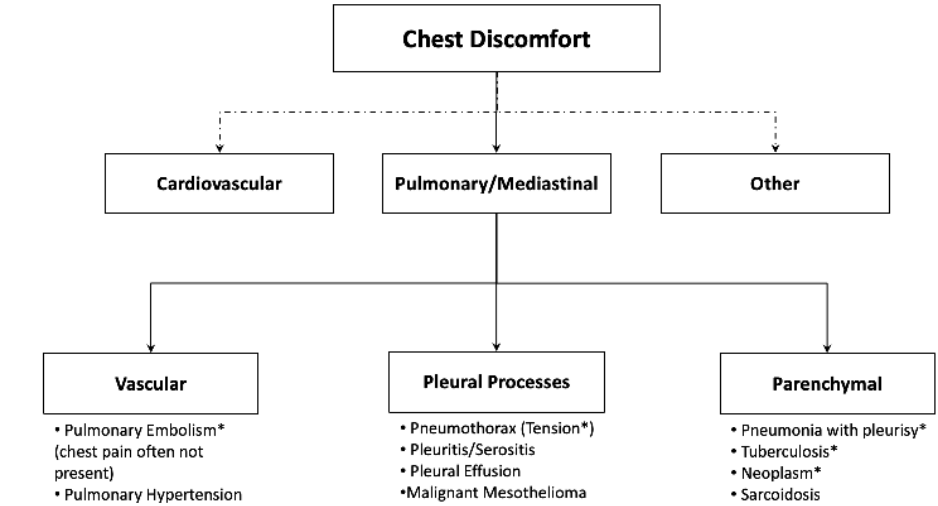
Chest Discomfort

Pulmonary / Medistinal



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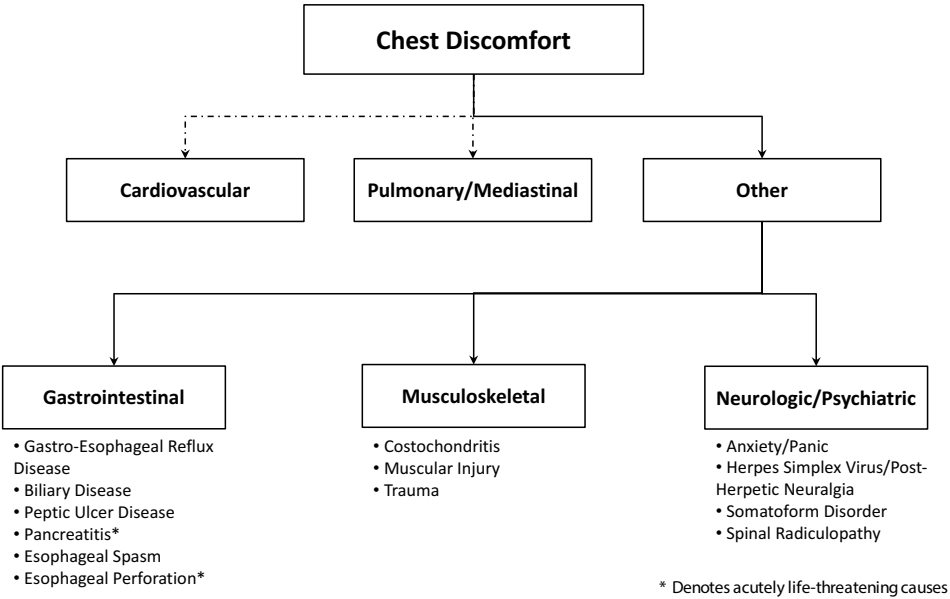
Other



Diastolic Murmur

Diastolic Murmur

Early Diastolic

- Aortic Regurgitation*
- Pulmonary Regurgitation (Graham-Steell Murmur)*

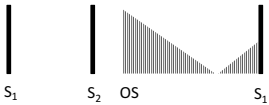
•Aortic Regurgitation/ Pulmonary Regurgitation

Mid-Diastolic

- Mitral Stenosis*
- Tricuspid Stenosis*
- Severe Aortic Regurgitation (Austin Flint Murmur)
- Atrial Myxoma Prolapse

Late Diastolic

- Mitral Stenosis*
- Tricuspid Stenosis*
- Myxoma



* Mitral Stenosis/Tricuspid Stenosis
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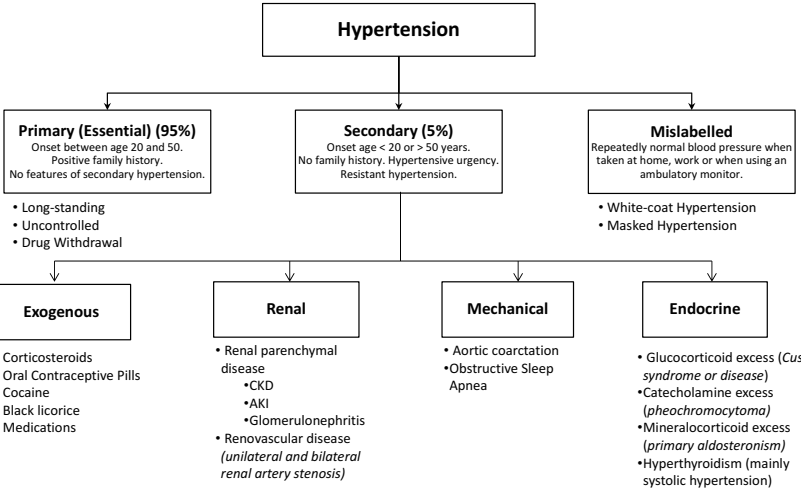
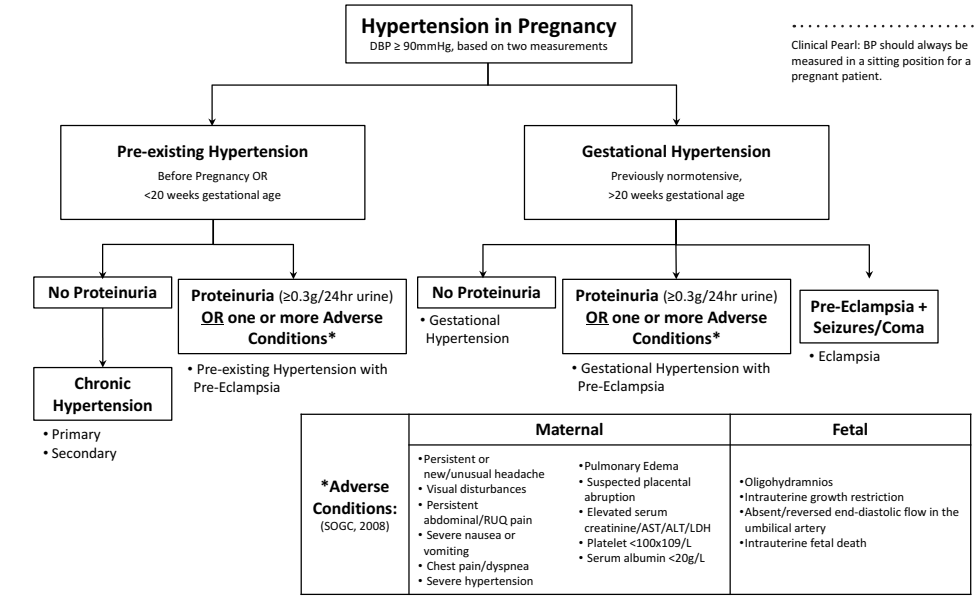
Hypertension



Definition of hypertension:
Systolic BP ≥ 140mmHg or Diastolic BP ≥ 90mmHg
Isolated systolic hypertension in the elderly: ≥ 160mmHg
Diabetes mellitus ≥ 130/80mmHg
Note: In children, the definition of hypertension is different (either systolic or diastolic BP >95%ile), **but the approach is the same**.

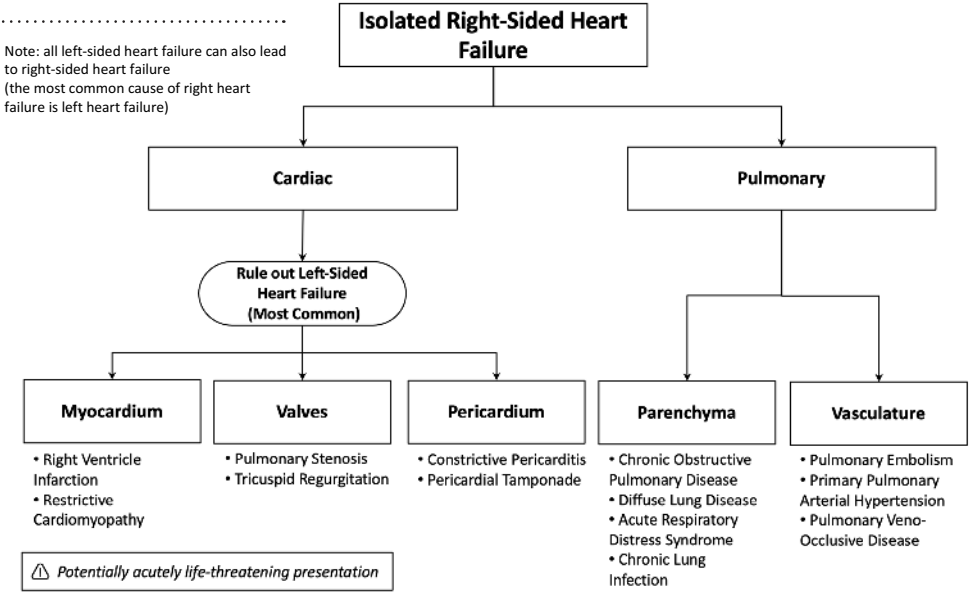
Hypertensive Urgency: BP usually >180/110mmHg or asymptomatic Diastolic BP >130mmHg with target organ damage usually present but not acutely changing
Hypertensive Emergency: BP usually >220/140mmHg with evolving target organ damage

Hypertension in Pregnancy



Isolated Right-Sided Heart Failure

Note: all left-sided heart failure can also lead to right-sided heart failure (the most common cause of right heart failure is left heart failure)



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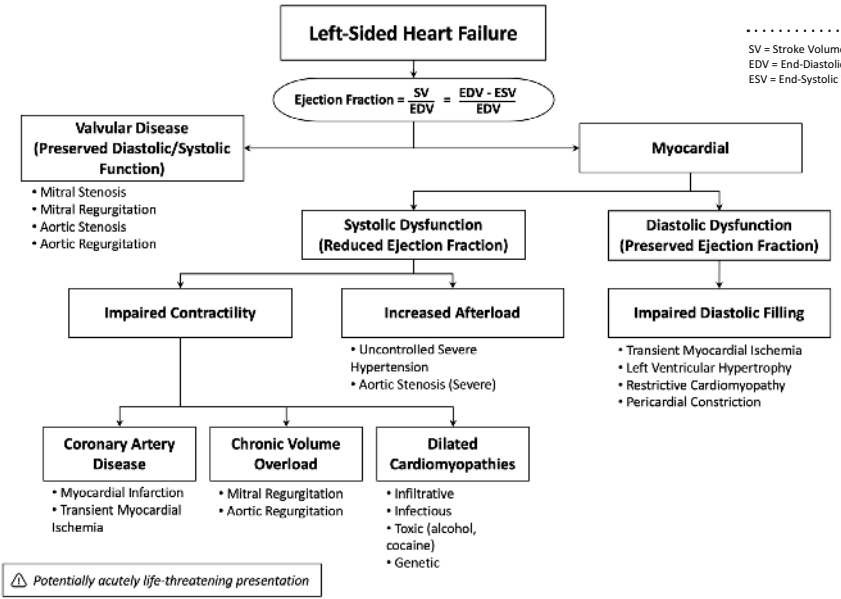
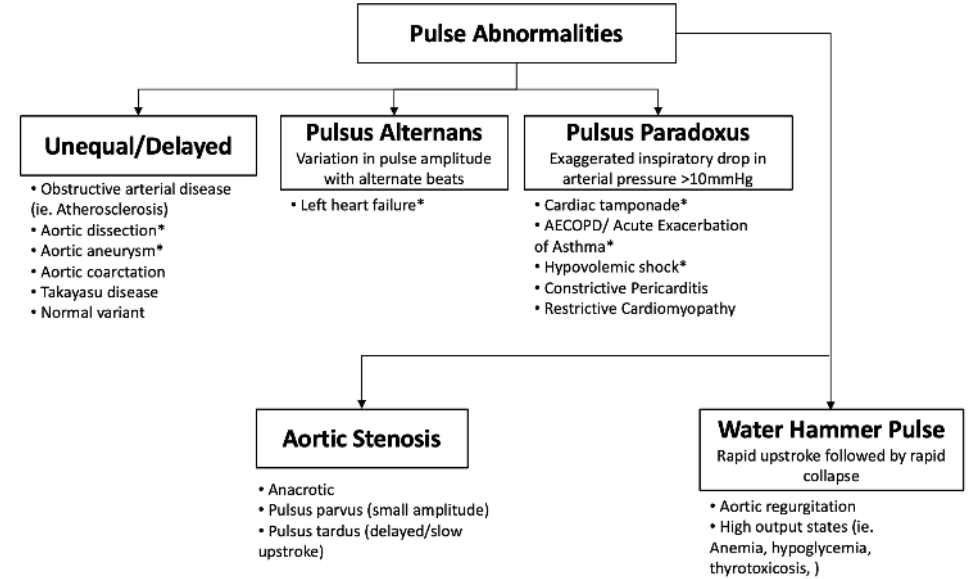


Pulse Abnormalities



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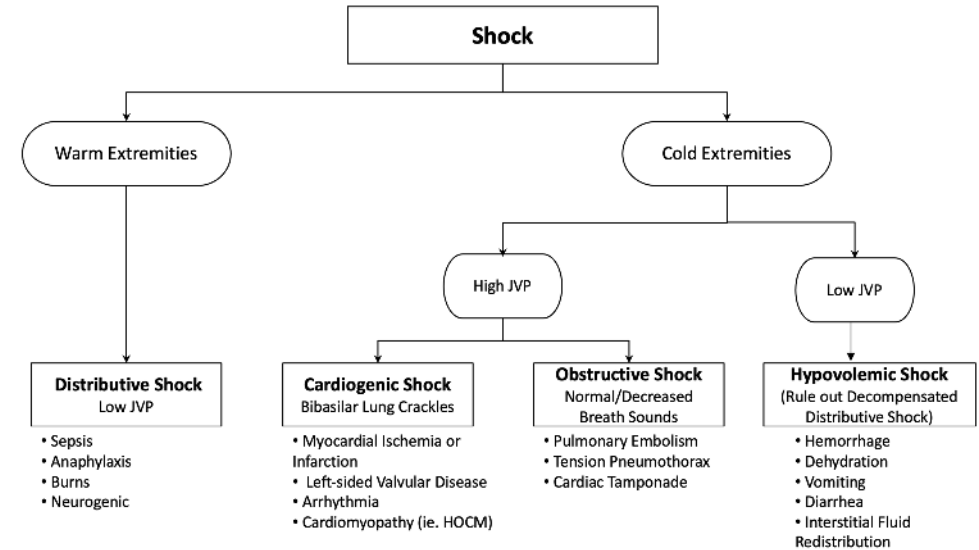
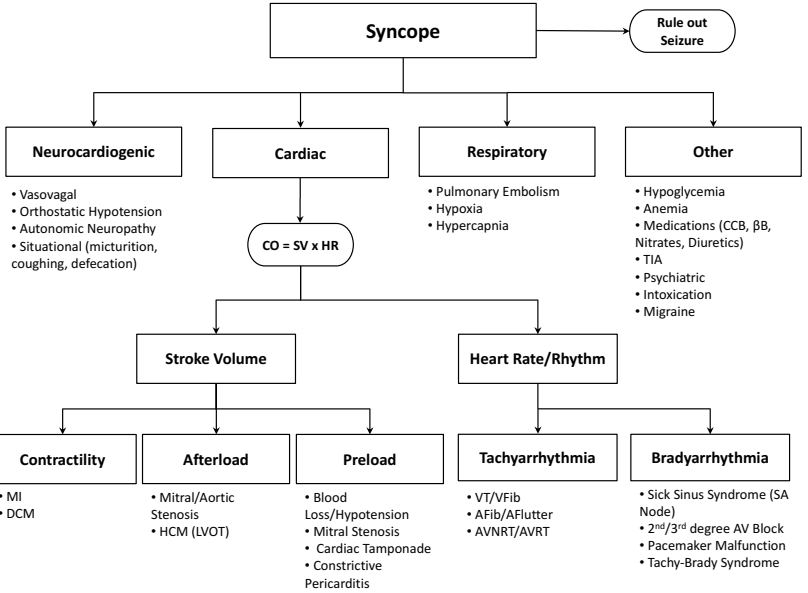


⚠ *Potentially acutely life-threatening presentation*

Syncope

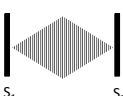


Systolic Murmur

Benign & Stenotic

Systolic Murmur

- **Benign/Flow/ Hyperdynamic**
  - Pregnancy
  - Fever
  - Anemia
- **Stenosis**
  - **Supravalvular**
    - Aortic Coarctation
    - Supravalvular Aortic Stenosis (rings, webs)
  - **Subvalvular**
    - Hypertrophic Obstructive Cardiomyopathy
    - Subvalvular Aortic Stenosis (rings, webs)
  - **Valvular**
    - **Aortic Stenosis***
      - Uni-/Bicuspid
      - Degenerative (Tricuspid)
      - Rheumatic Heart Disease
    - **Pulmonary Stenosis***

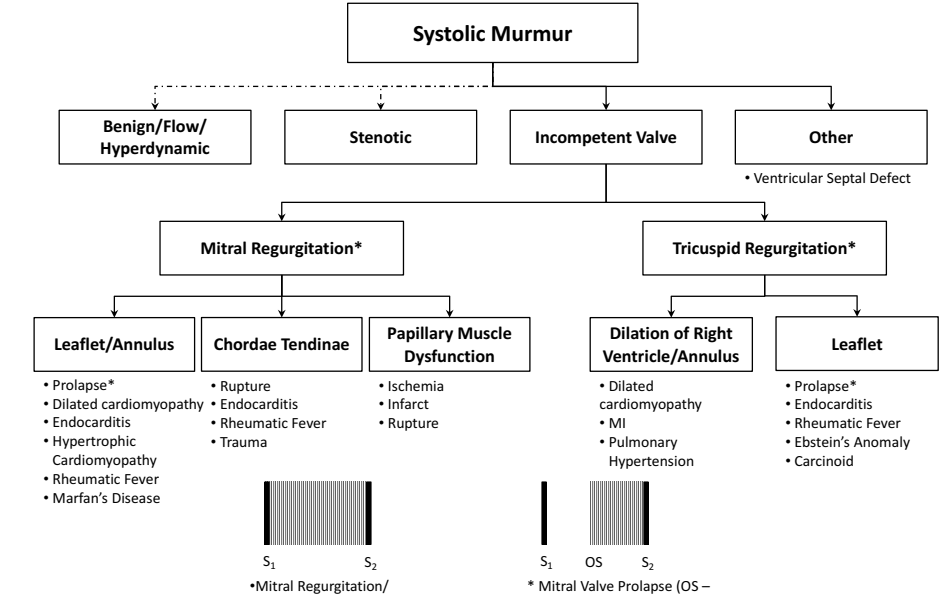


•Aortic Stenosis/ Pulmonary Stenosis

- **Incompetent Valve**
- **Other**

Systolic Murmur

Valvular & Other



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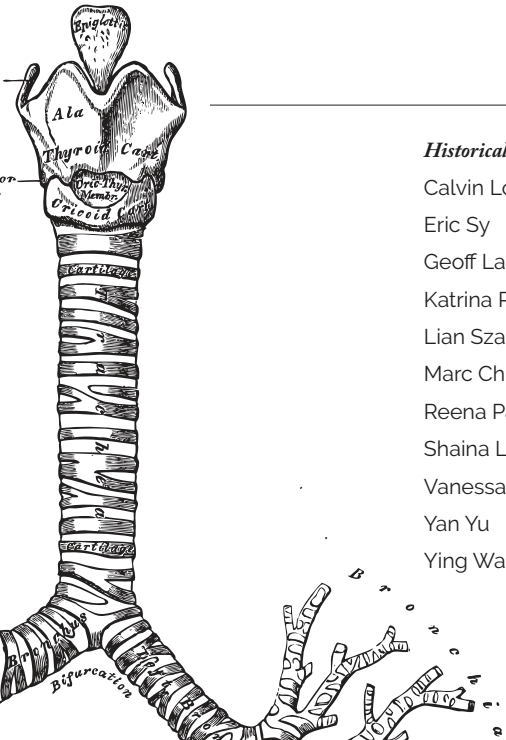

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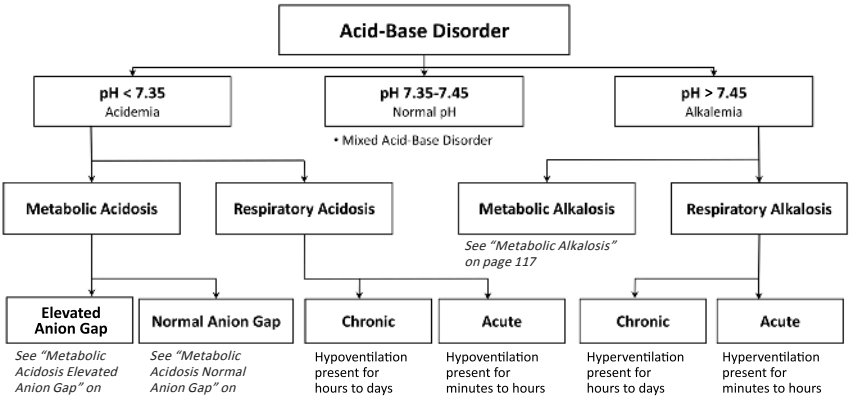
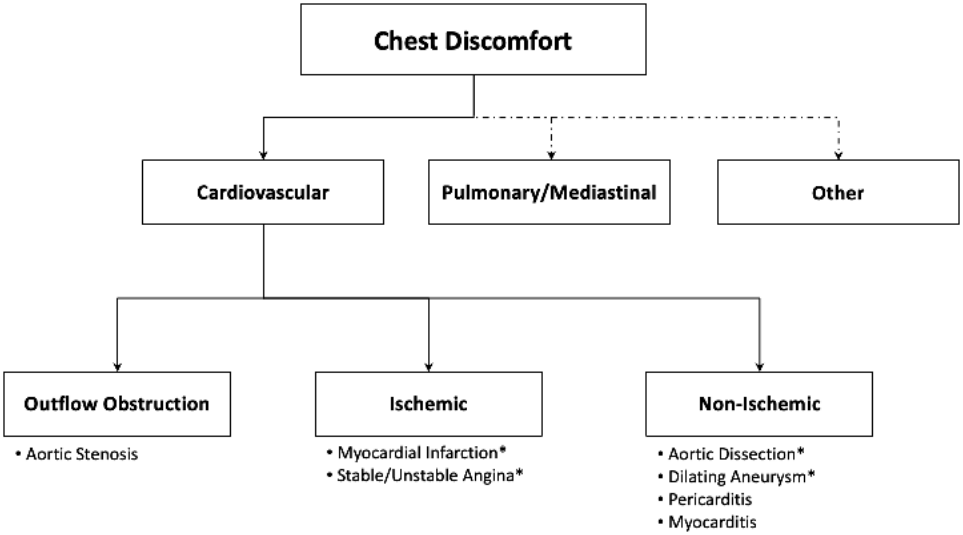
Pulmonary



Appropriate Compensation:	Ratio (CO_2:HCO_3^-)
Metabolic Acidosis	12:10
Metabolic Alkalosis	7:10
Acute Respiratory Acidosis	10:1
Chronic Respiratory Acidosis	10:3
Acute Respiratory Alkalosis	10:2
Chronic Respiratory Alkalosis	10:4

Chest Discomfort

Cardiovascular



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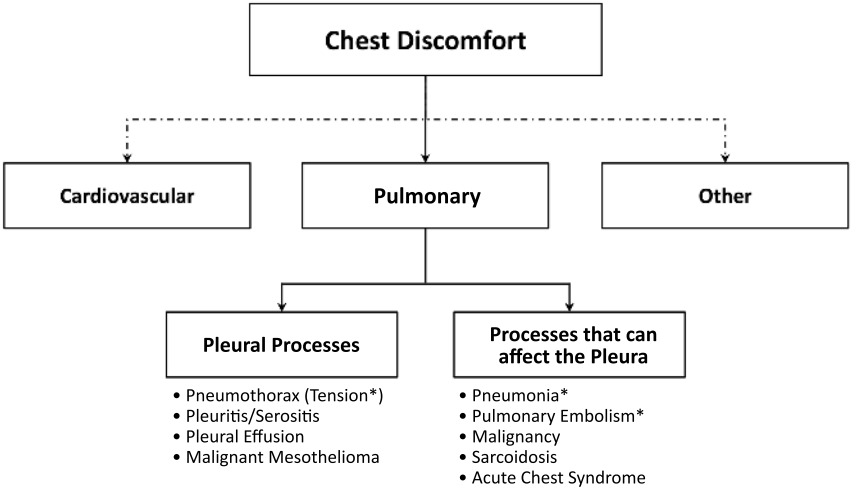
Chest Discomfort

Pulmonary



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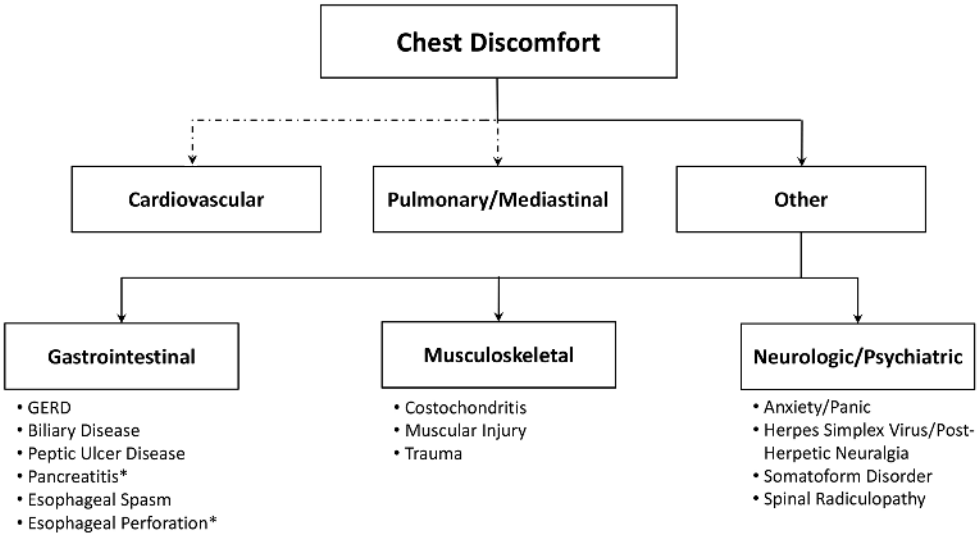
Chest Discomfort

Other



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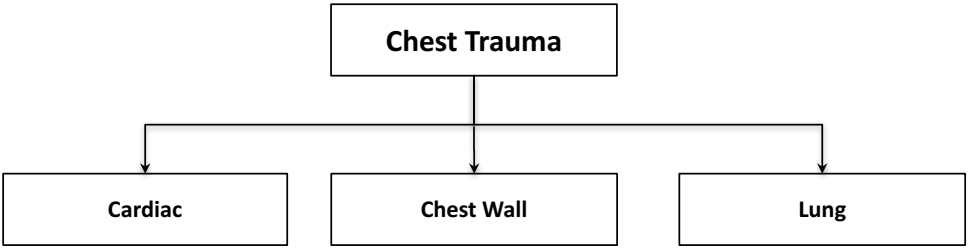

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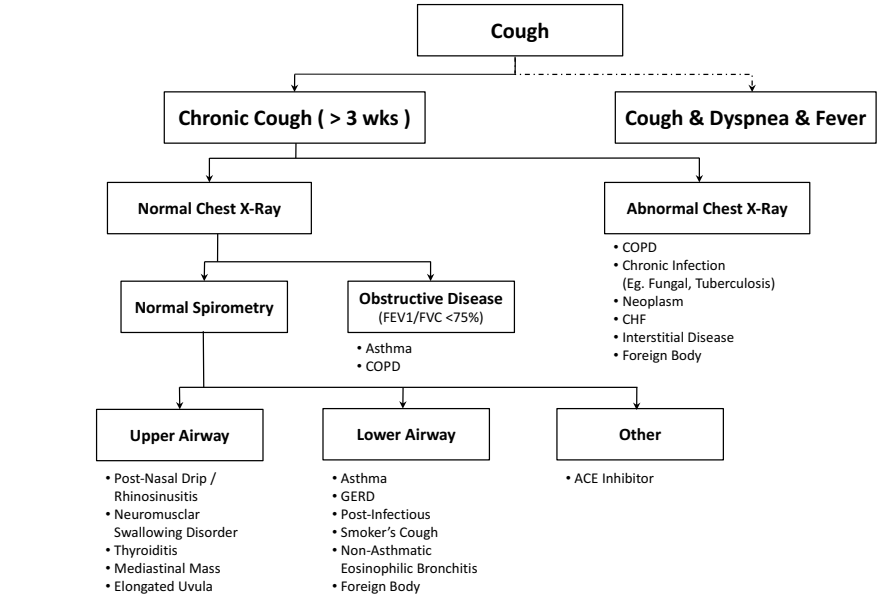
Cough

Chronic



Cough, Dyspnea & Fever

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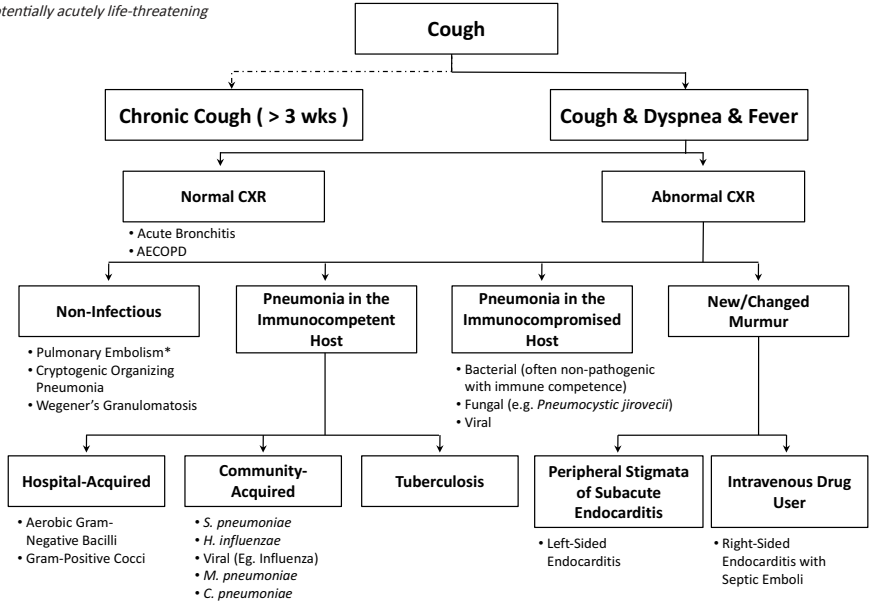
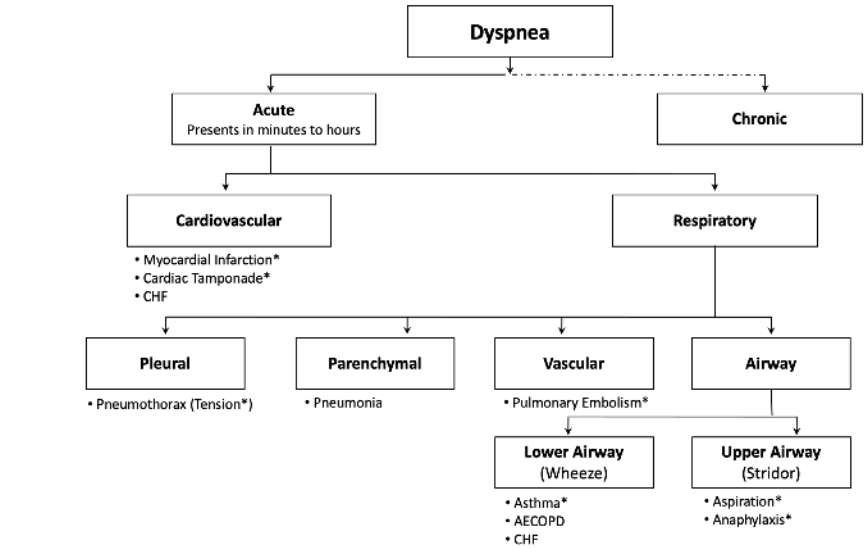


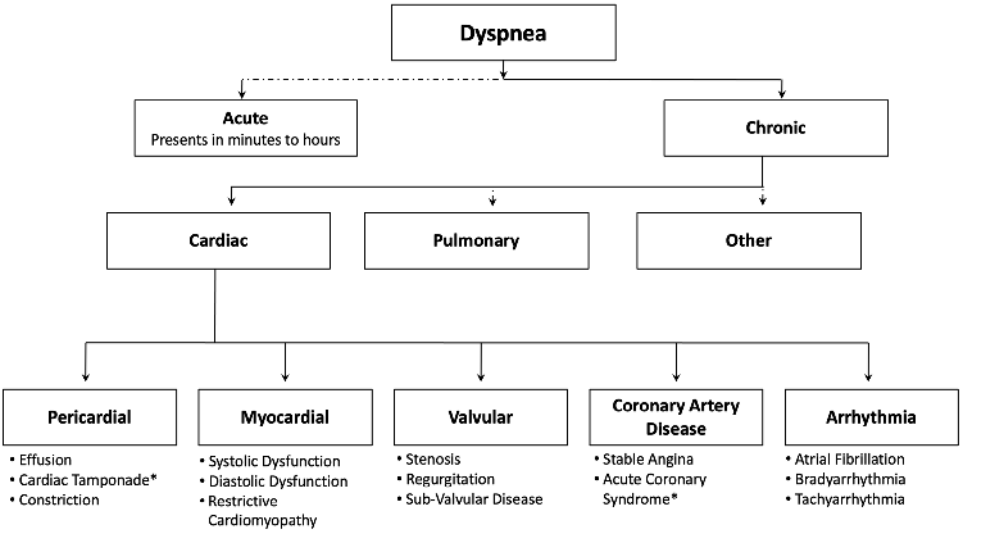
Dyspnea

Acute



Dyspnea Chronic

Cardiac



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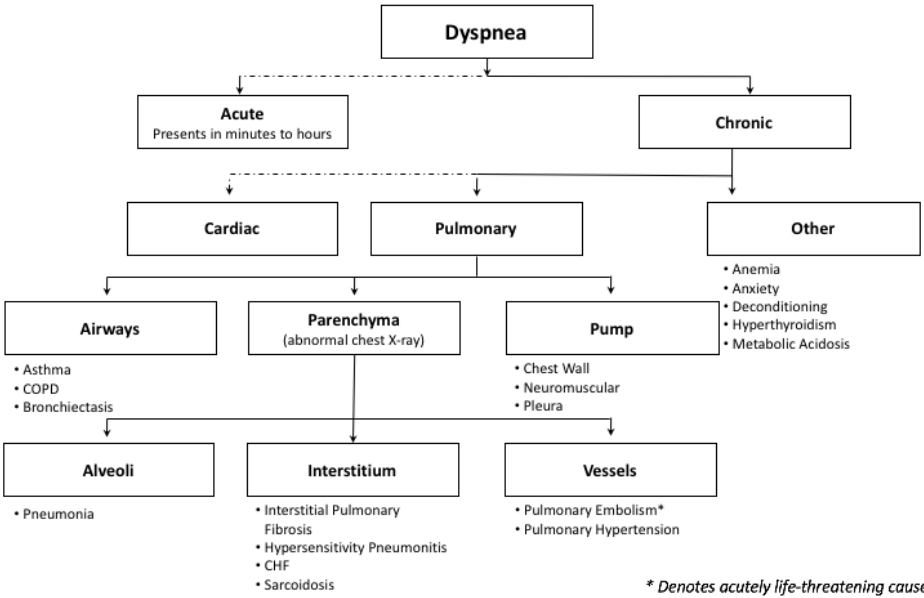
Dyspnea Chronic

Pulmonary / Other



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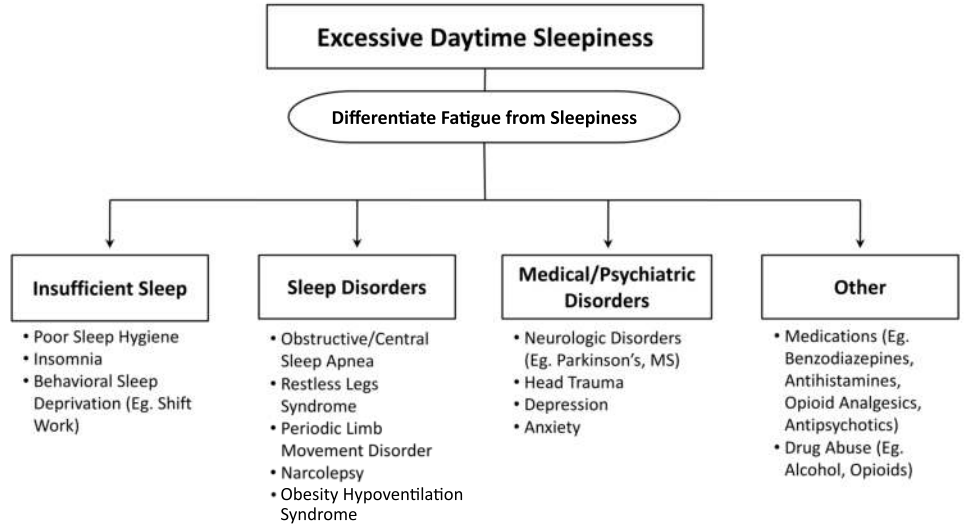

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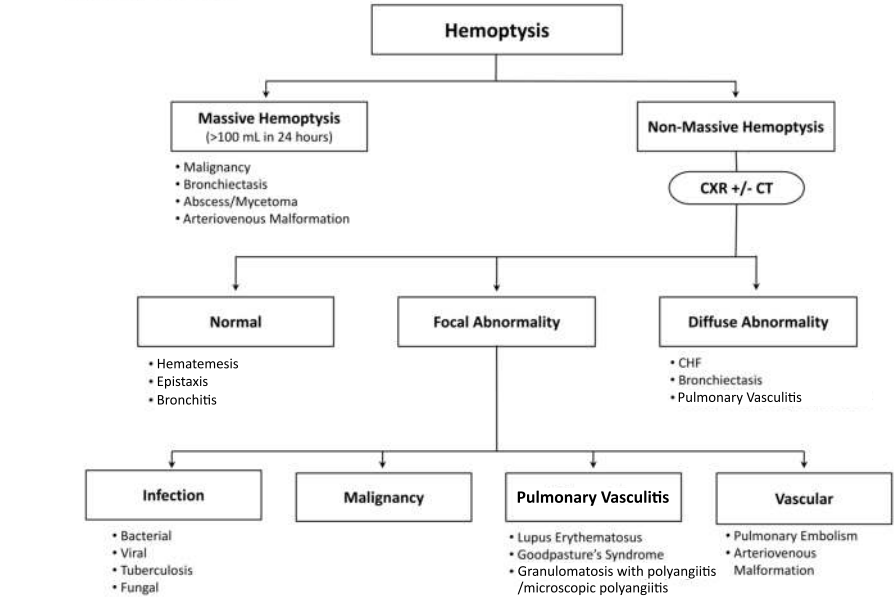

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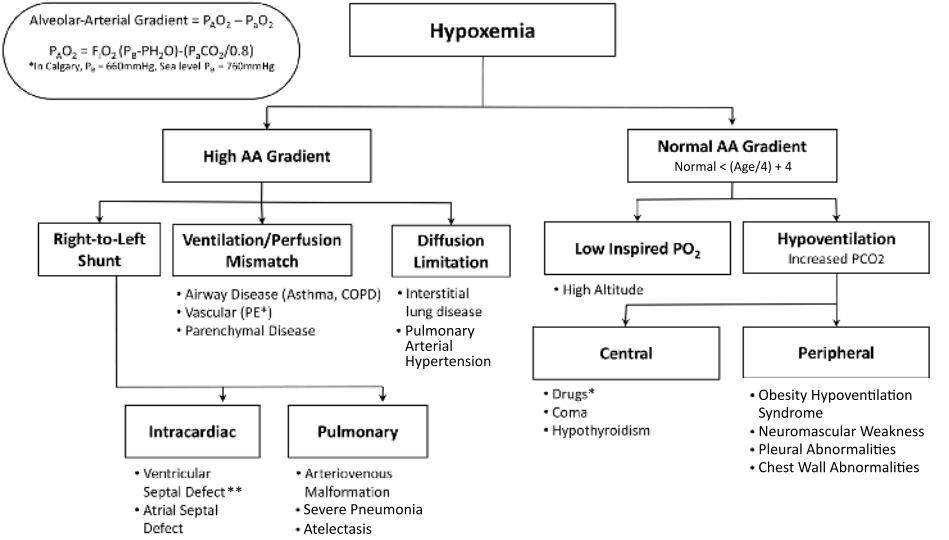

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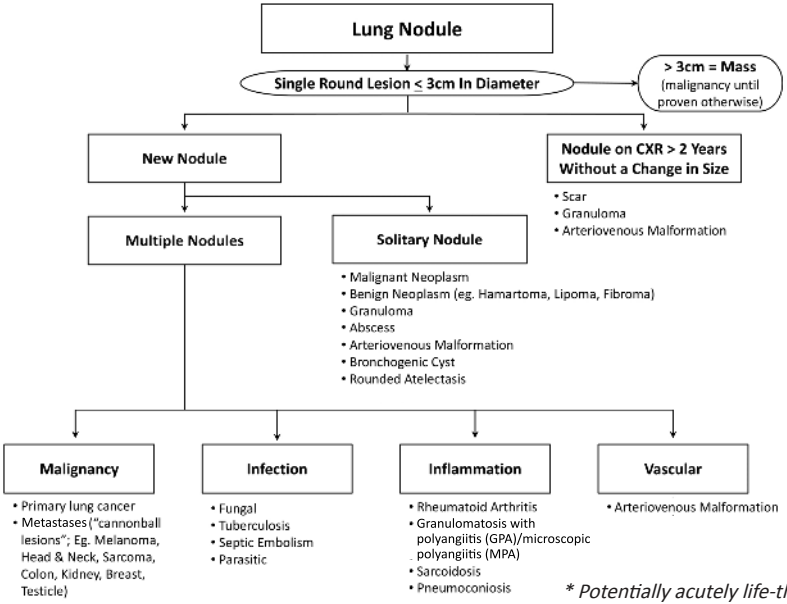
*** VSDs will be a Right-to-left shunt in infancy, become a Left-to-Right shunt in childhood to adulthood, and revert back to a right-to-left shunt when the left ventricle fails in severe disease, contributing to Eisenmenger's Syndrome.*

Lung Nodule



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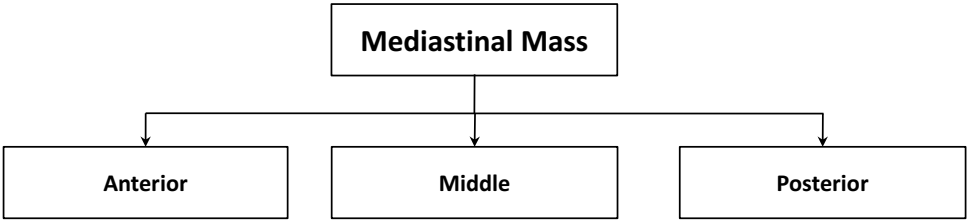
Mediastinal Mass



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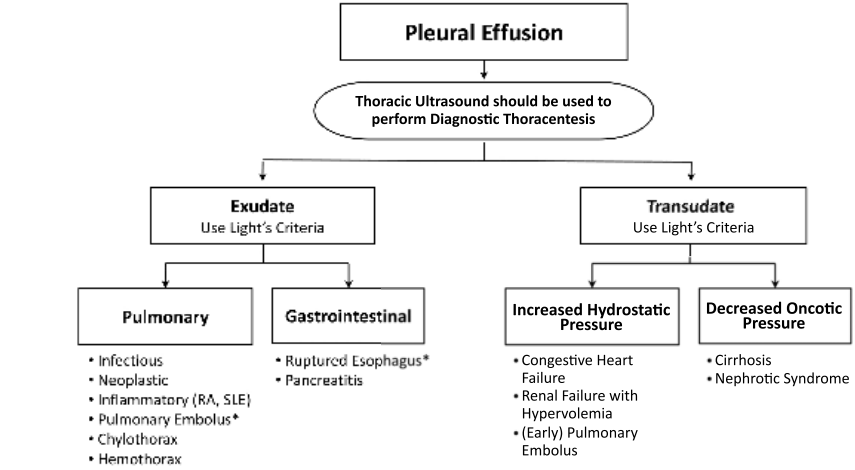

Light's Criteria
Pleural Fluid Protein/Serum Protein > 0.5
Pleural Fluid Lactate Dehydrogenase (LDH)/Serum LDH > 0.6
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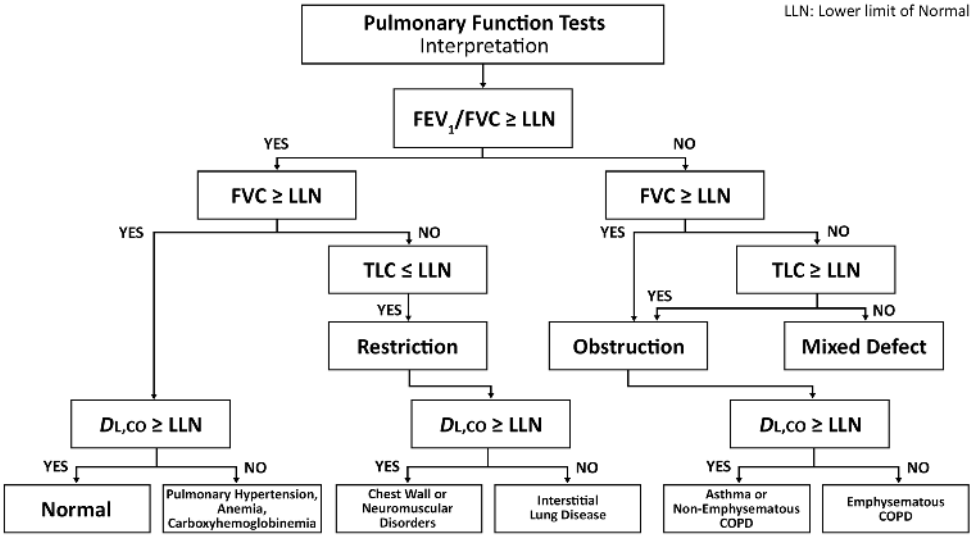
Pulmonary Function Tests

Interpretation



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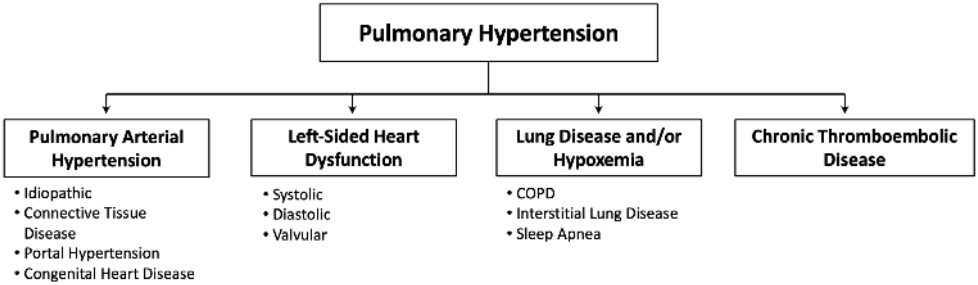

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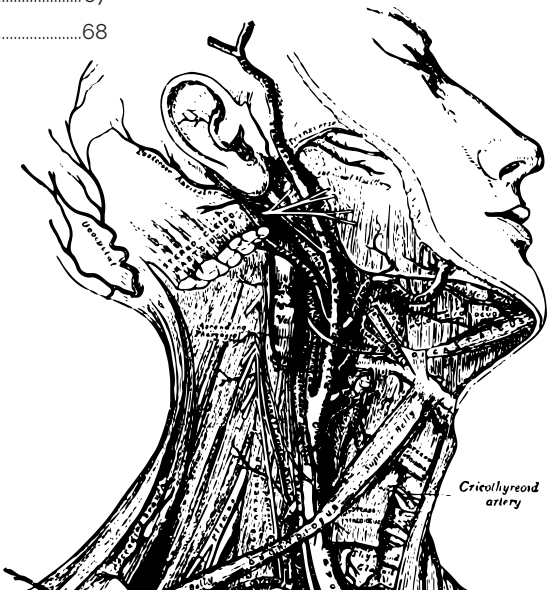

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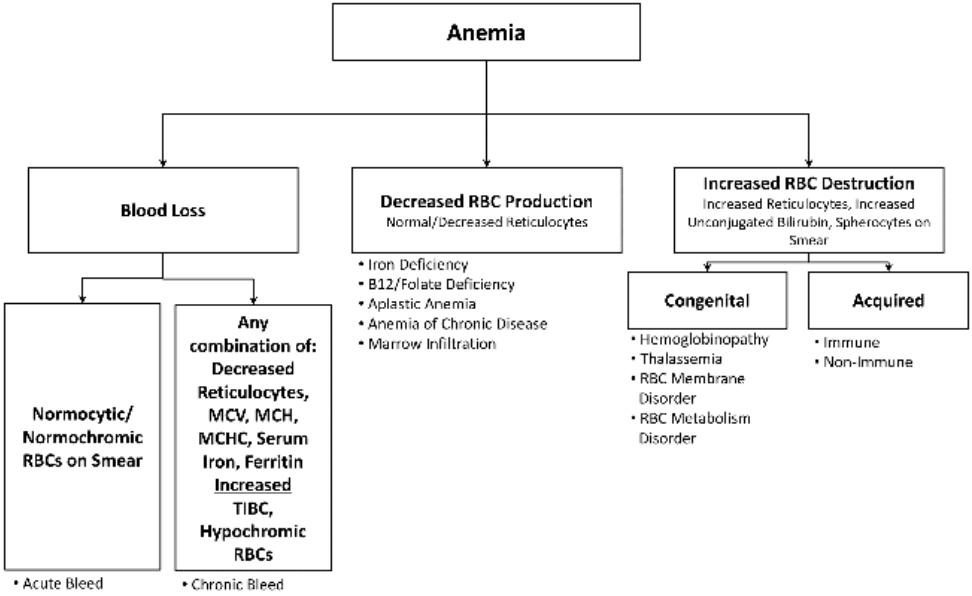

Approach to Anemia

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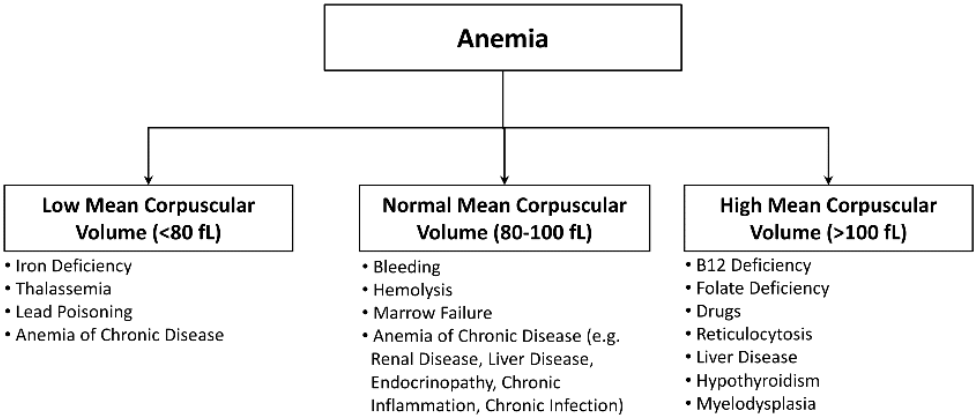

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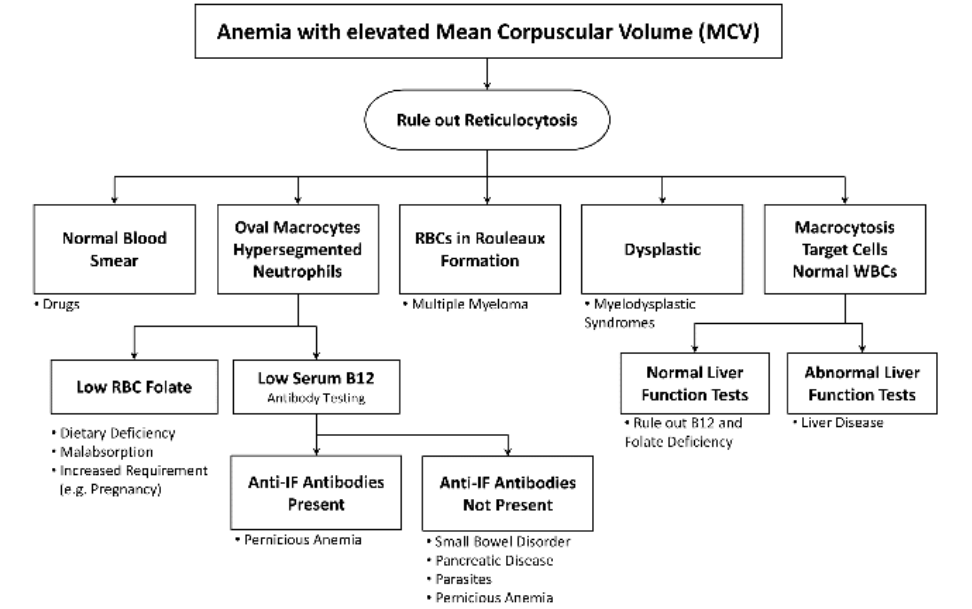

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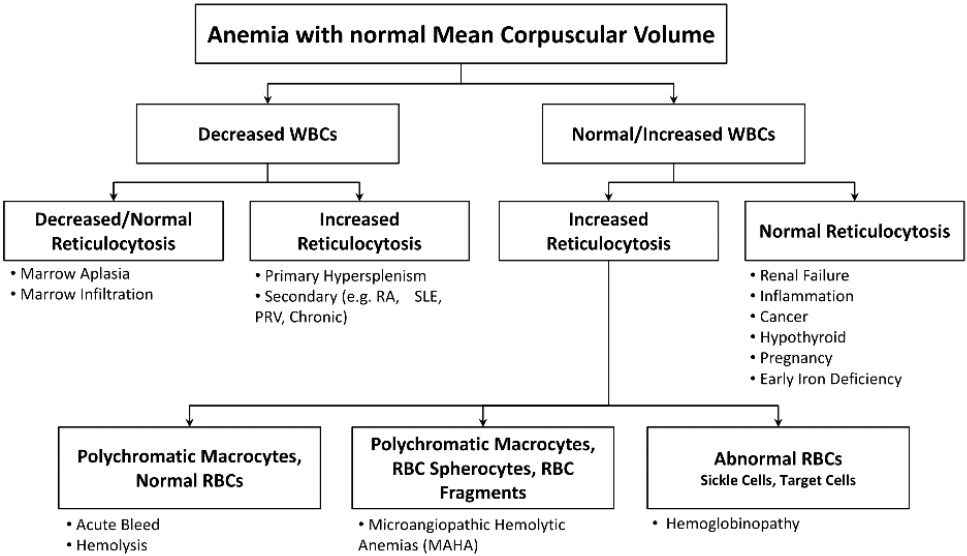

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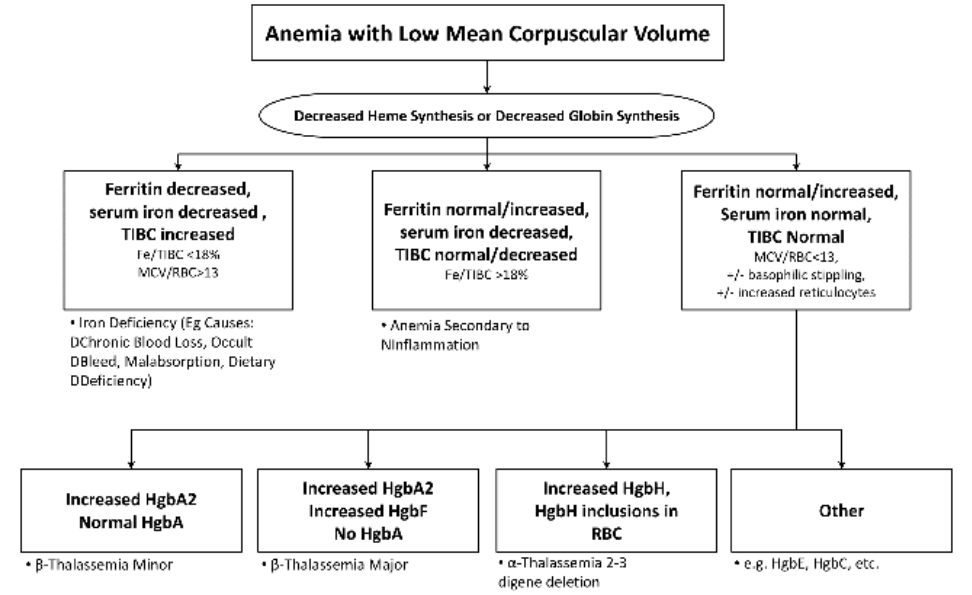
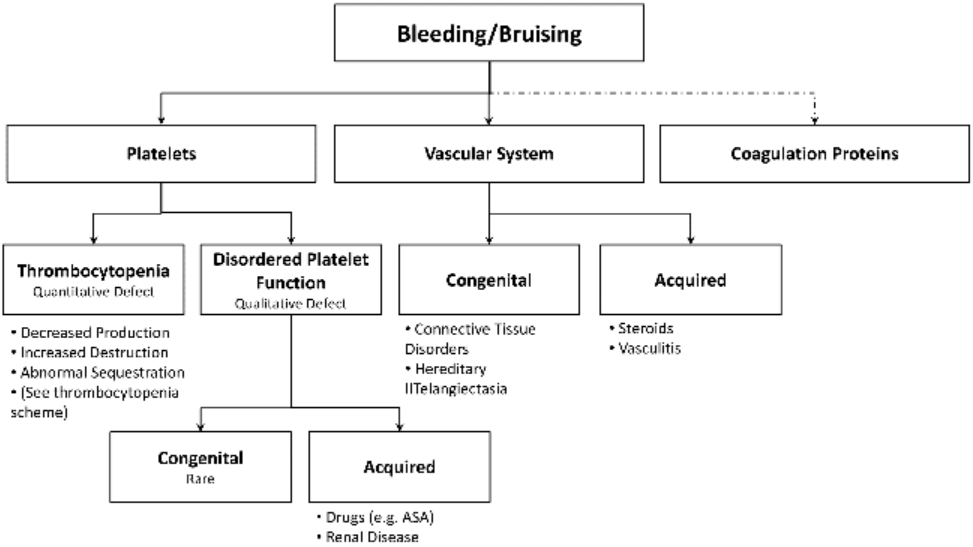


Approach to Bleeding / Bruising

Platelets & Vascular System



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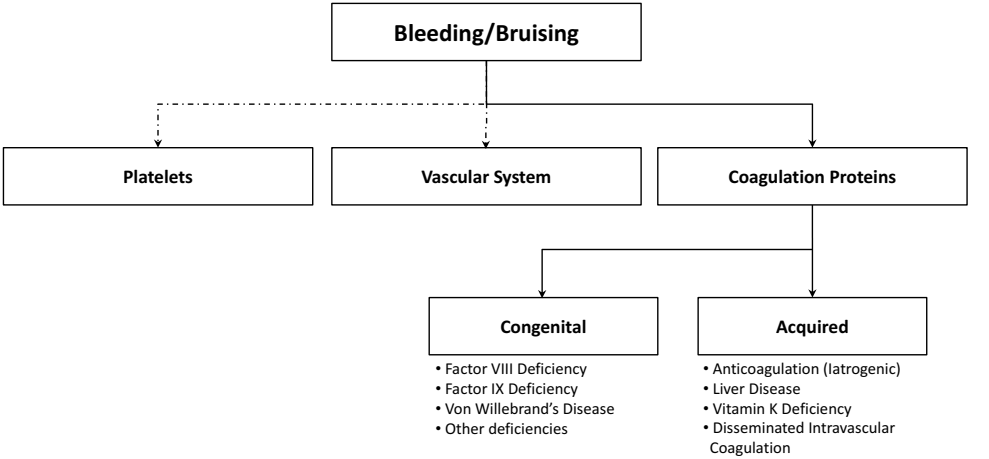

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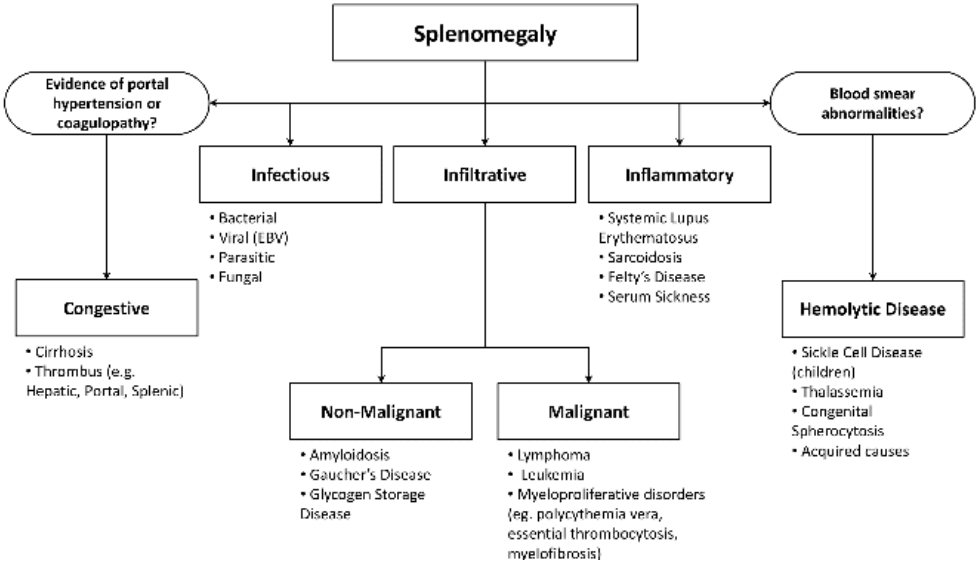

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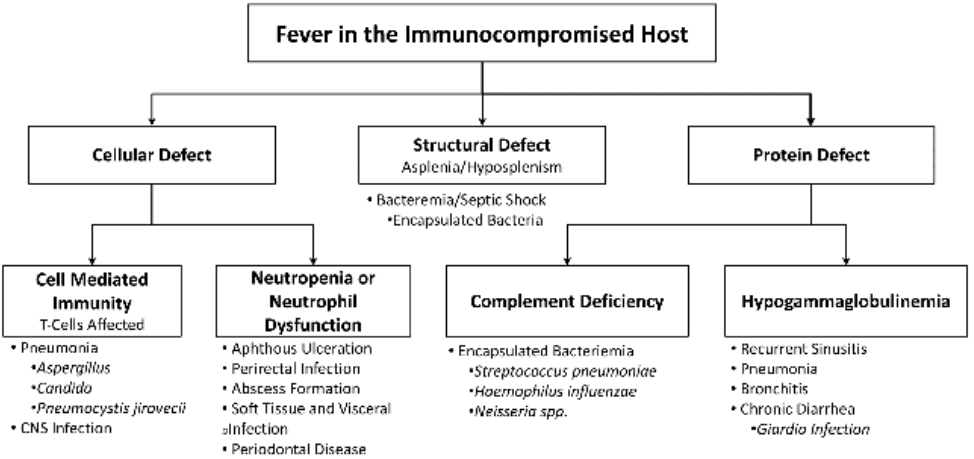

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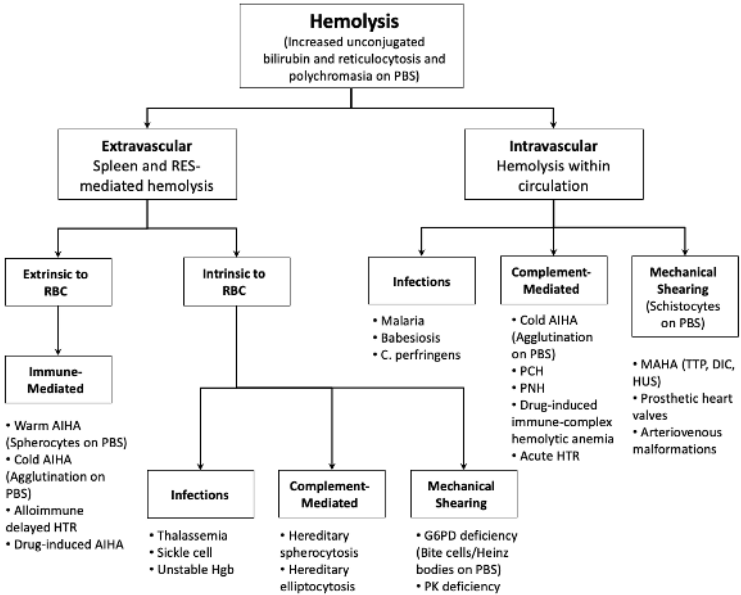

Lymphadenopathy

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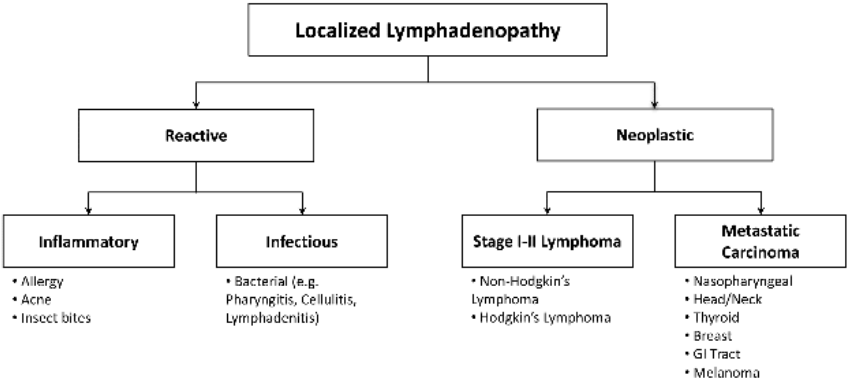
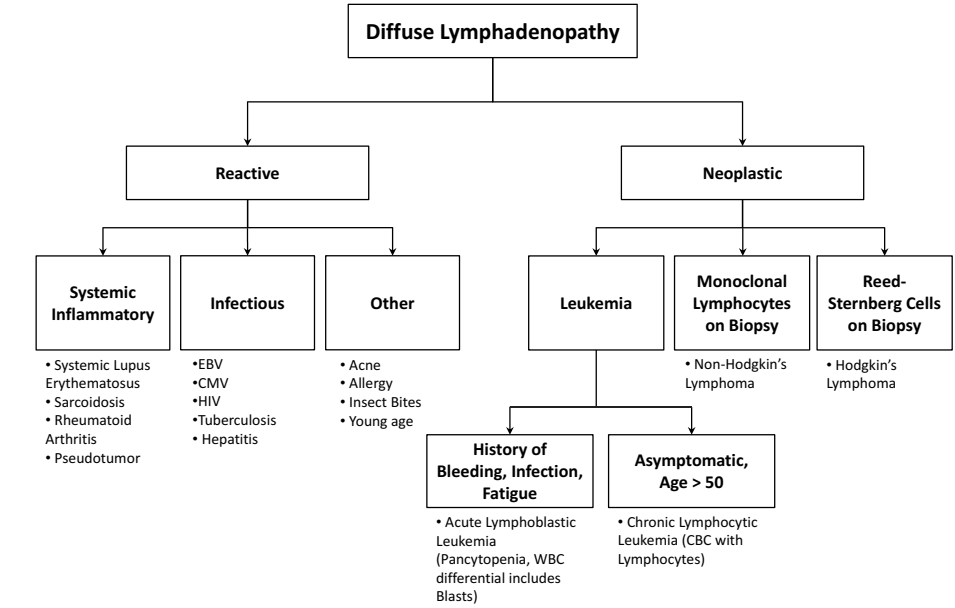


Cervical	Supraclavicular	Axillary	Epitrochlear (Always pathologic)	Inguinal
Anterior • Infection (e.g. Mononucleosis, Toxoplasmosis) Posterior • TB • Lymphoma • Kikuchi Disease • Head/Neck Malignancy	• Thoracic Malignancy (Breast, Mediastinum, Lungs, Esophagus) • Abdominal Malignancy (Virchow's Node)	• Infection (Arm, Thoracic Wall, Breast) • Cancer (in absence of infection in upper extremity)	• Infection (Forearm/Hand) • Lymphoma • Sarcoidosis • Tularemia • Secondary Syphilis	• Leg Infection • Sexually Transmitted Infection • Cancer

Lymphadenopathy

Diffuse



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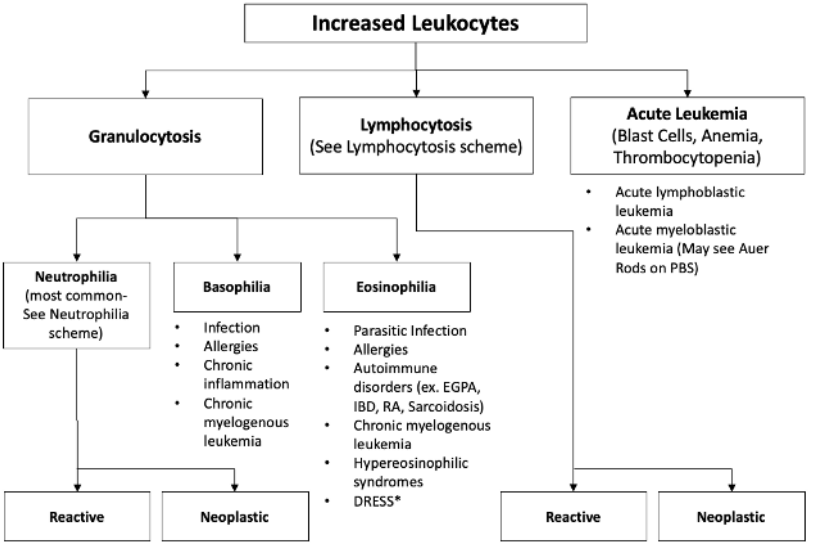

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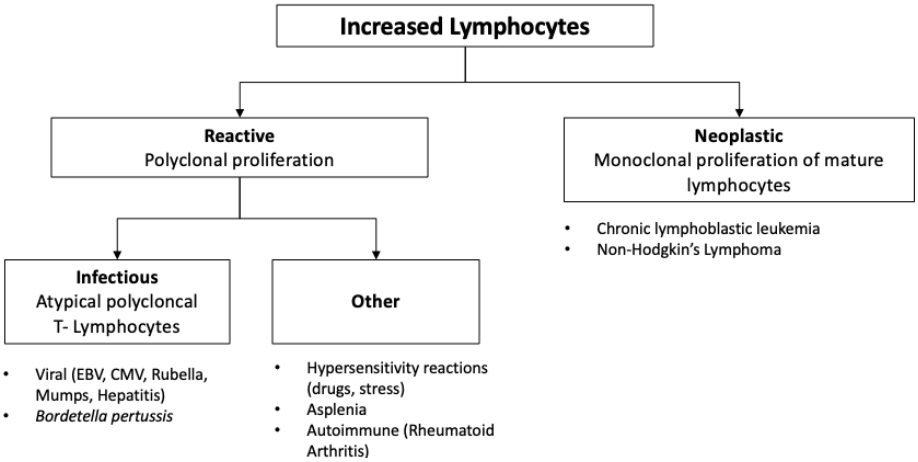

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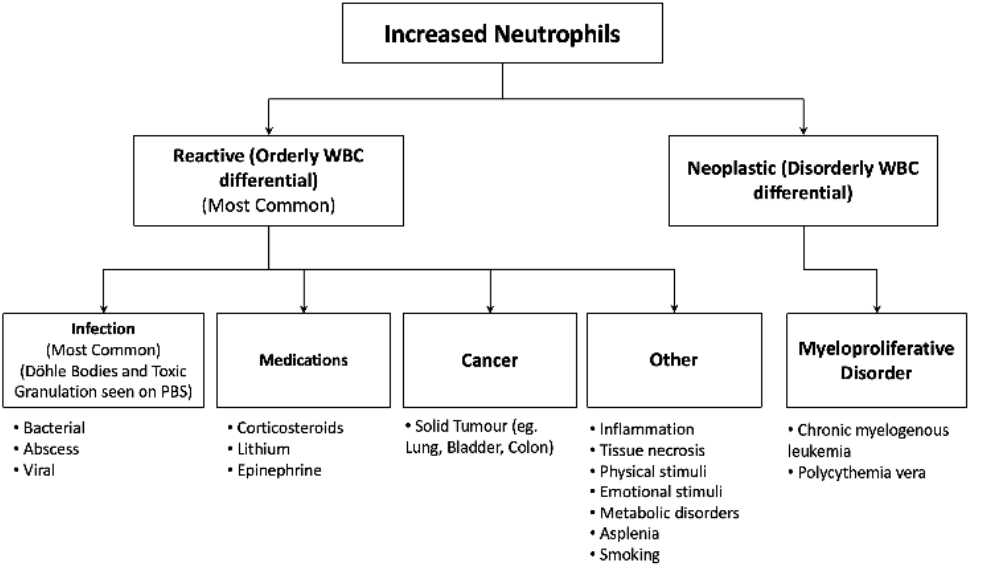

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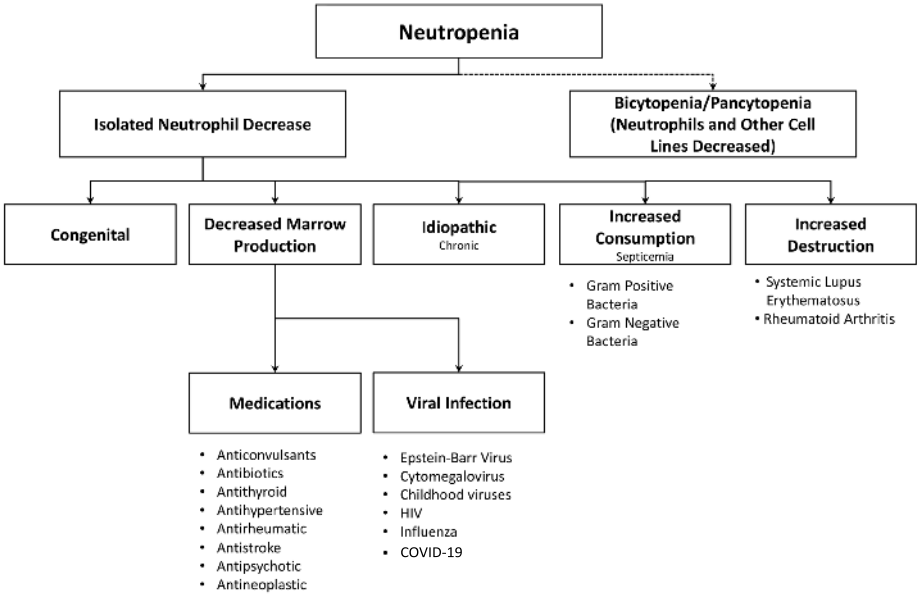
Decreased Neutrophils Only



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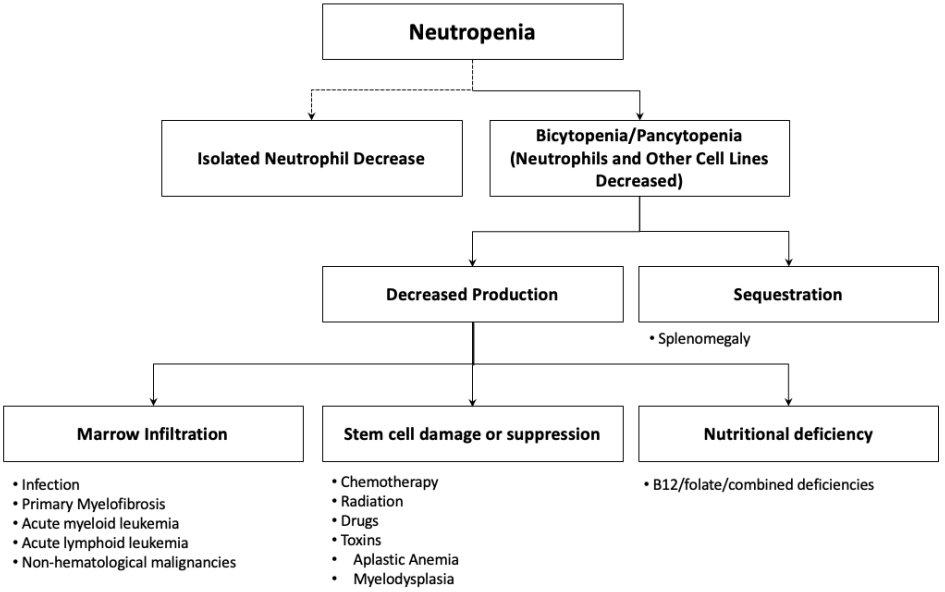
Bicytopenia / Pancytopenia



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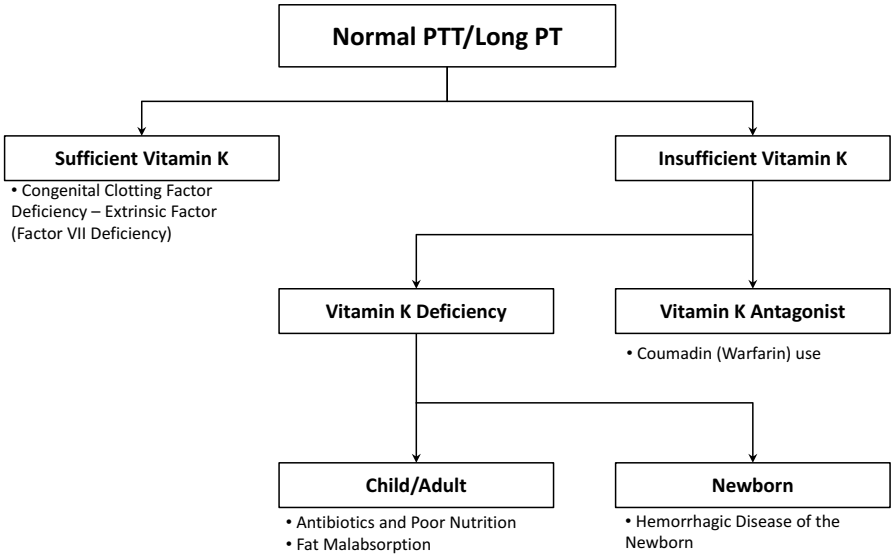
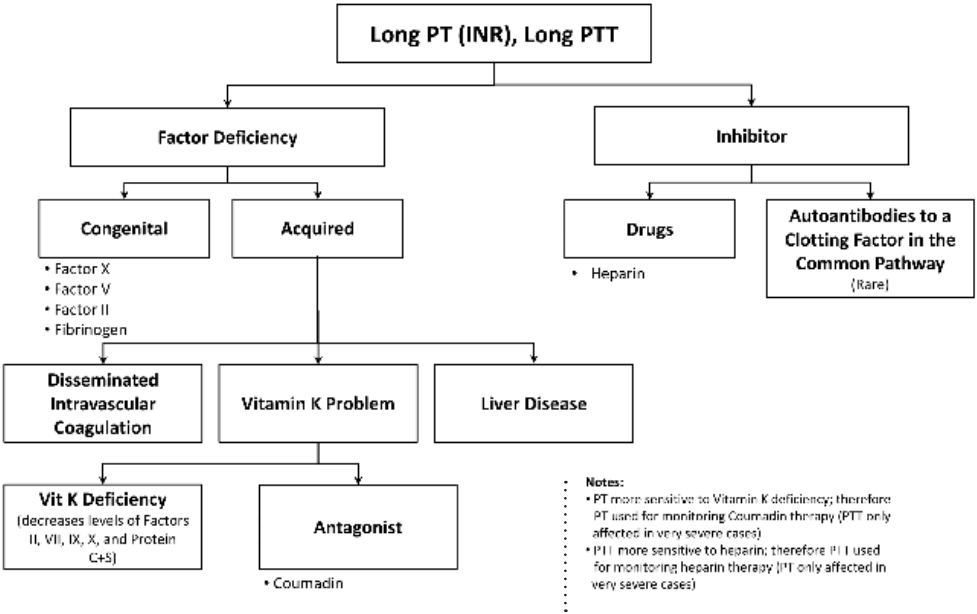


Approach to Prolonged PT (INR), Prolonged PTT



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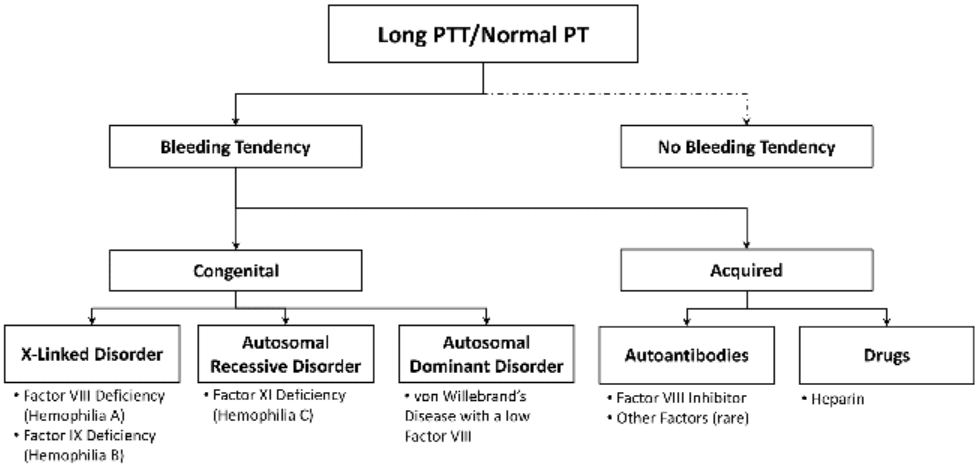
Bleeding Tendency



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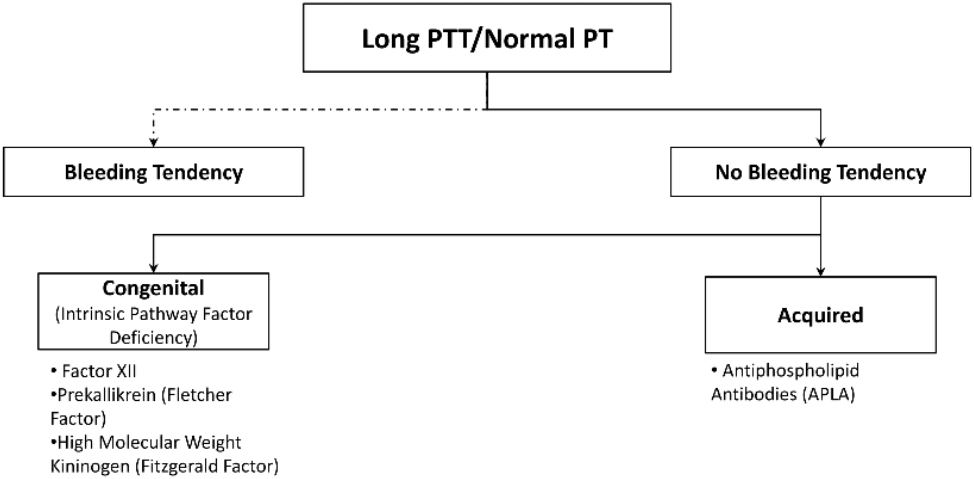
No Bleeding Tendency



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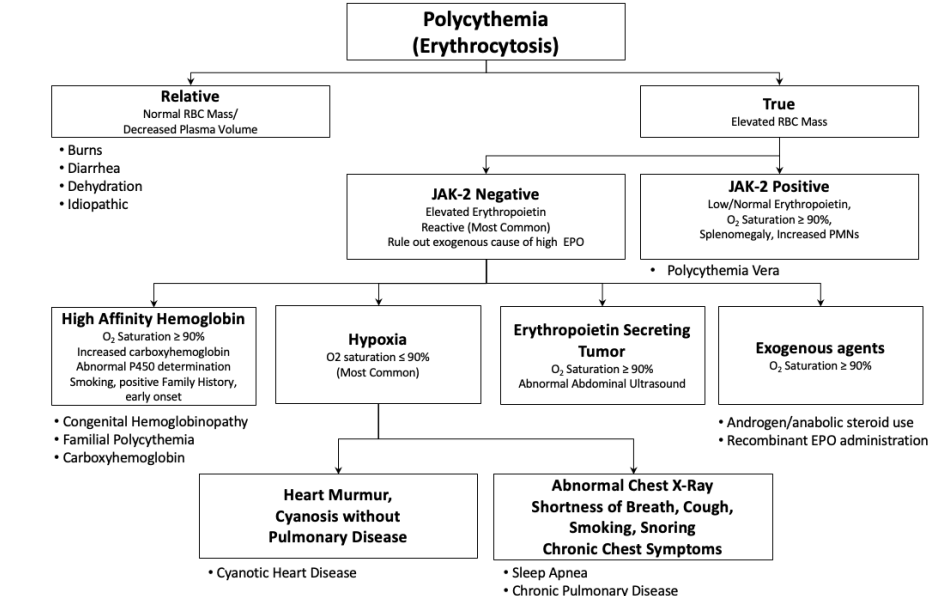
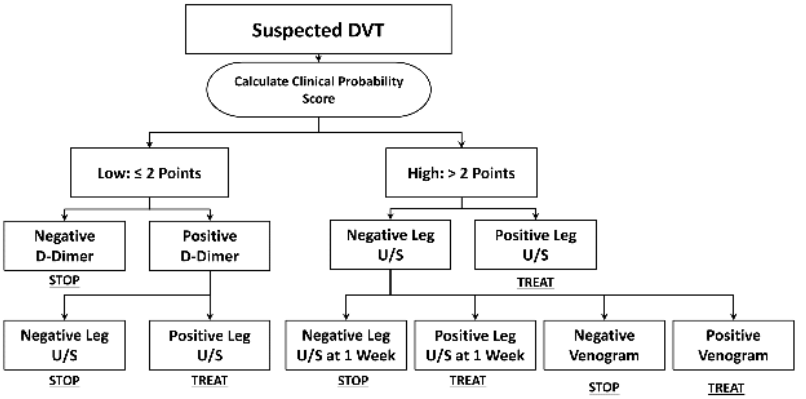


Suspected Deep Vein Thrombosis (DVT)



Well's Criteria for DVT

Active Cancer	(1)		
Paralysis, paresis, recent immobilization of lower extremity			(1)
Recently bedridden for >3days, or major surgery in last 4 weeks			(1)
Localized tenderness along distribution of the deep venous system			(1)
Entire leg swollen	(1)		
Calf swelling by >3cm compared to asymptomatic leg		(1)	
Pitting edema (greater in symptomatic leg)	(1)		
Collateral, nonvaricose superficial veins	(1)		
Alternative diagnosis as or more likely than DVT		(-2)	

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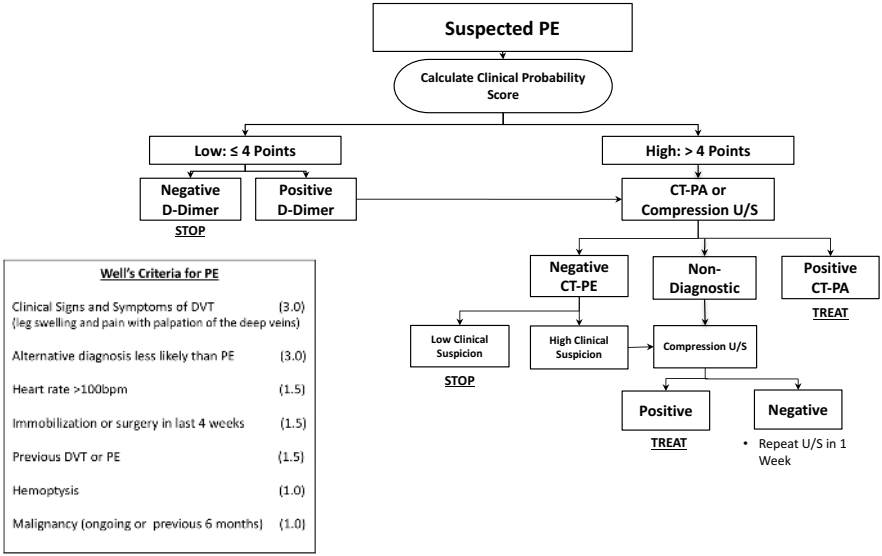
Suspected Pulmonary Embolism (PE)



Well's Criteria for PE

Clinical Signs and Symptoms of DVT (leg swelling and pain with palpation of the deep veins)	(3.0)
Alternative diagnosis less likely than PE	(3.0)
Heart rate >100bpm	(1.5)
Immobilization or surgery in last 4 weeks	(1.5)
Previous DVT or PE	(1.5)
Hemoptysis	(1.0)
Malignancy (ongoing or previous 6 months)	(1.0)

Wells P.S, et al. (2000). Derivation of a simple clinical model to categorize patients probability of pulmonary embolism: increasing the models utility with the SimpliRED D-dimer. Thromb Haemost 2003; 83: 416-20.
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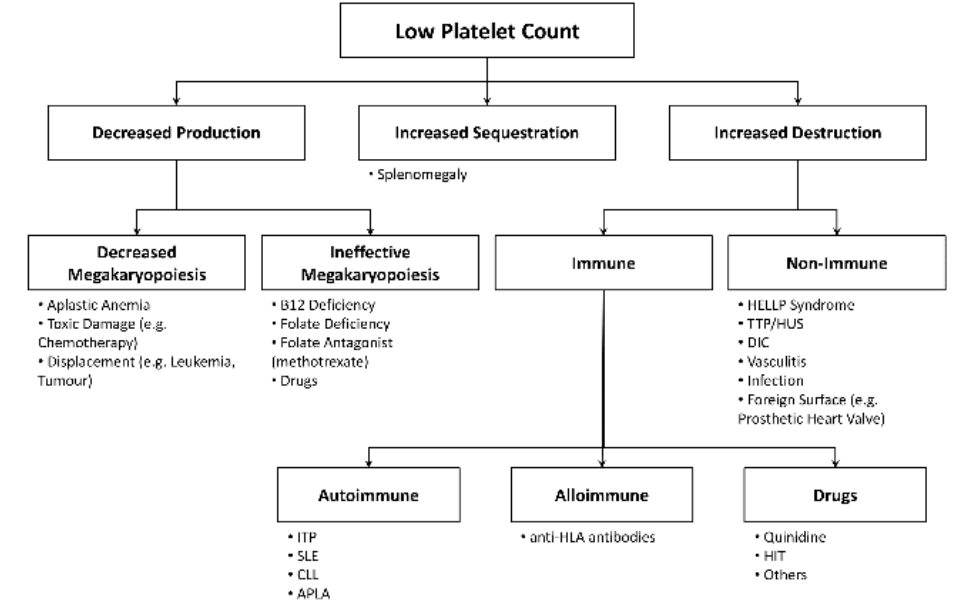

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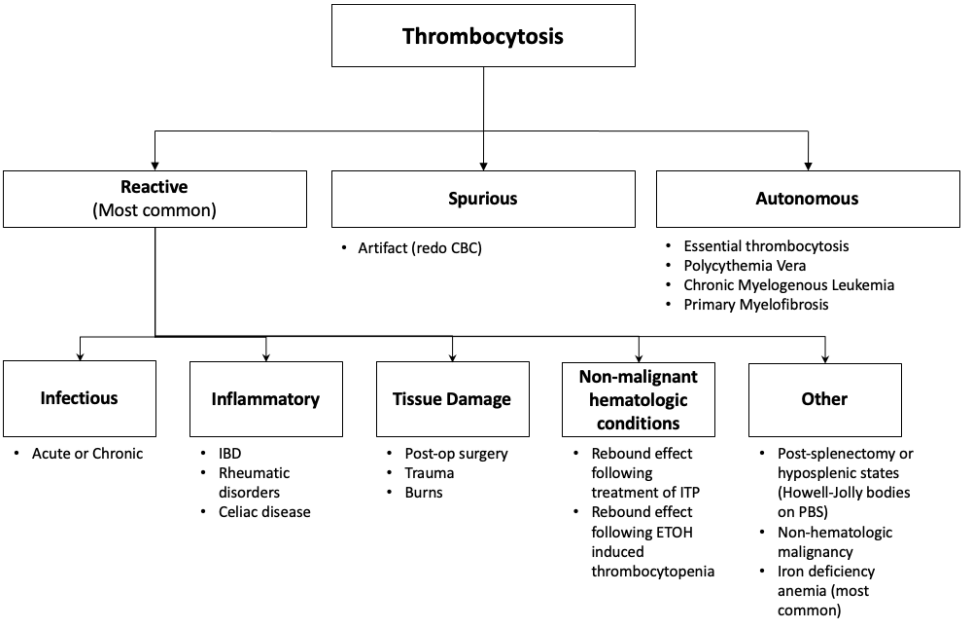

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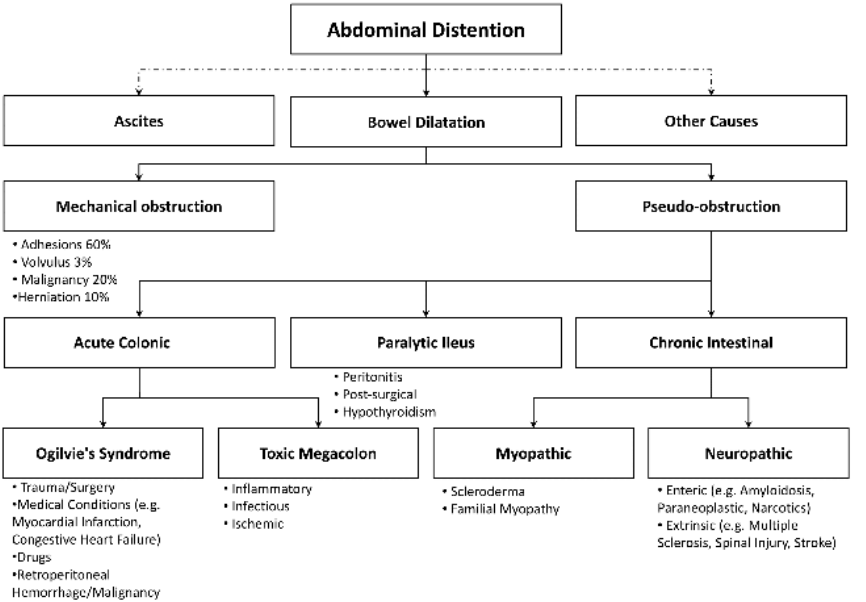

Abdominal Distention

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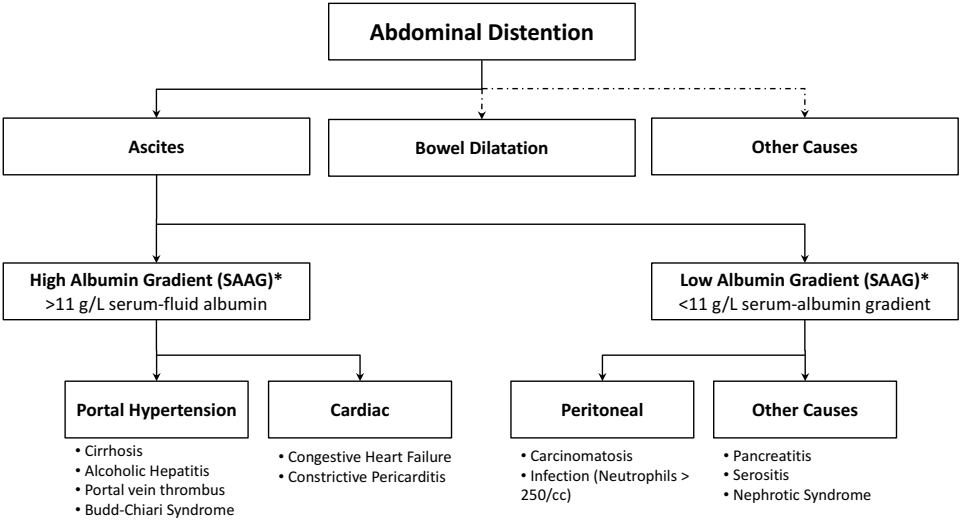
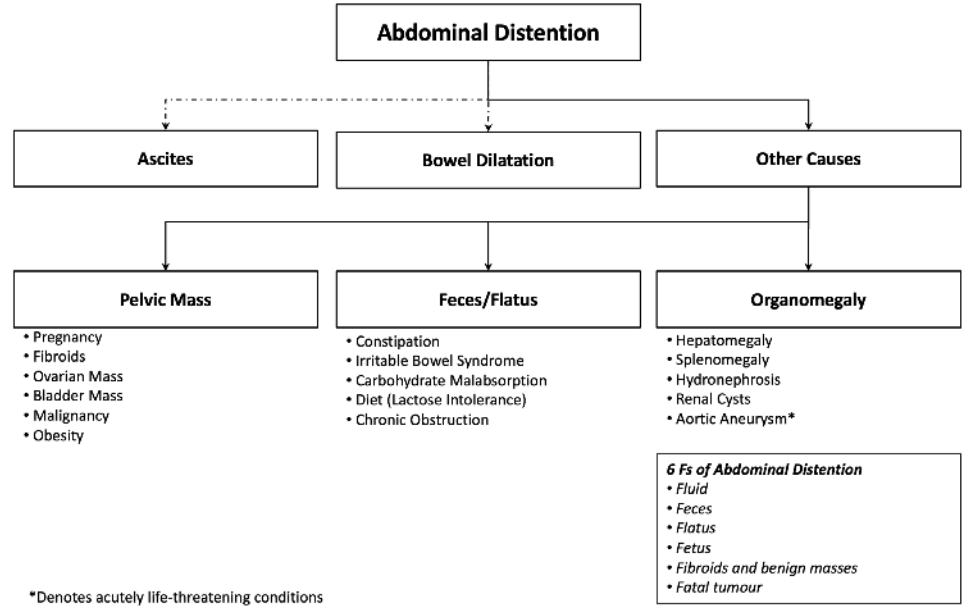


Clinical pearl: "rule of 97": SAAG 97% accurate. If high SAAG, 97% of time it is cirrhosis/portal hypertension. If low SAAG, 97% time carcinomatosis (and cytology 97% sensitive)

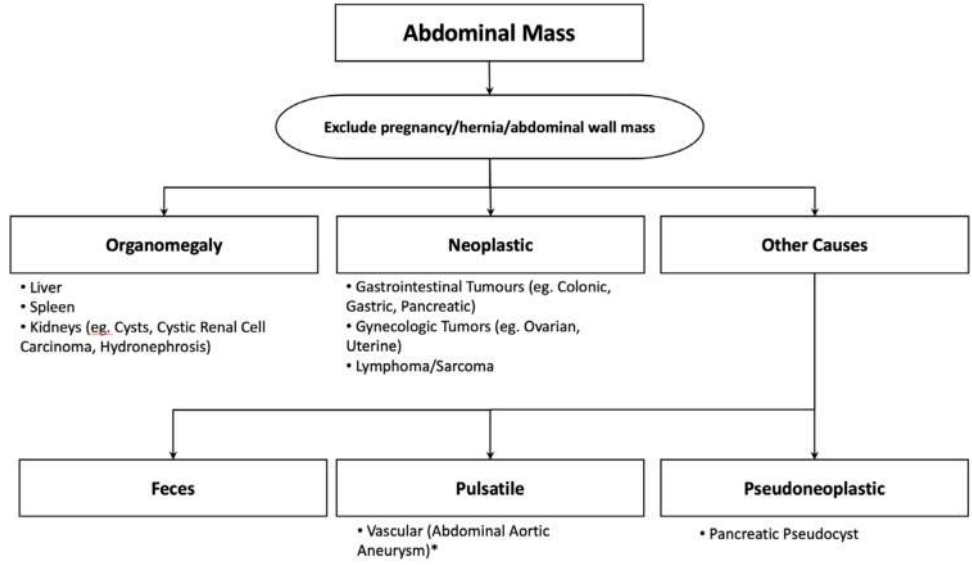
*Serum Ascites Albumin Gradient (SAAG) = [Serum albumin] – [Peritoneal fluid albumin]

Abdominal Distention

Other Causes



Abdominal Mass



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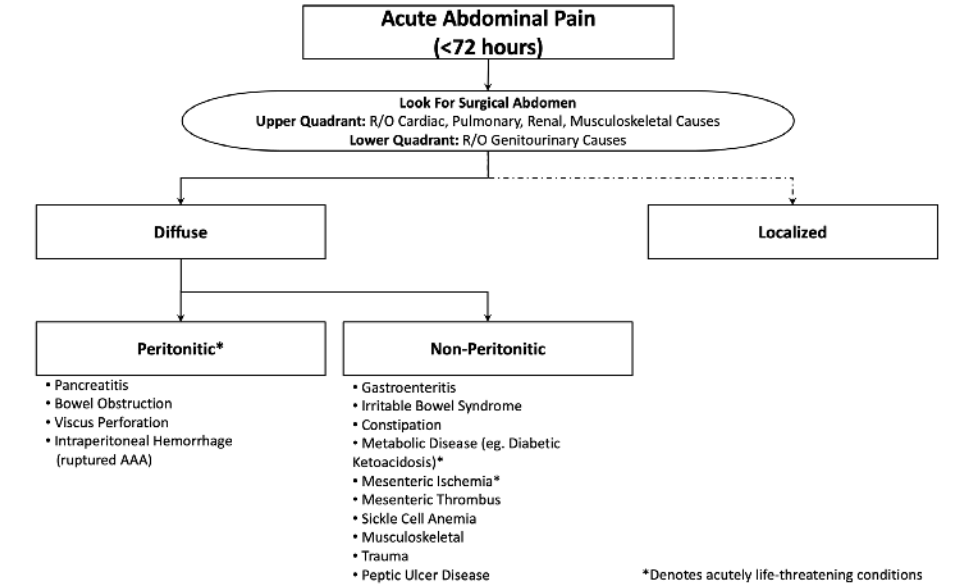
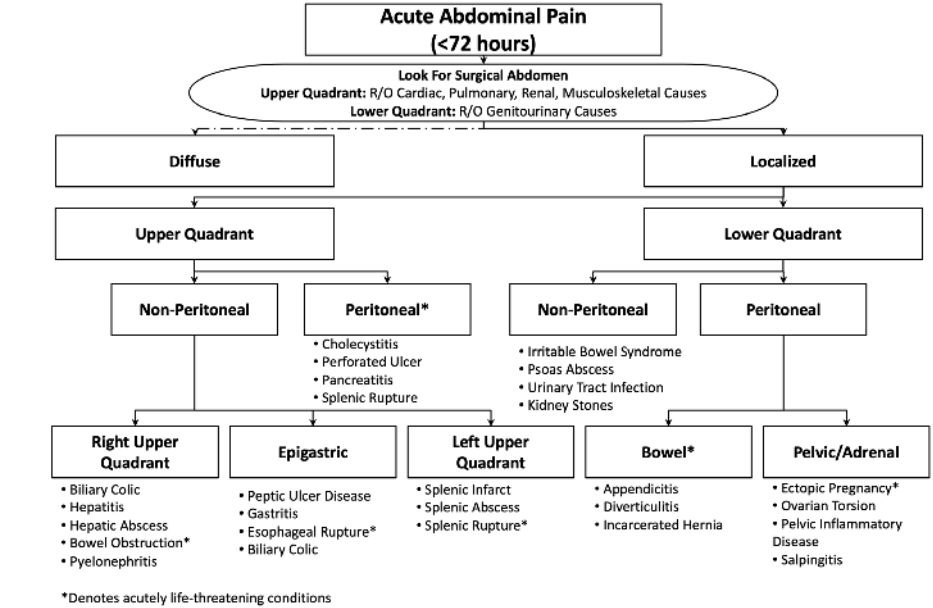
Abdominal Pain (Adult)

Acute - Diffuse



Abdominal Pain (Adult)

Acute - Localized



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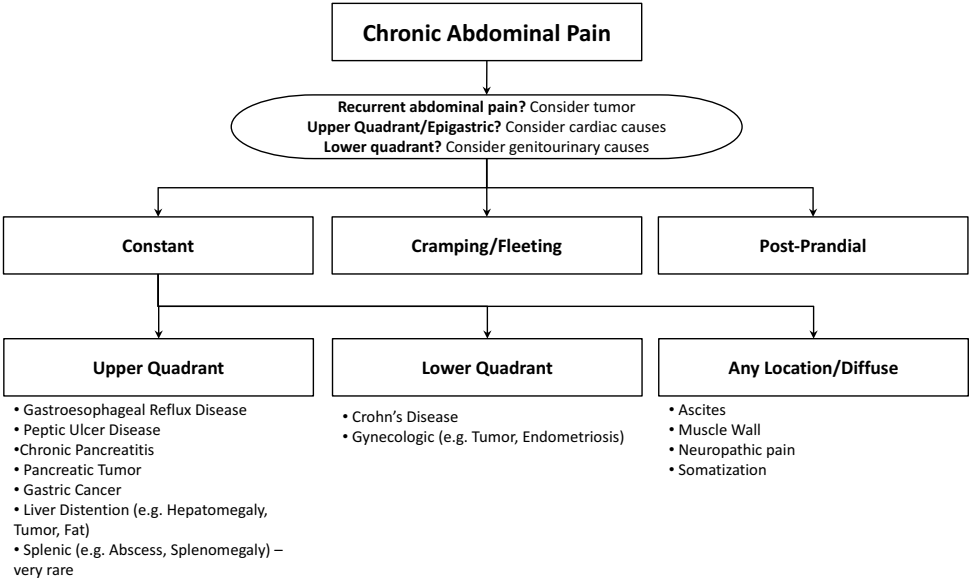
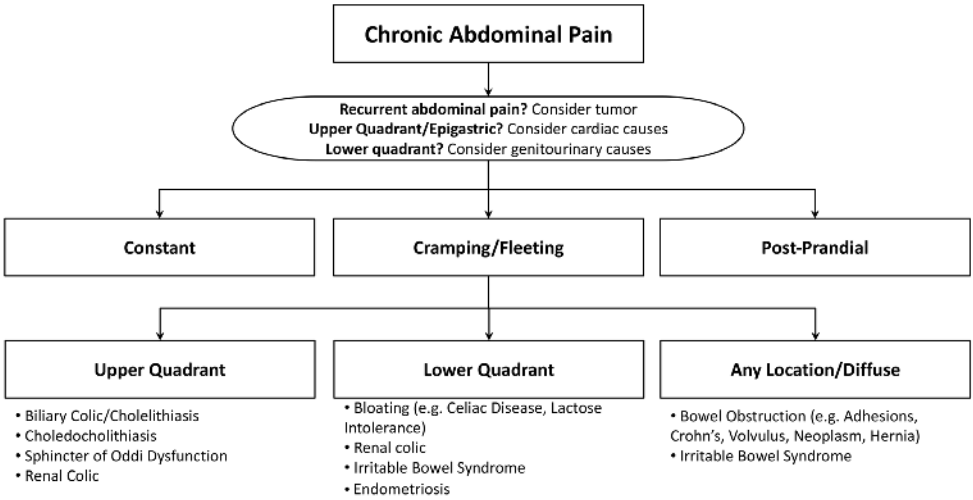
Abdominal Pain (Adult)

Chronic - Constant



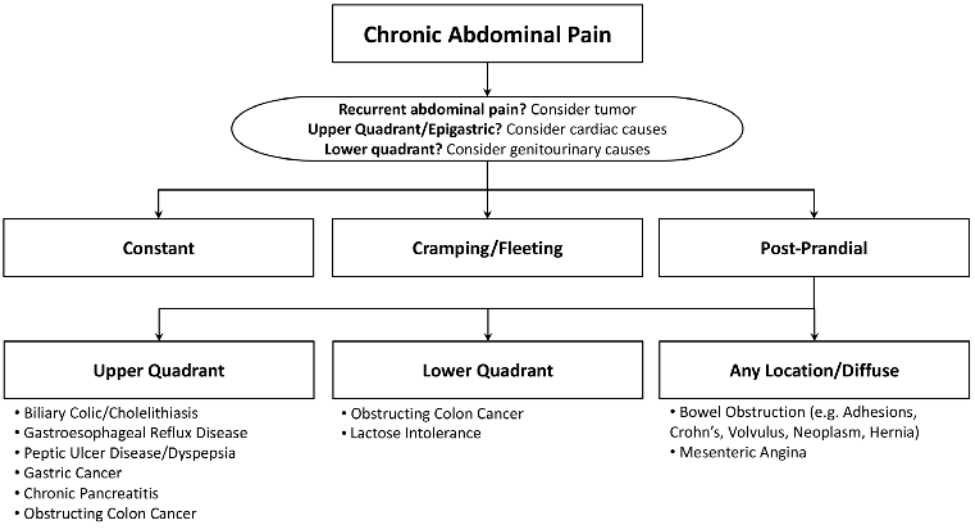
Abdominal Pain (Adult)

Chronic - Crampy / Fleeting



Abdominal Pain (Adult)

Chronic - Post-Prandial



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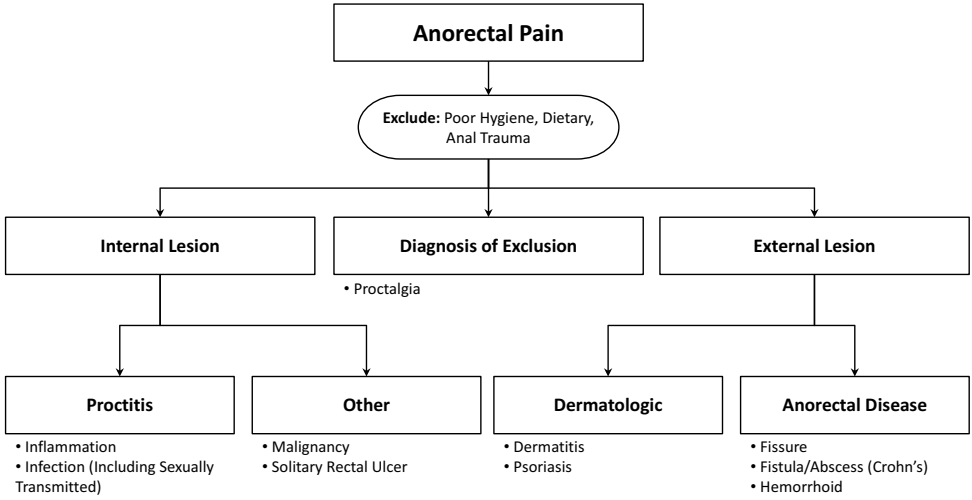
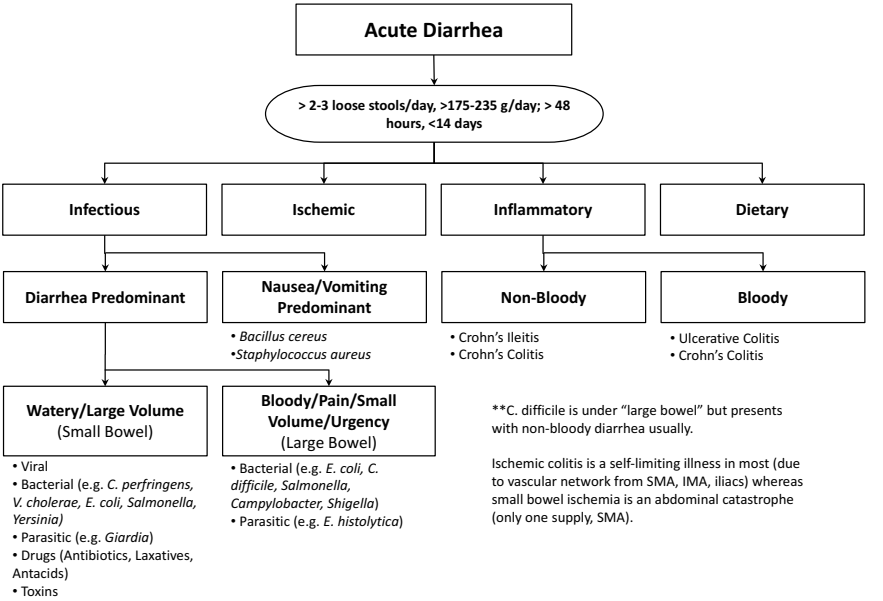


Acute Diarrhea

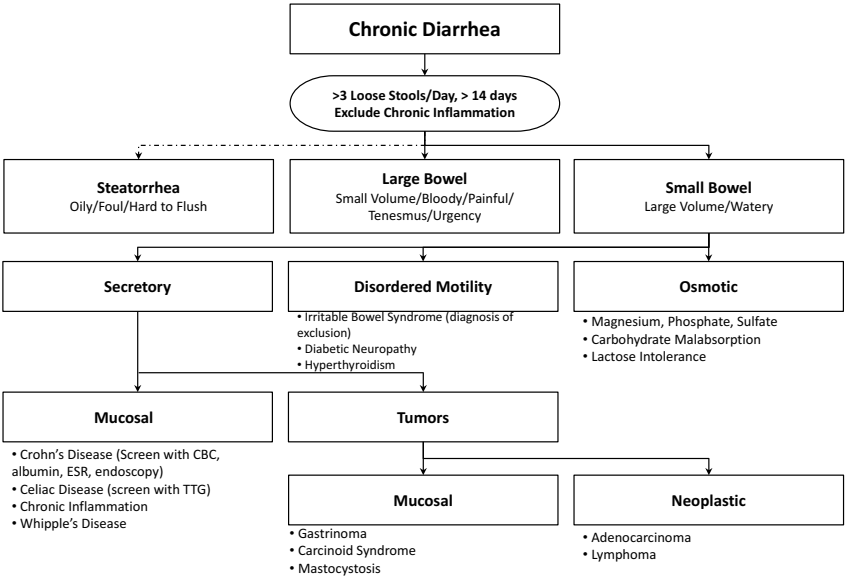


**C. difficile is under "large bowel" but presents with non-bloody diarrhea usually.

Ischemic colitis is a self-limiting illness in most (due to vascular network from SMA, IMA, iliacs) whereas small bowel ischemia is an abdominal catastrophe (only one supply, SMA).

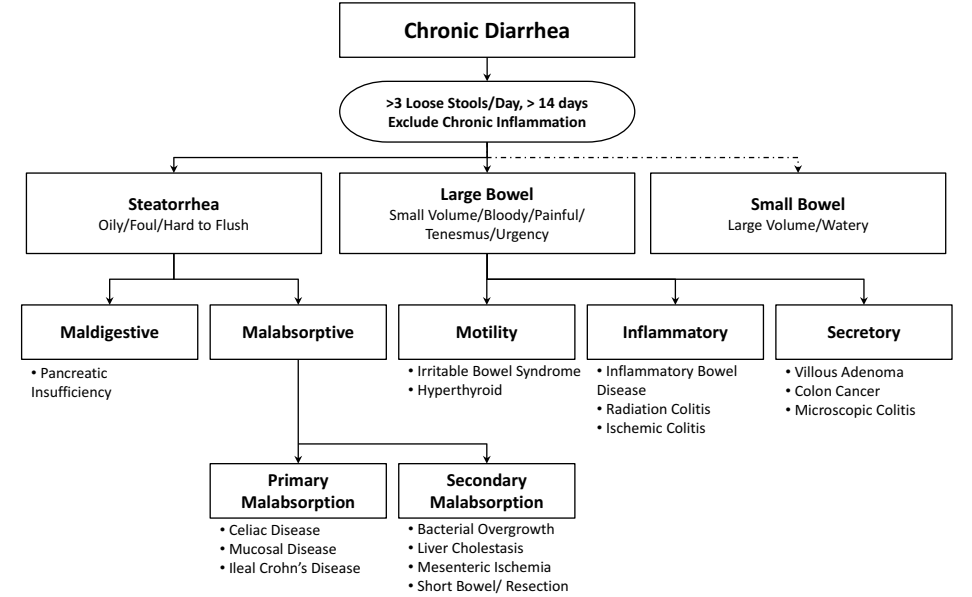
Chronic Diarrhea

Small Bowel



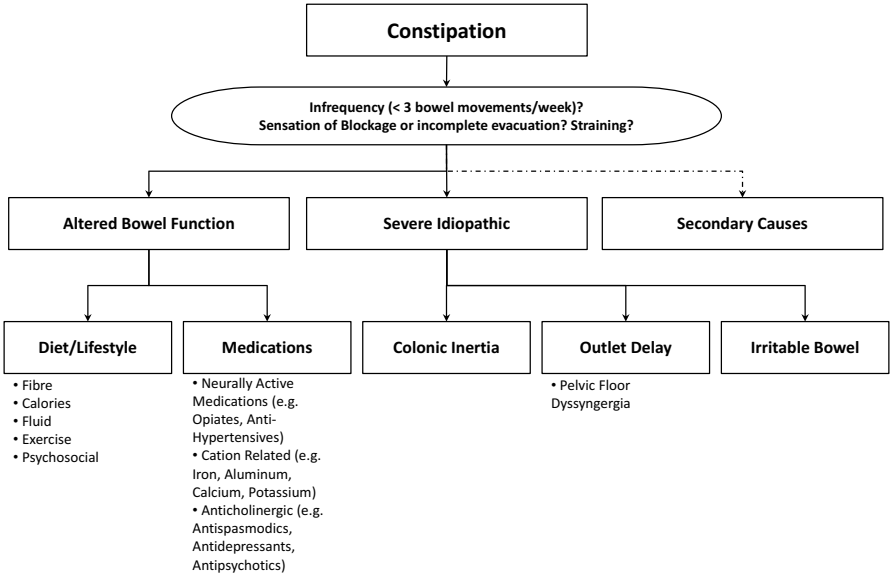
Chronic Diarrhea

Steatorrhea & Large Bowel



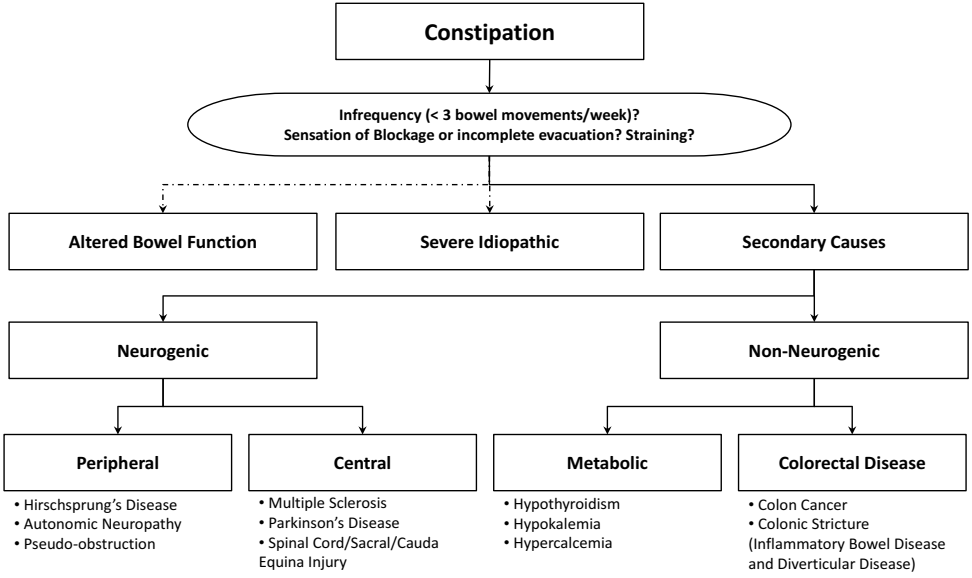
Constipation (Adult)

Altered Bowel Function & Idiopathic



Constipation (Adult)

Secondary Causes



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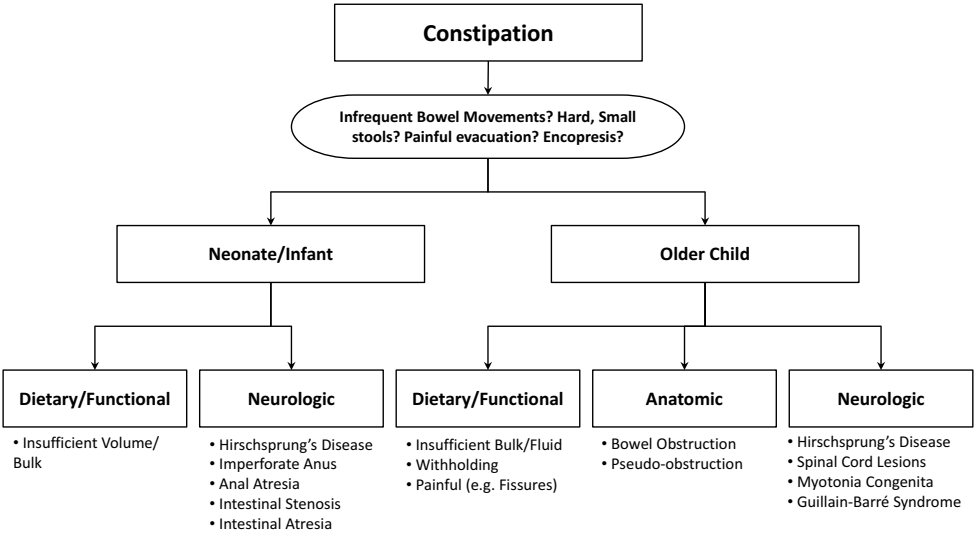

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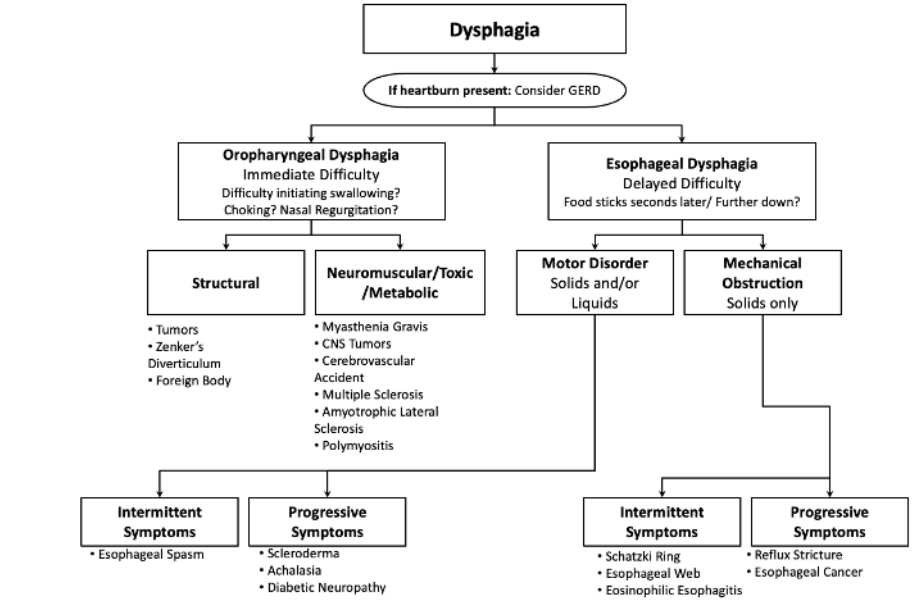

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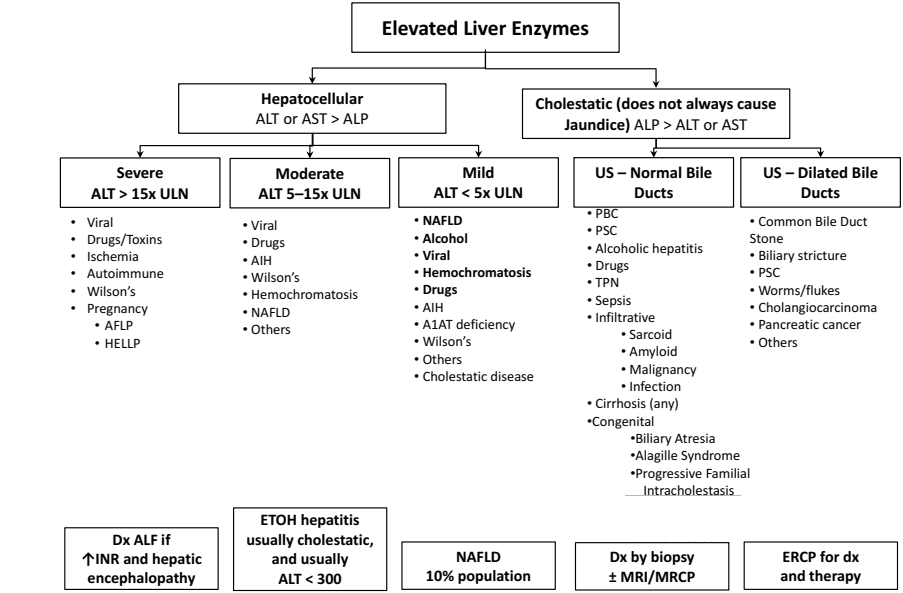

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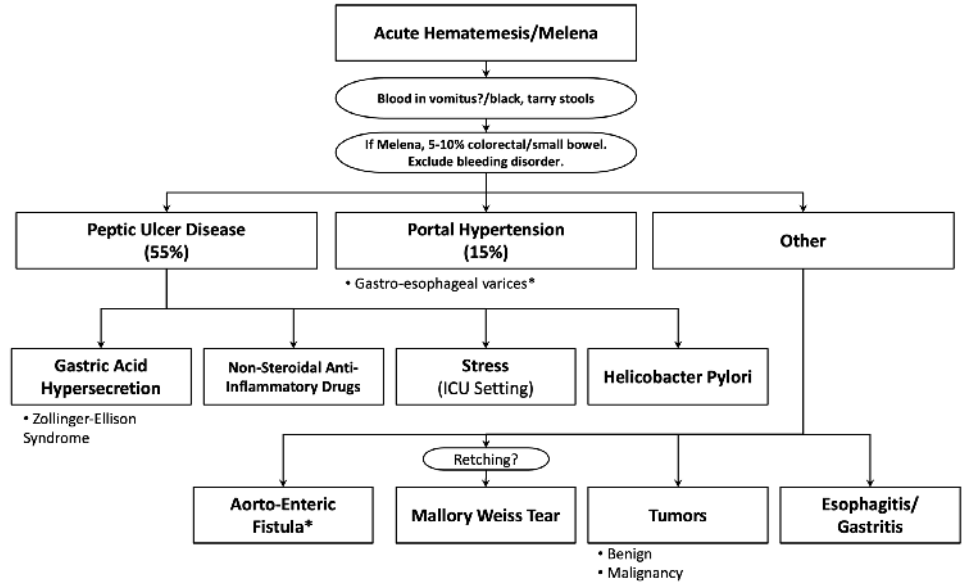

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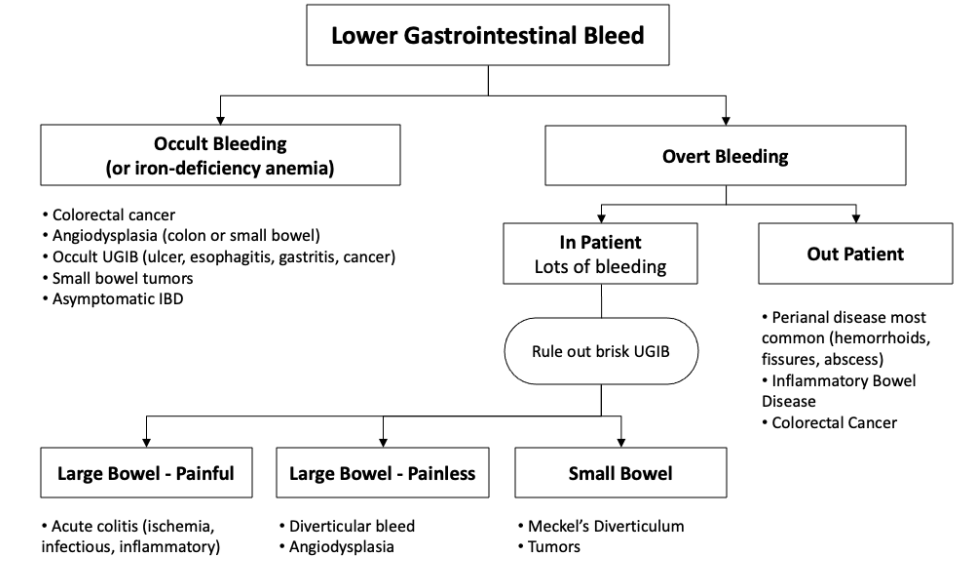

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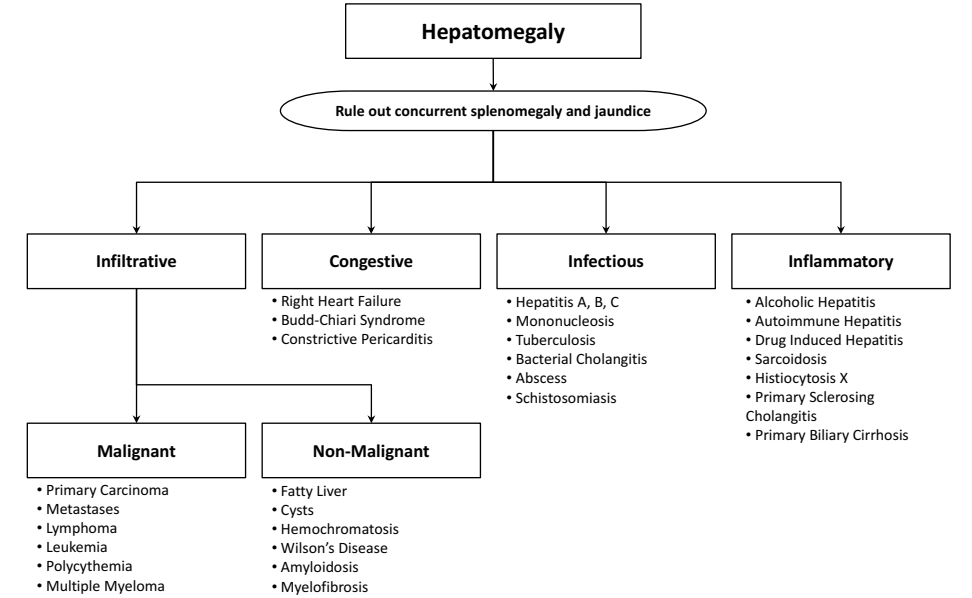

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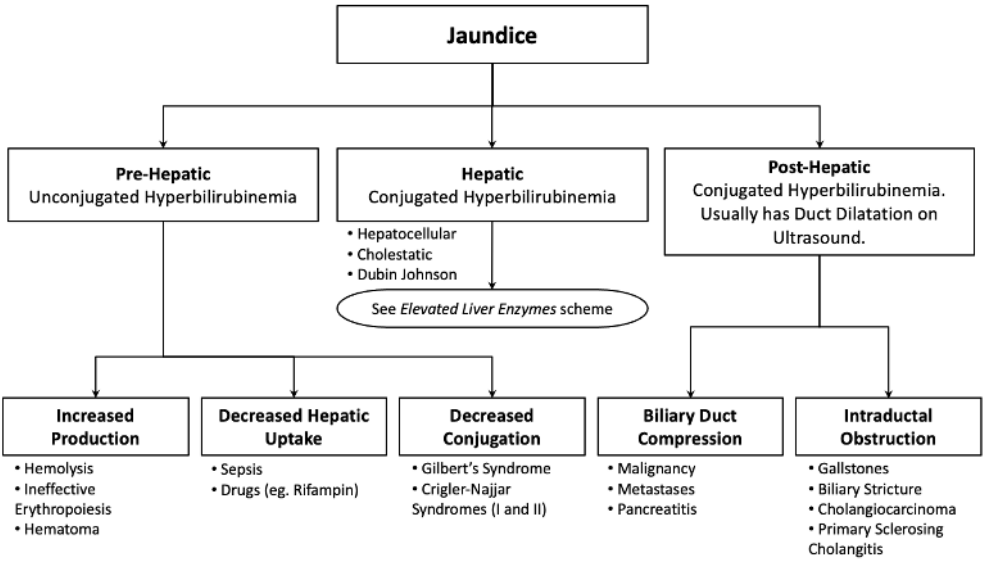

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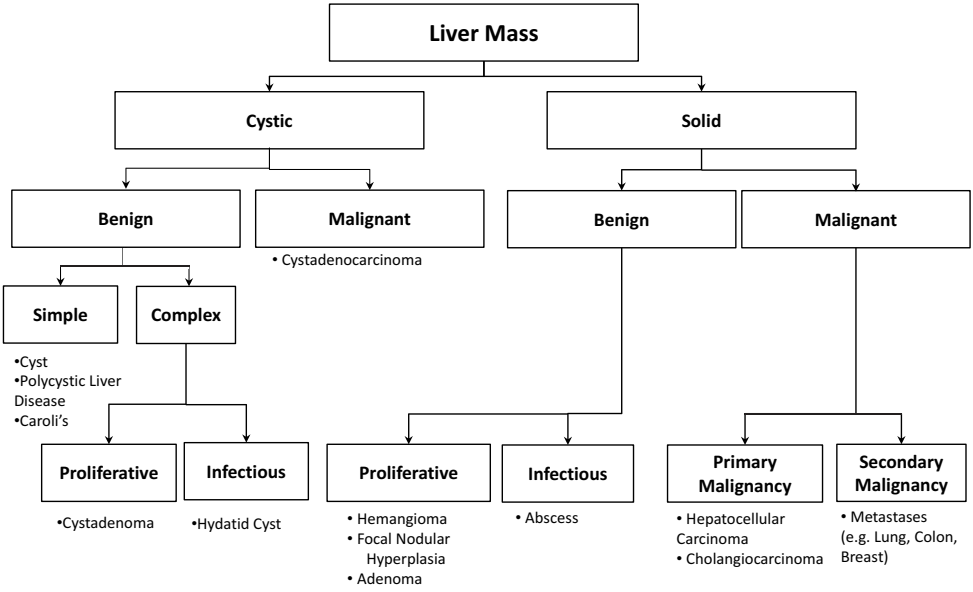

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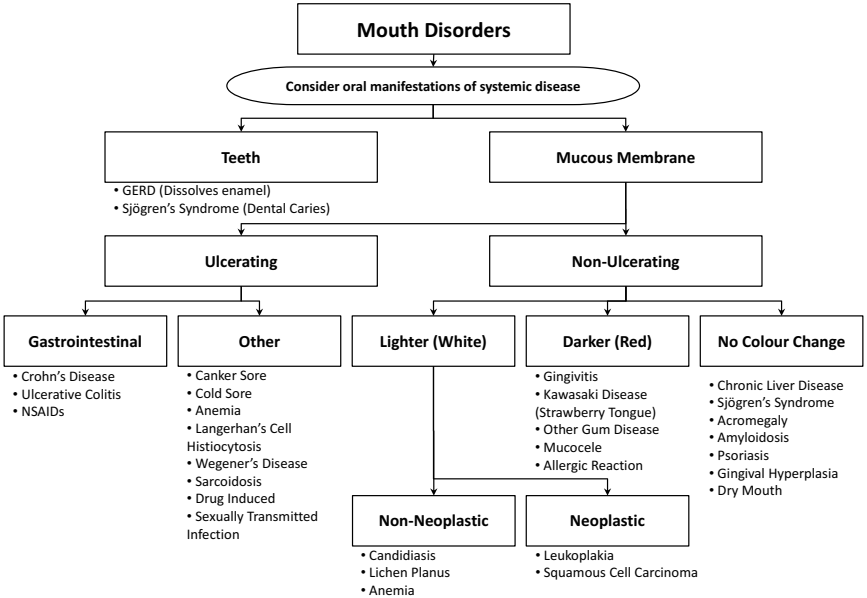

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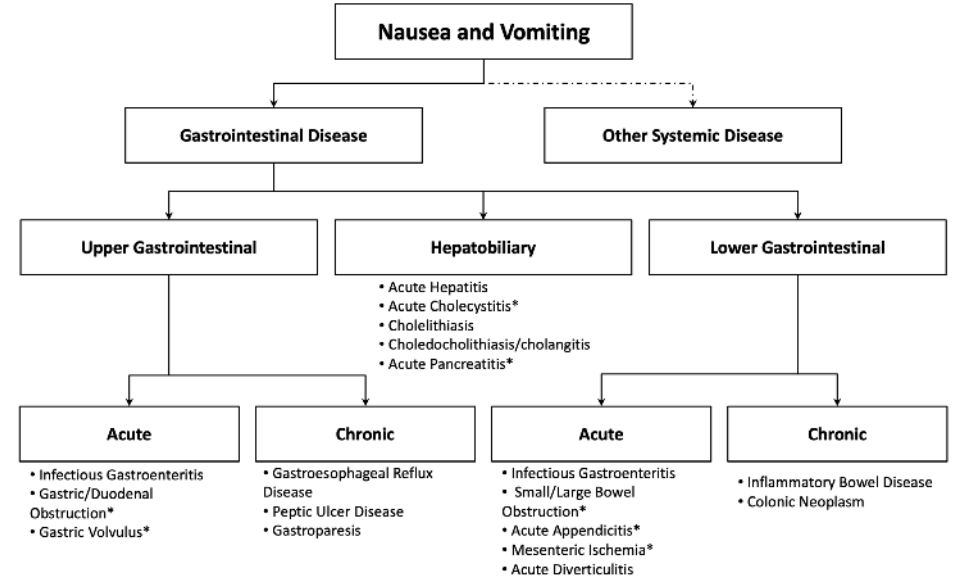
Gastrointestinal Disease



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Nausea & Vomiting

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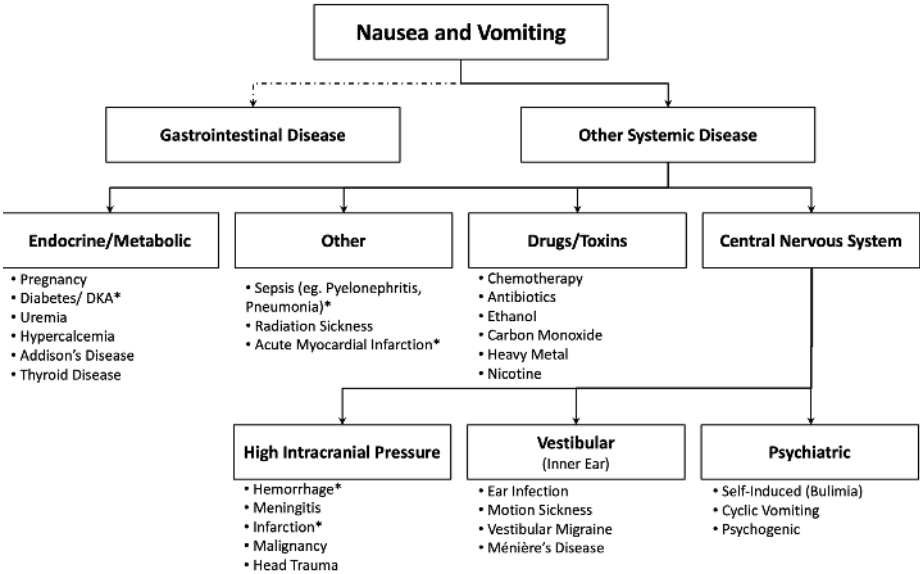

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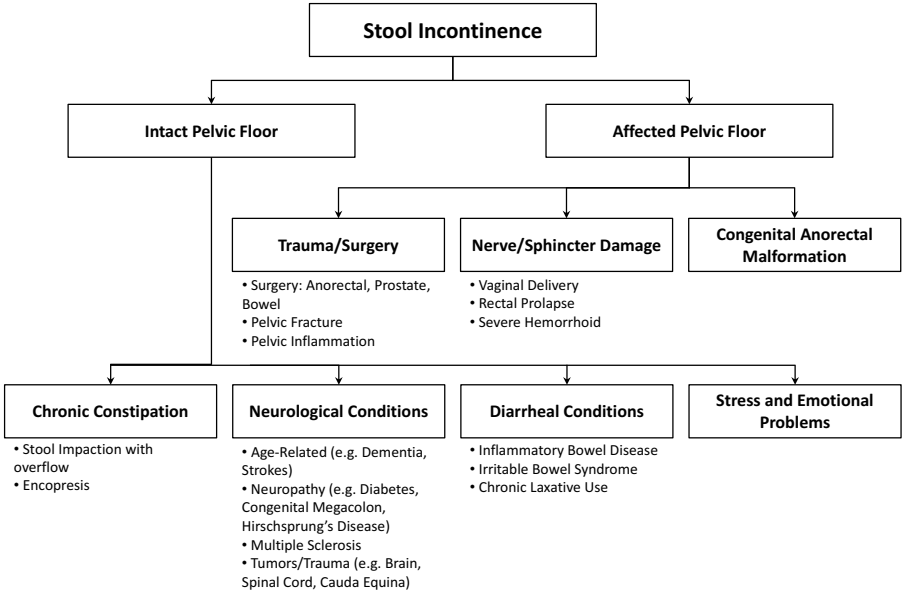

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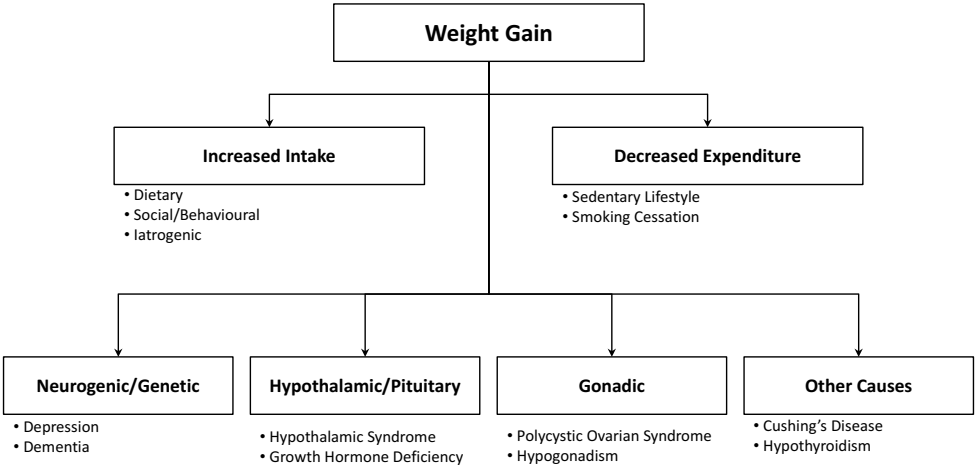

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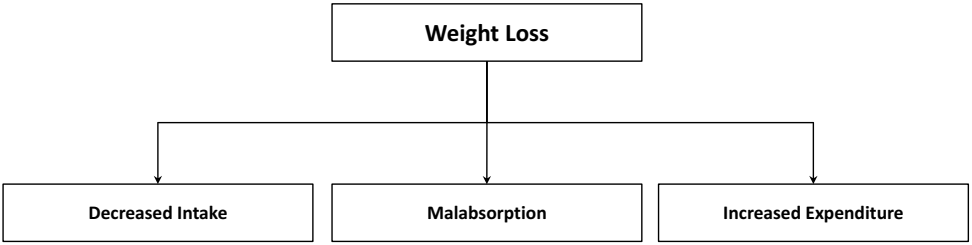

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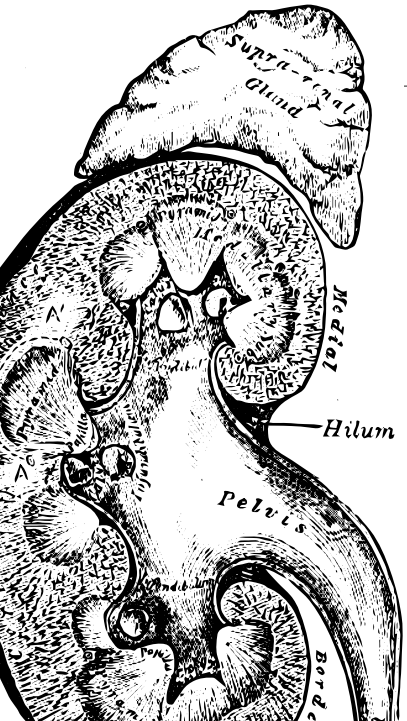

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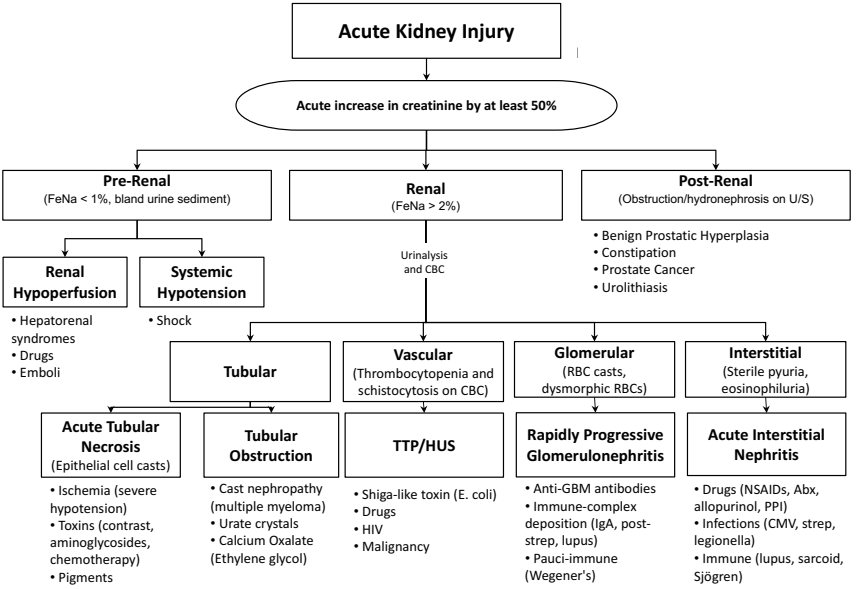

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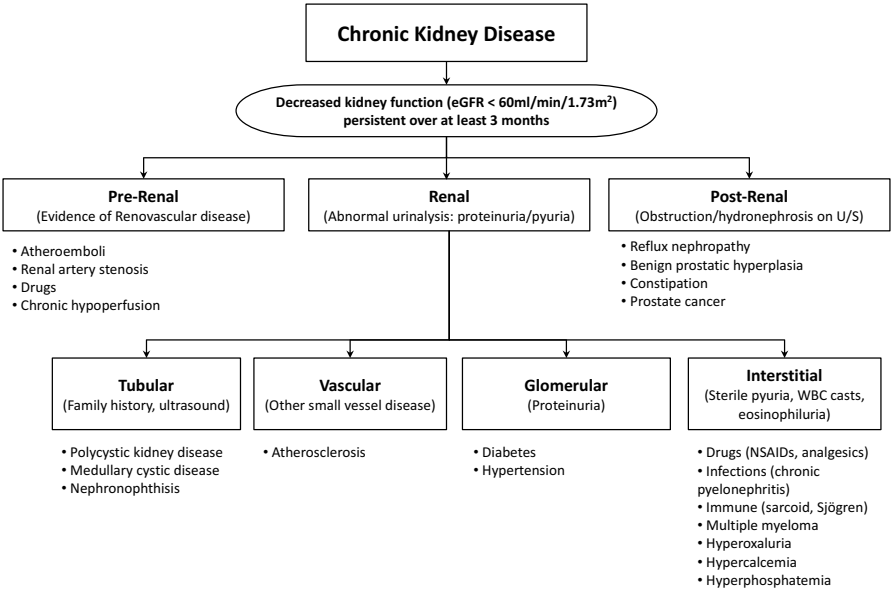

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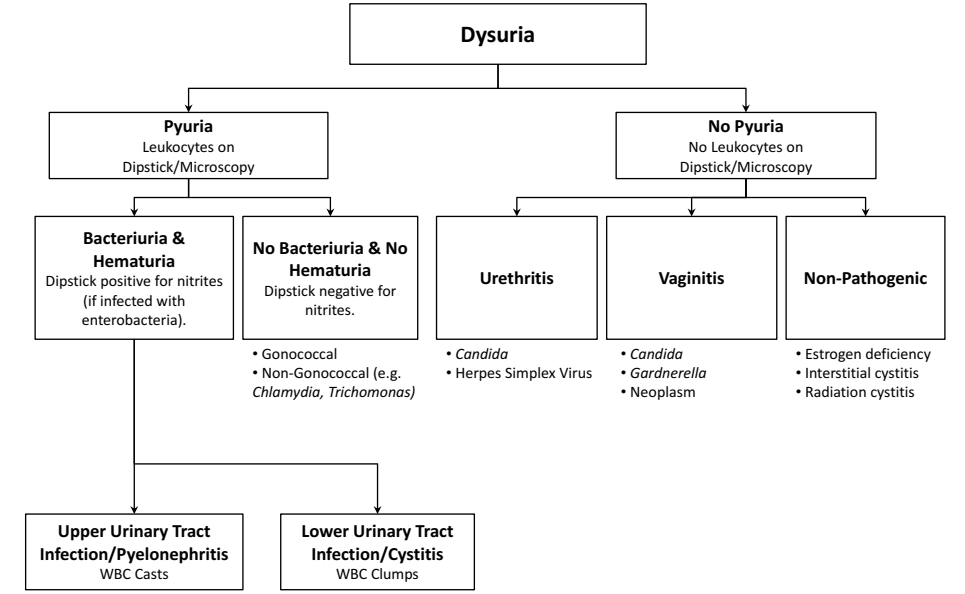
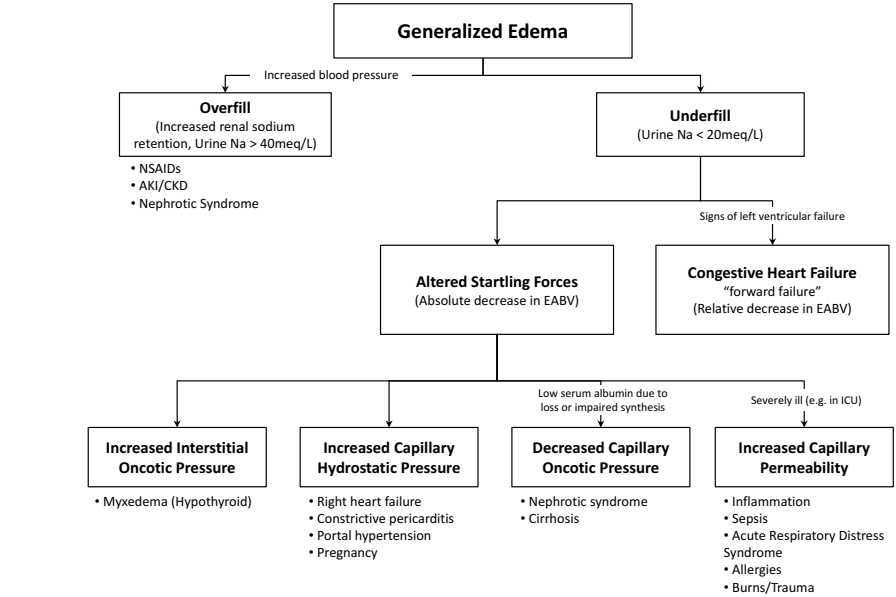

Dysuria
Pyuria
Leukocytes on Dipstick/Microscopy
No Pyuria
No Leukocytes on Dipstick/Microscopy
Bacteriuria & Hematuria
Dipstick positive for nitrites (if infected with enterobacteria).
No Bacteriuria & No Hematuria
Dipstick negative for nitrites.
Urethritis
Vaginitis
Non-Pathogenic
• Gonococcal
• Non-Gonococcal (e.g. Chlamydia, Trichomonas)
• Candida
• Herpes Simplex Virus
• Candida
• Gardnerella
• Neoplasm
• Estrogen deficiency
• Interstitial cystitis
• Radiation cystitis
Upper Urinary Tract Infection/Pyelonephritis
WBC Casts
Lower Urinary Tract Infection/Cystitis
WBC Clumps

Generalized Edema



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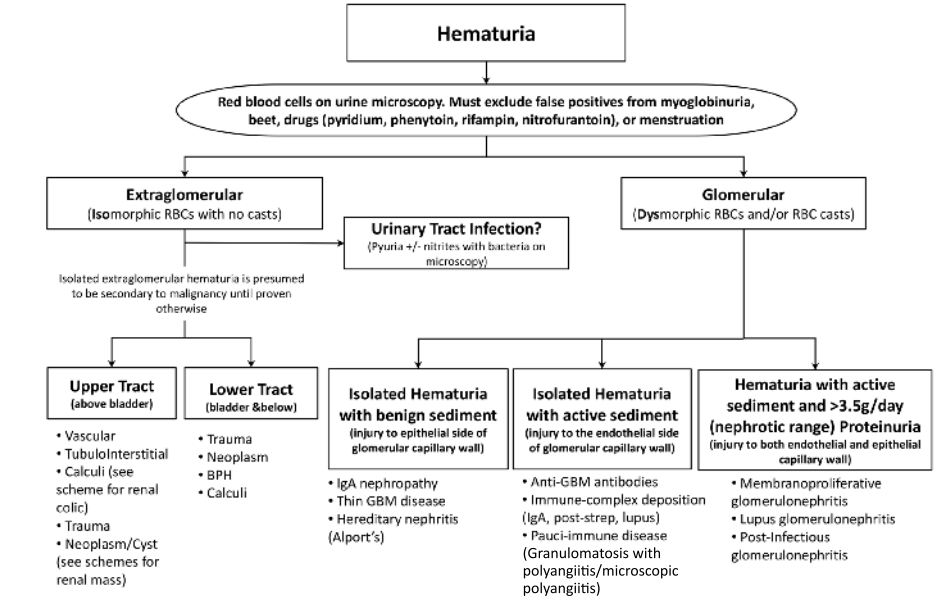
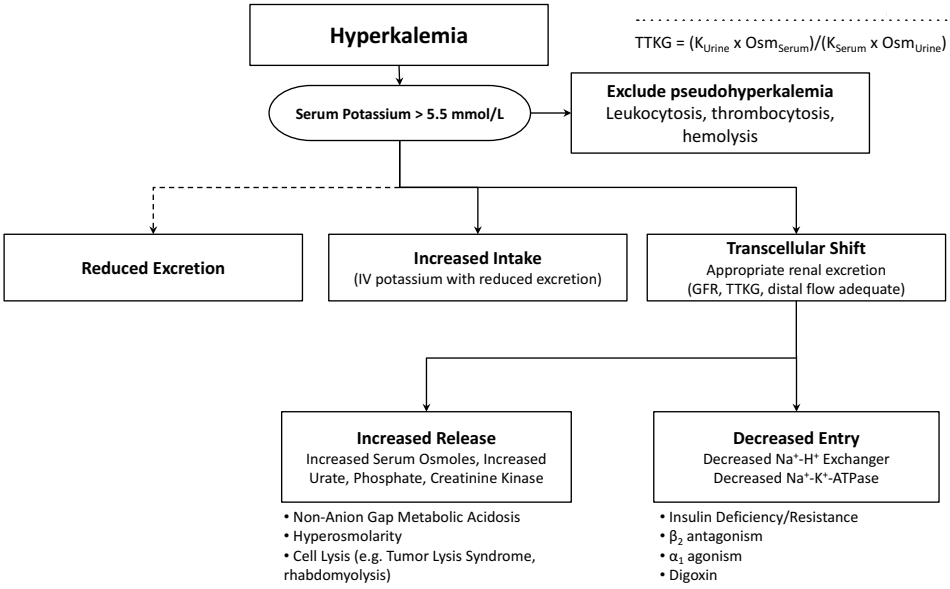


Hyperkalemia

Intercellular Shift



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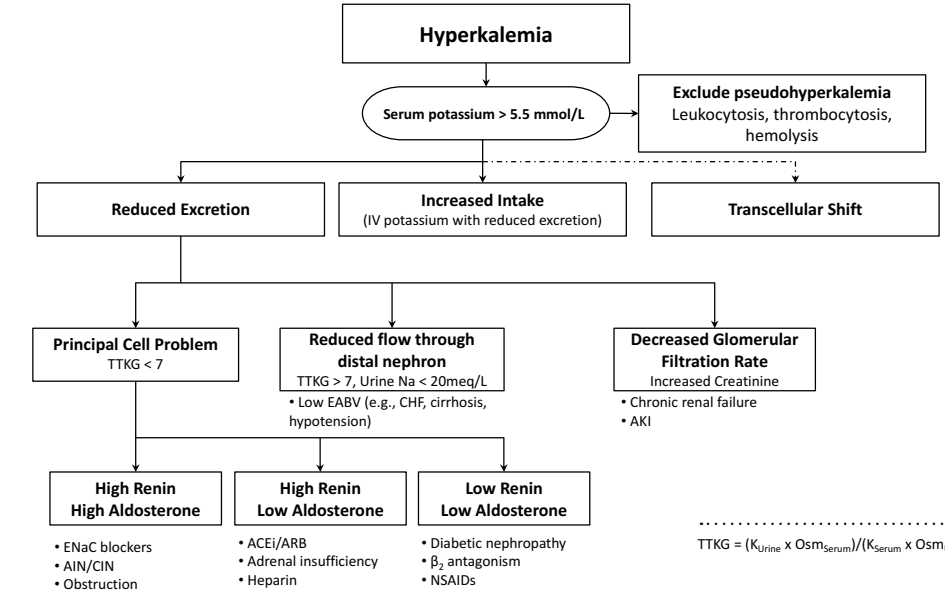
Reduced Excretion



$TTKG = (K_{Urine} \times Osm_{Serum})/(K_{Serum} \times Osm_{Urine})$

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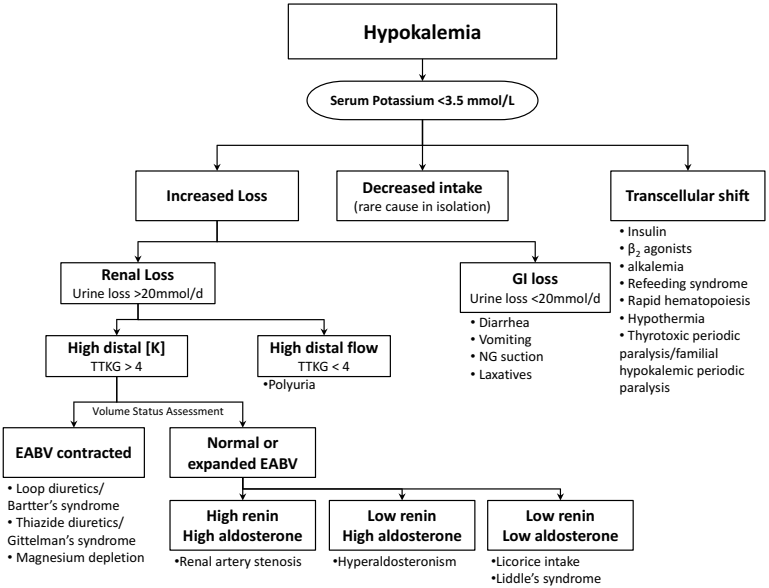

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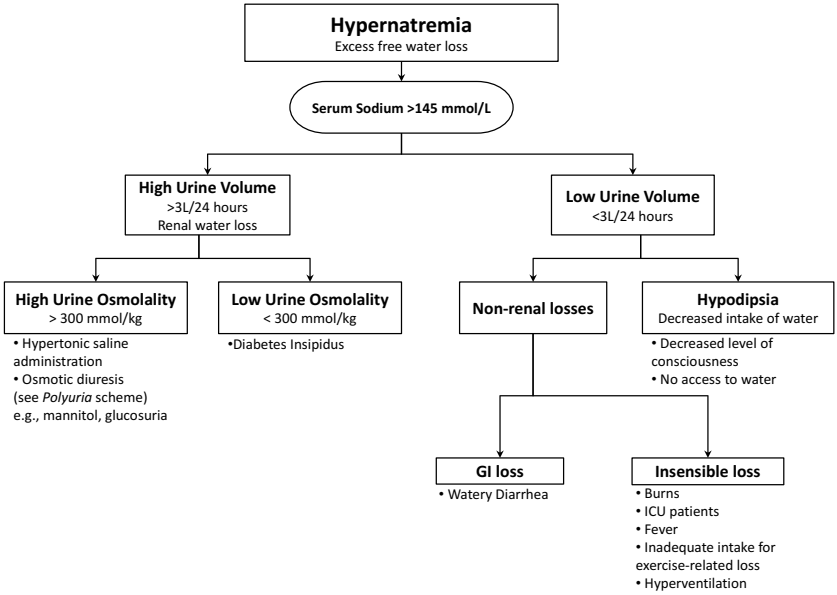

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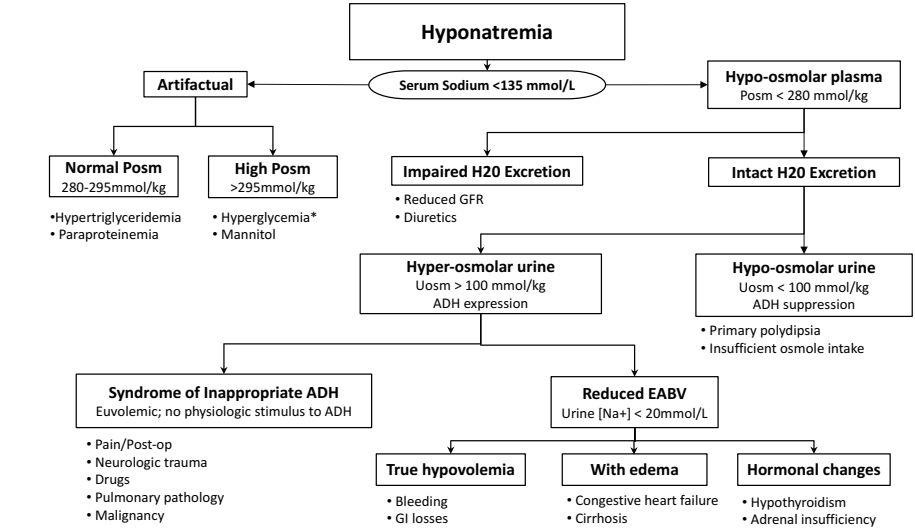
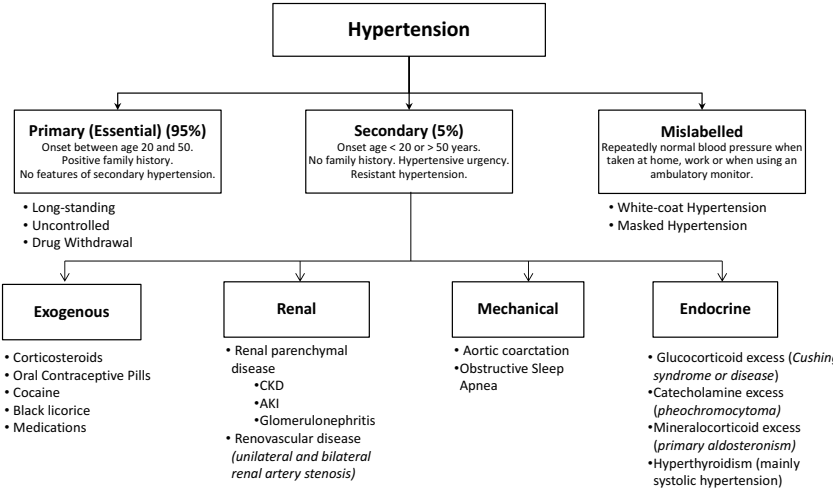


*serum sodium correction in hyperglycemia:
$[Na^+]_{corrected} = [Na^+] + (0.3 * ([glucose] – 5))$

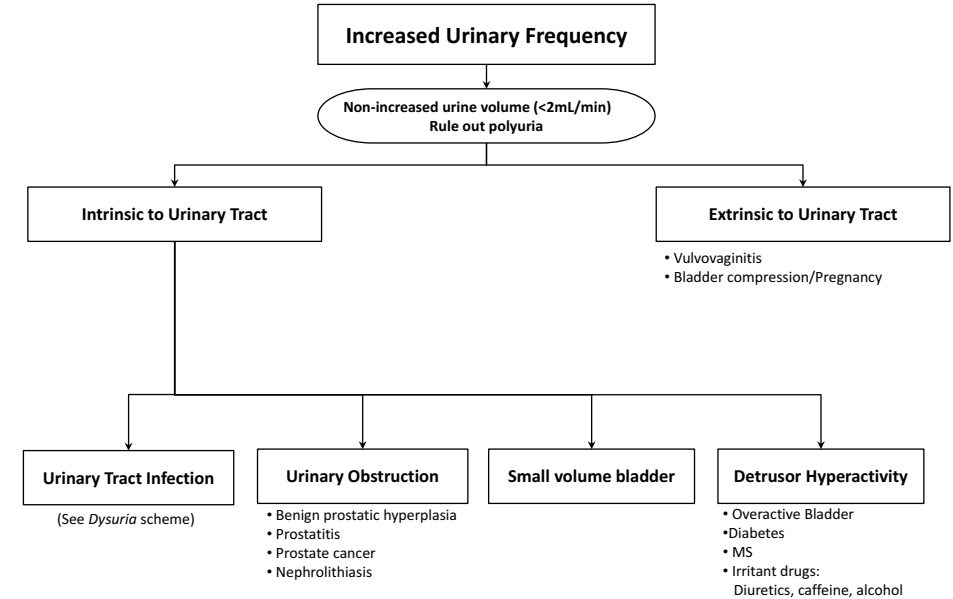
Hypertension



Definition of hypertension:
Systolic BP ≥ 140mmHg or Diastolic BP ≥ 90mmHg
Isolated systolic hypertension in the elderly: ≥ 160mmHg
Diabetes mellitus ≥ 130/80mmHg
Note: In children, the definition of hypertension is different (either systolic or diastolic BP >95%ile), **but the approach is the same**.

Hypertensive Urgency: BP usually >180/110mmHg or asymptomatic Diastolic BP >130mmHg with target organ damage usually present but not acutely changing
Hypertensive Emergency: BP usually >220/140mmHg with evolving target organ damage

Increased Urinary Frequency



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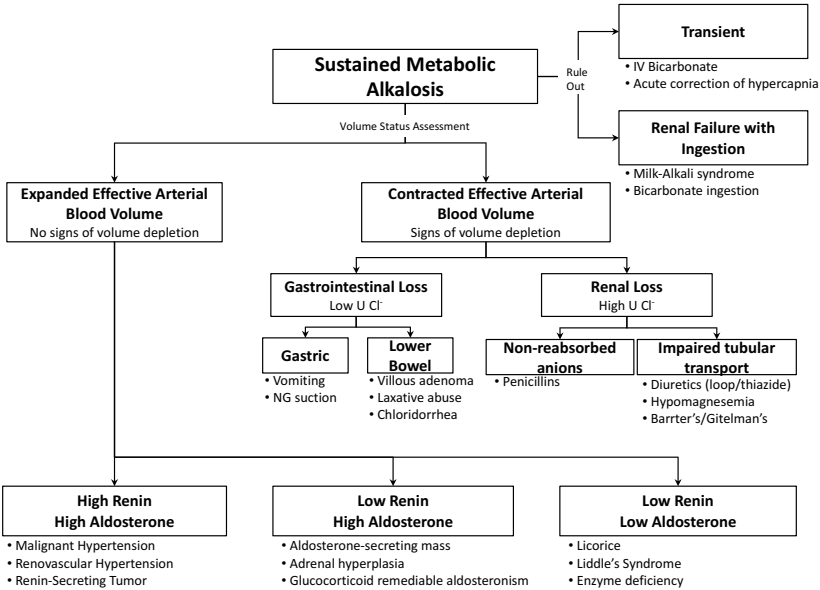
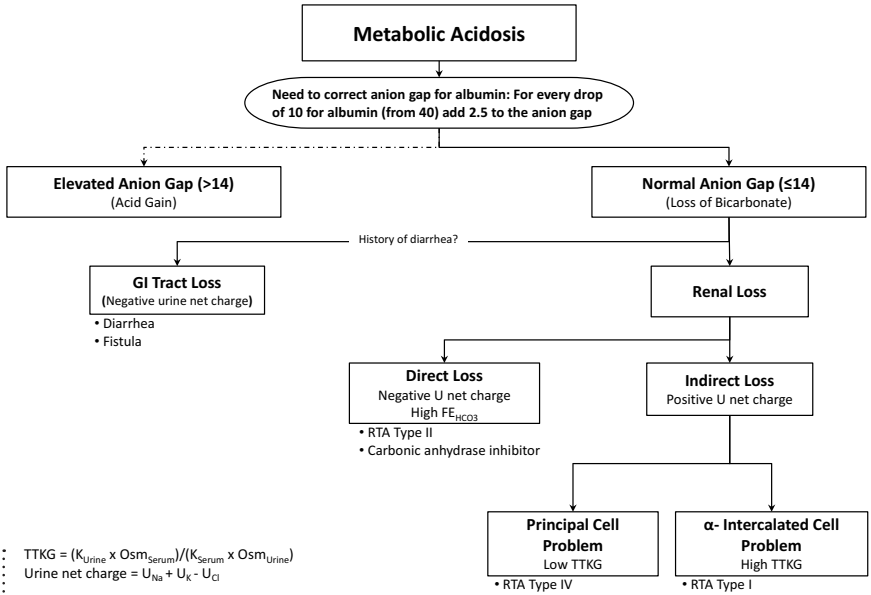


Metabolic Acidosis

Normal Anion Gap

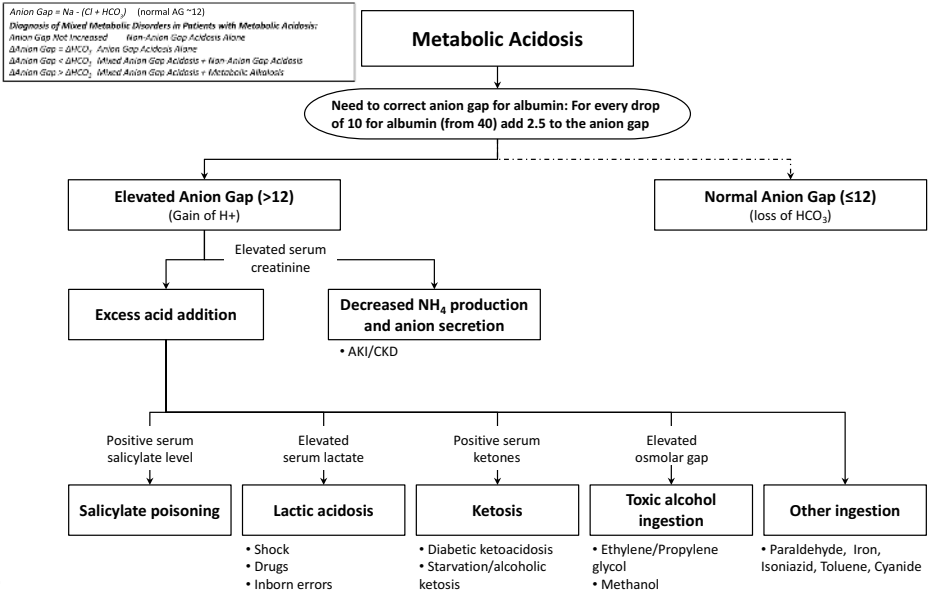


$TTKG = (K_{Urine} \times Osm_{Serum})/(K_{Serum} \times Osm_{Urine})$

$Urine\ net\ charge = U_{Na} + U_K - U_{Cl}$

Metabolic Acidosis

Elevated Anion Gap



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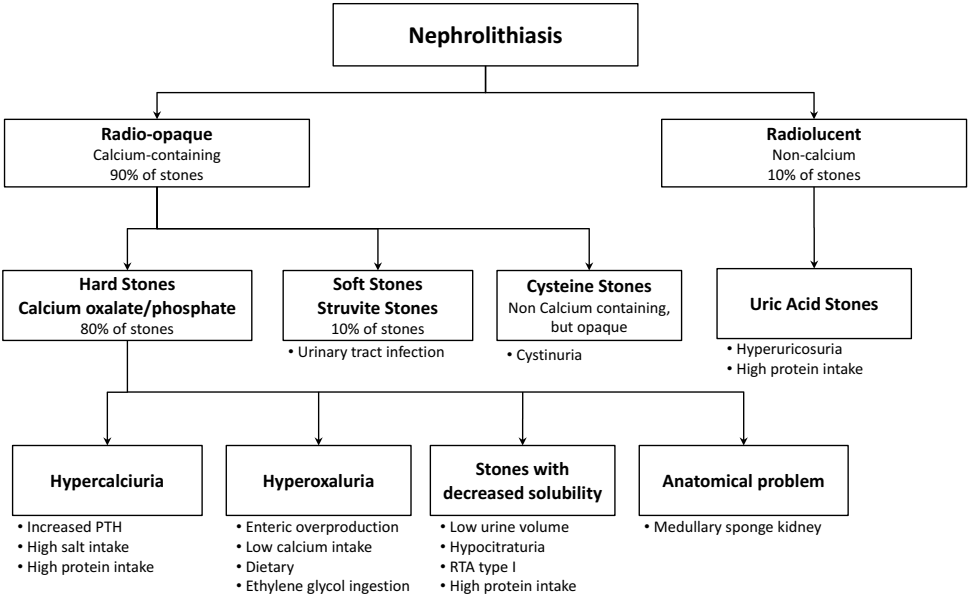
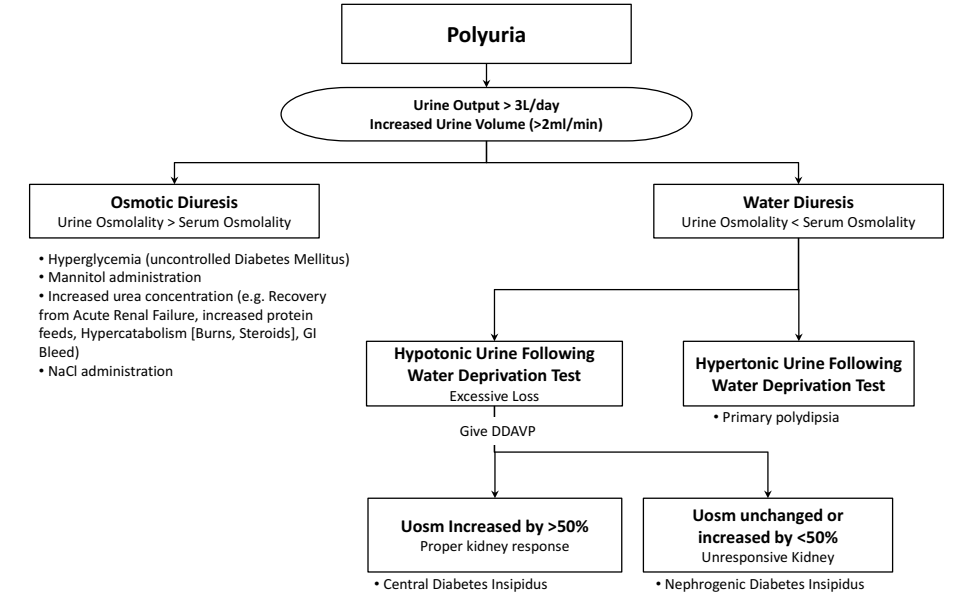
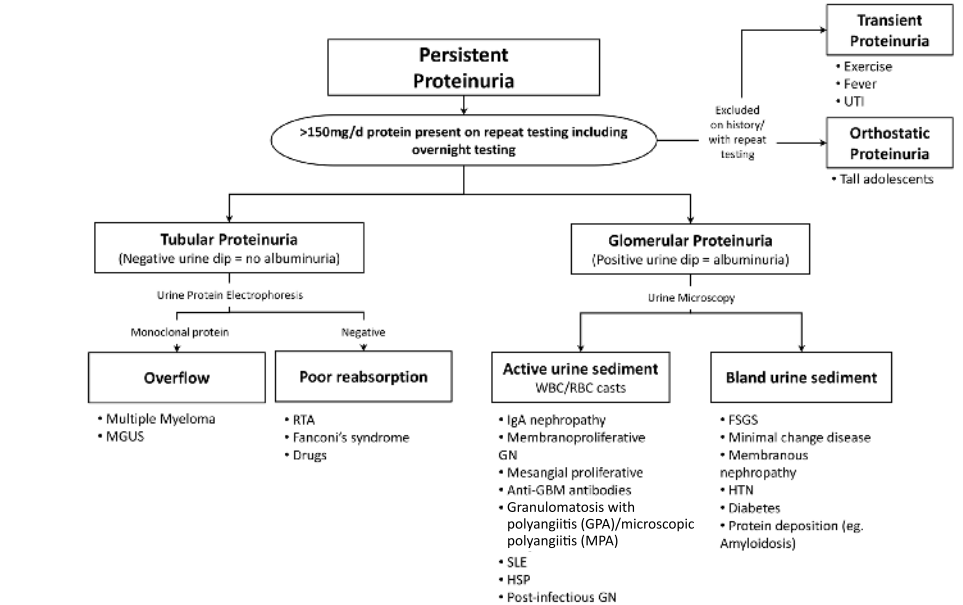


Polyuria

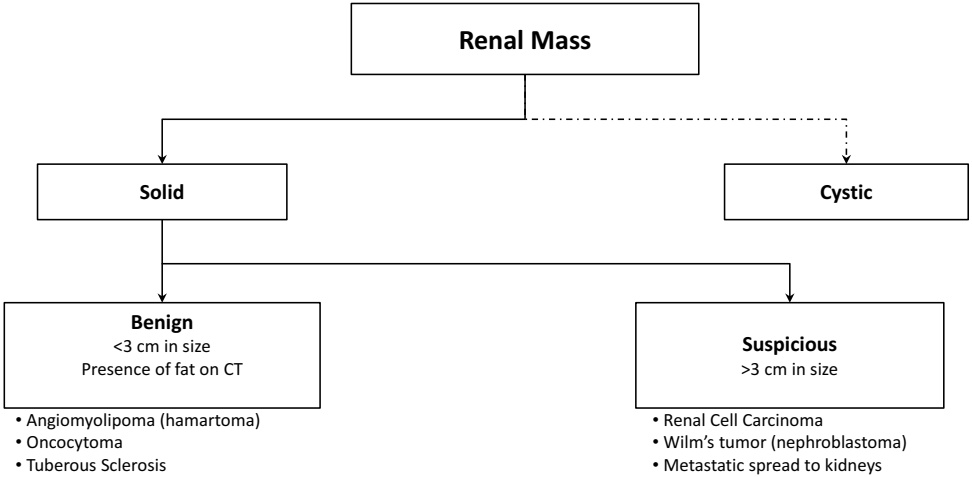

Polyuria
Urine Output > 3L/day
Increased Urine Volume (>2ml/min)
Osmotic Diuresis
Urine Osmolality > Serum Osmolality
• Hyperglycemia (uncontrolled Diabetes Mellitus)
• Mannitol administration
• Increased urea concentration (e.g. Recovery from Acute Renal Failure, increased protein feeds, Hypercatabolism [Burns, Steroids], GI Bleed)
• NaCl administration
Water Diuresis
Urine Osmolality < Serum Osmolality
Hypotonic Urine Following Water Deprivation Test
Excessive Loss
Hypertonic Urine Following Water Deprivation Test
• Primary polydipsia
Give DDAVP
Uosm Increased by >50%
Proper kidney response
• Central Diabetes Insipidus
Uosm unchanged or increased by <50%
Unresponsive Kidney
• Nephrogenic Diabetes Insipidus

Proteinuria



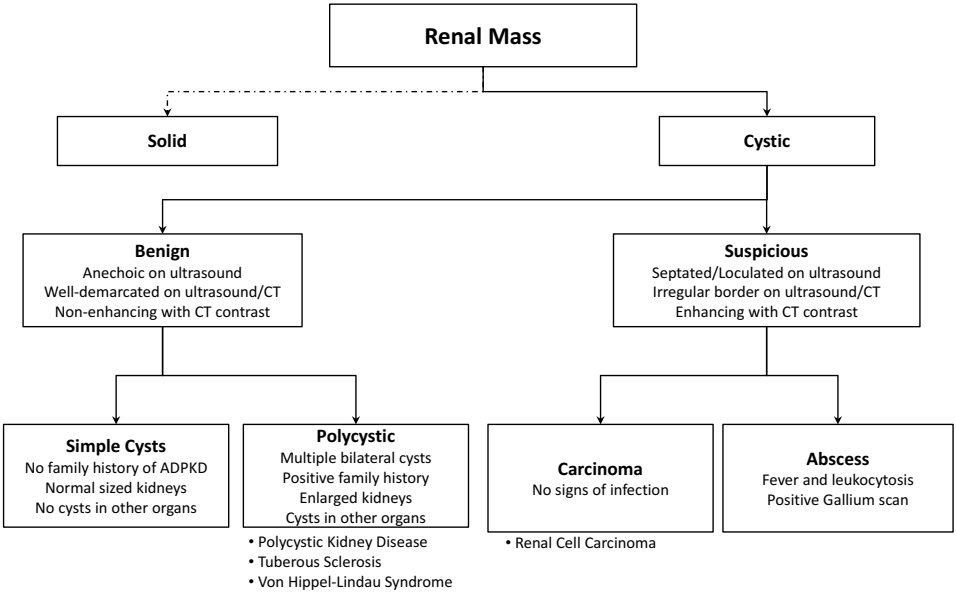
Renal Mass

Solid

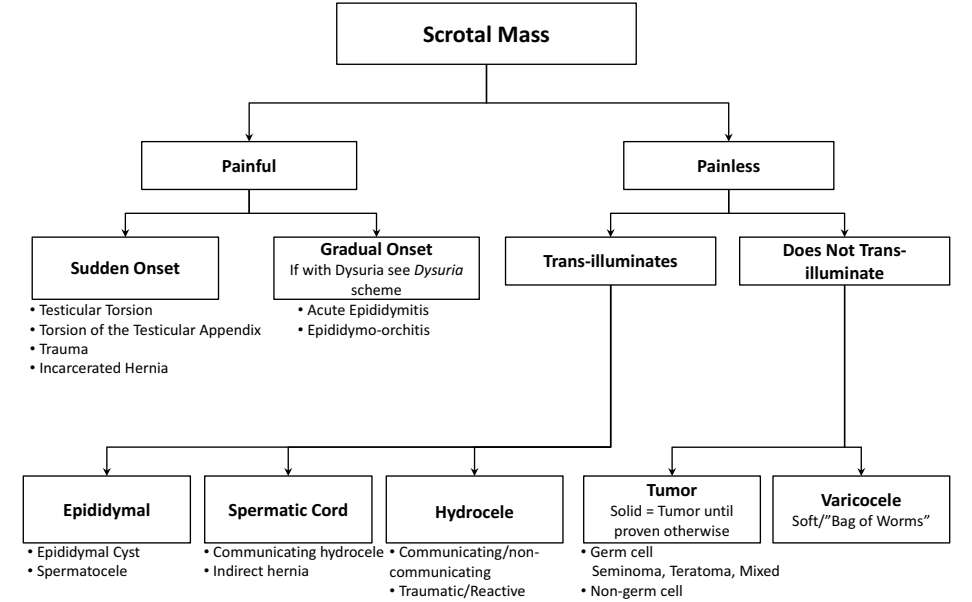


Renal Mass

Cystic



Scrotal Mass



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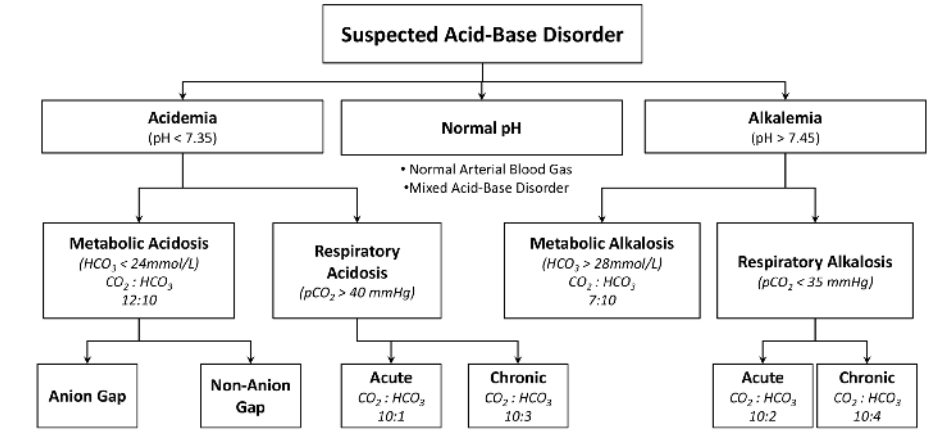


Appropriate Compensation:	Ratio (CO_2:HCO_3^-)
Metabolic Acidosis	12:10
Metabolic Alkalosis	7:10
Acute Respiratory Acidosis	10:1
Chronic Respiratory Acidosis	10:3
Acute Respiratory Alkalosis	10:2
Chronic Respiratory Alkalosis	10:4

Anion Gap = Na - (Cl + HCO_3) (normal AG ~12)

Diagnosis of Mixed Metabolic Disorders in Patients with Metabolic Acidosis:

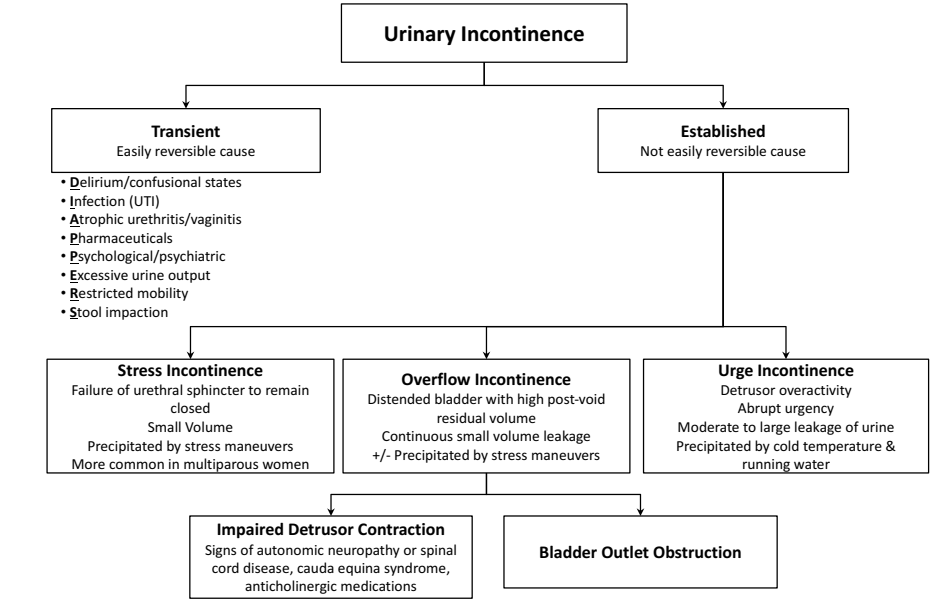
Anion Gap Not Increased — *Non-Anion Gap Acidosis Alone*

ΔAnion Gap = ΔHCO_3 — *Anion Gap Acidosis Alone*

ΔAnion Gap < ΔHCO_3 — *Mixed Anion Gap Acidosis + Non-Anion Gap Acidosis*

ΔAnion Gap > ΔHCO_3 — *Mixed Anion Gap Acidosis + Metabolic Alkalosis*

Urinary Incontinence



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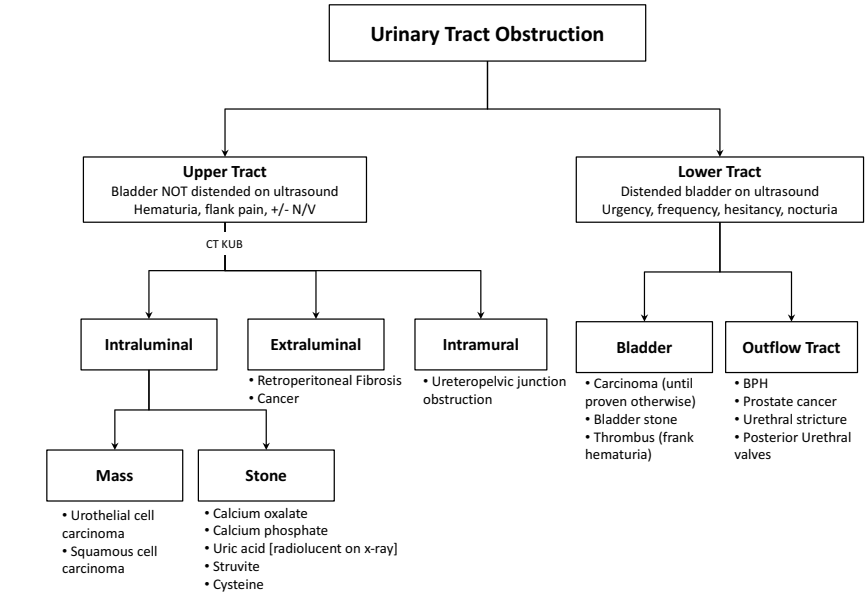

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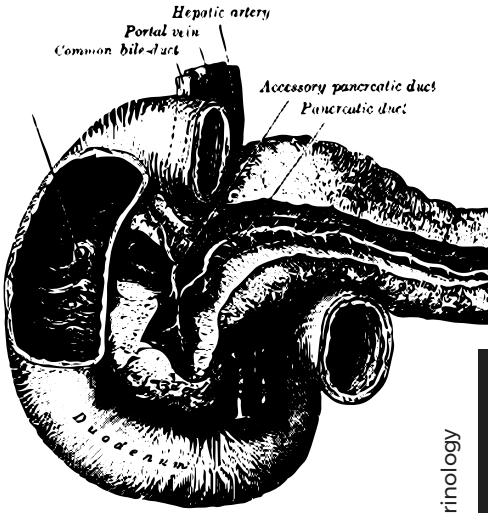

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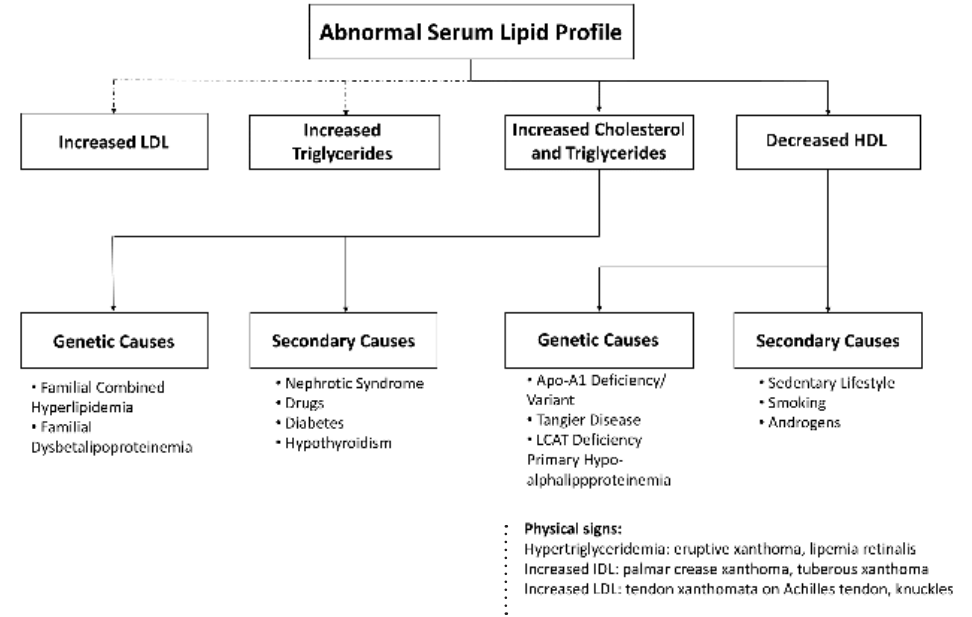
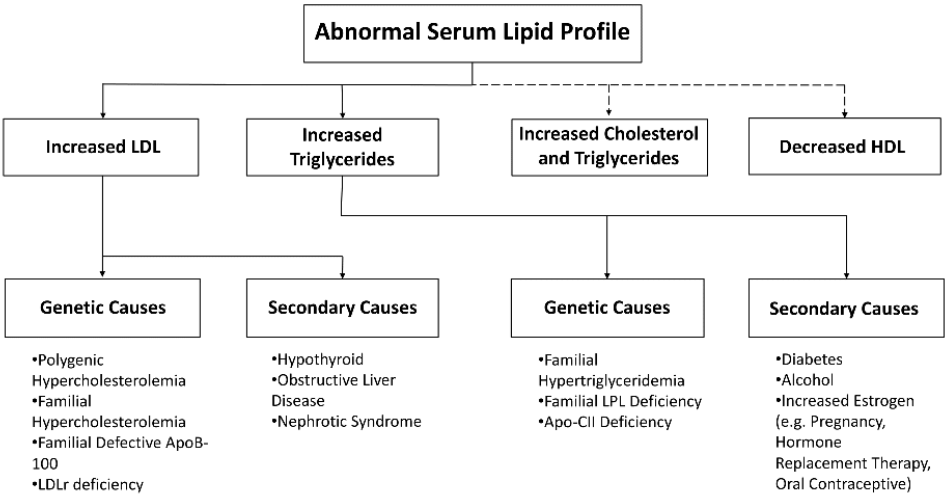


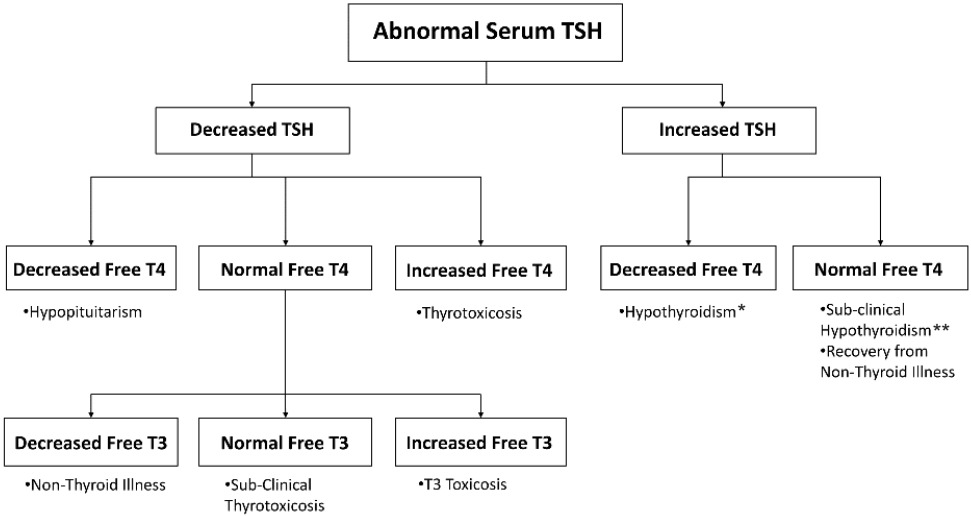
Abnormal Lipid Profile

Increased LDL & Increased Triglycerides



Physical signs:
Hypertriglyceridemia: eruptive xanthoma, lipemia retinalis
Increased IDL: palmar crease xanthoma, tuberous xanthoma
Increased LDL: tendon xanthomata on Achilles tendon, knuckles

Abnormal Serum TSH



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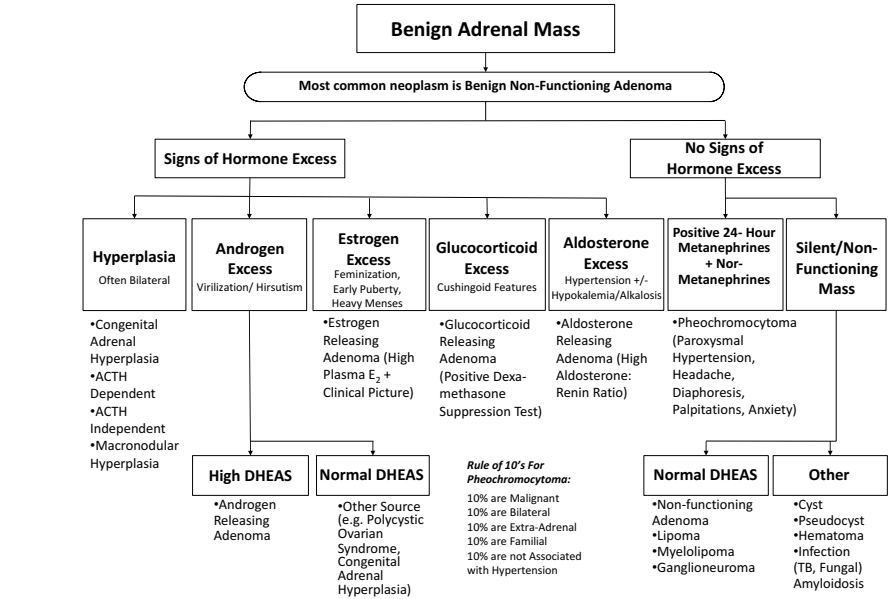
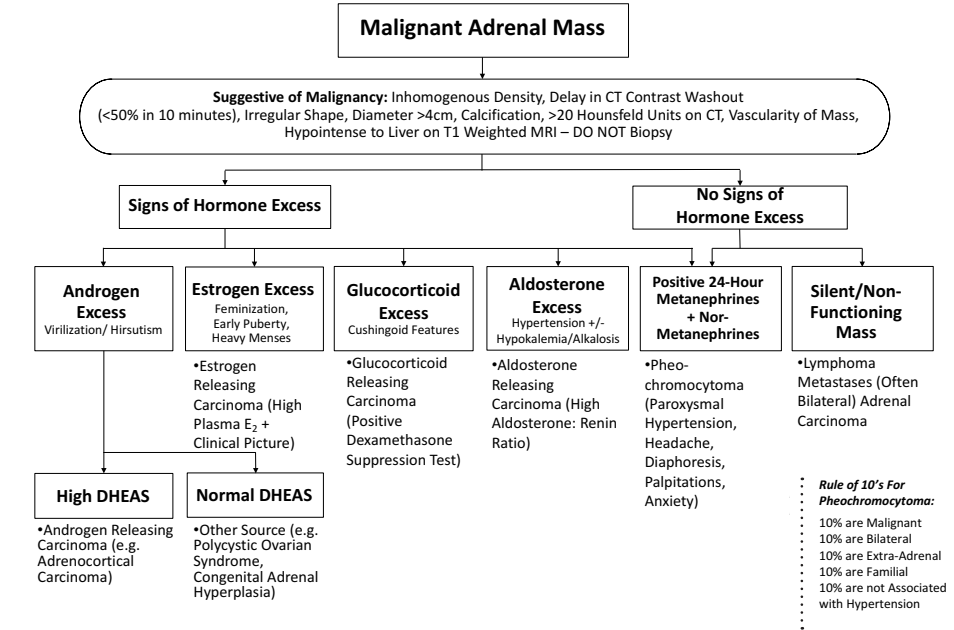
Adrenal Mass

Benign



Adrenal Mass

Malignant



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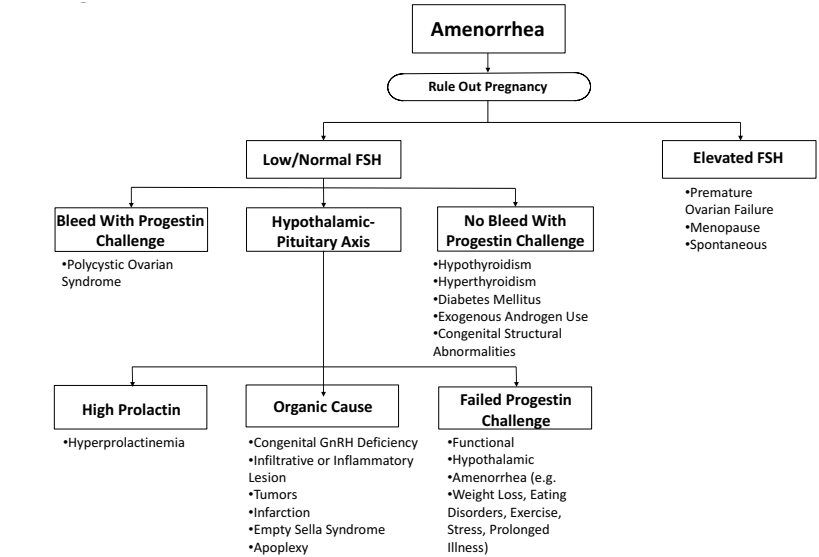
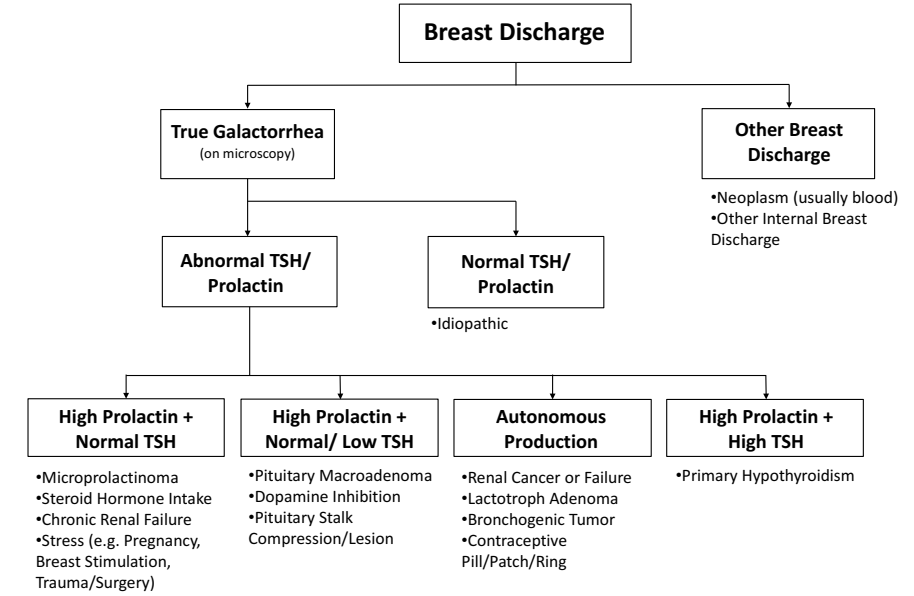


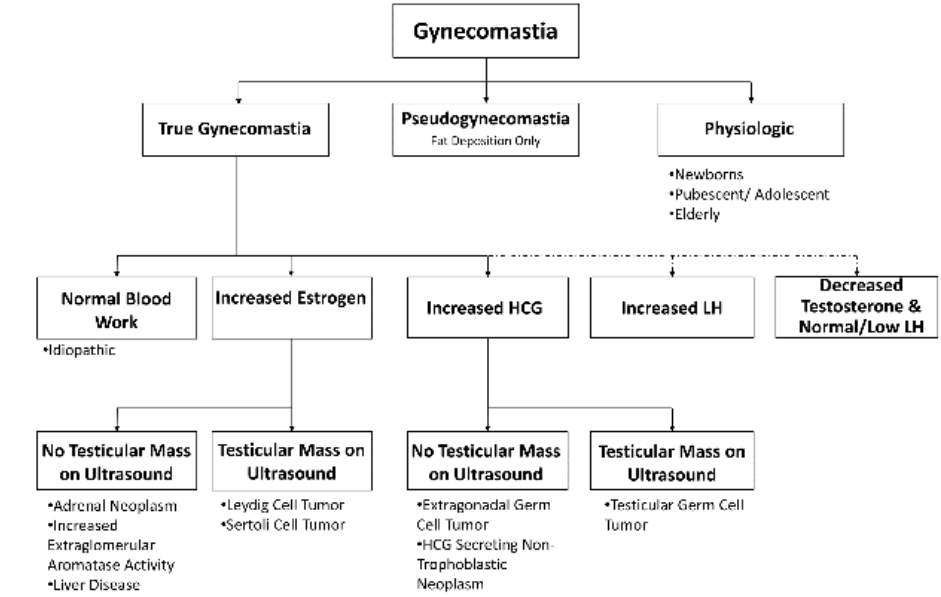
If bleed with progestin challenge = estrogenized
If no bleed with progestin challenge = non-estrogenized

Breast Discharge



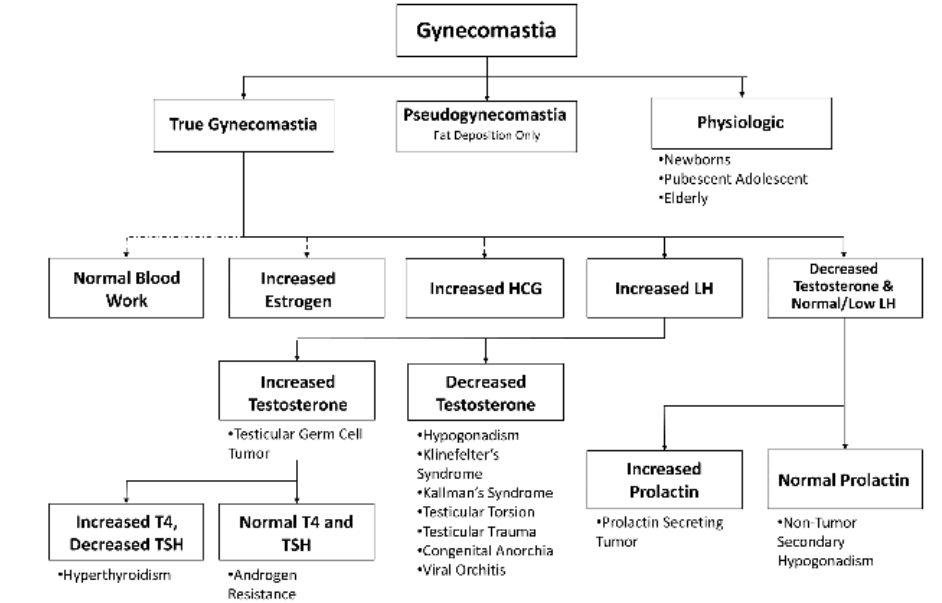
Gynecomastia

Increased Estrogen & Increased HCG

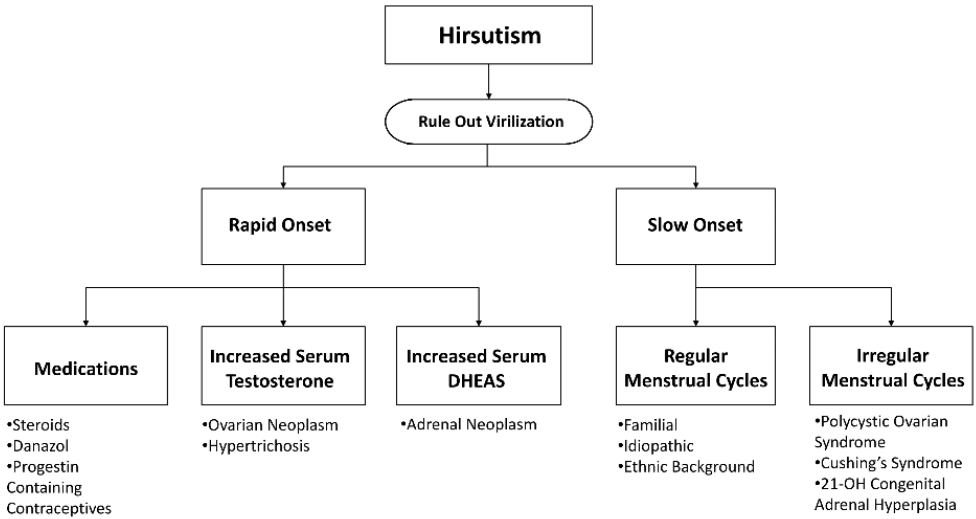


Gynecomastia

Increased LH & Decreased Testosterone

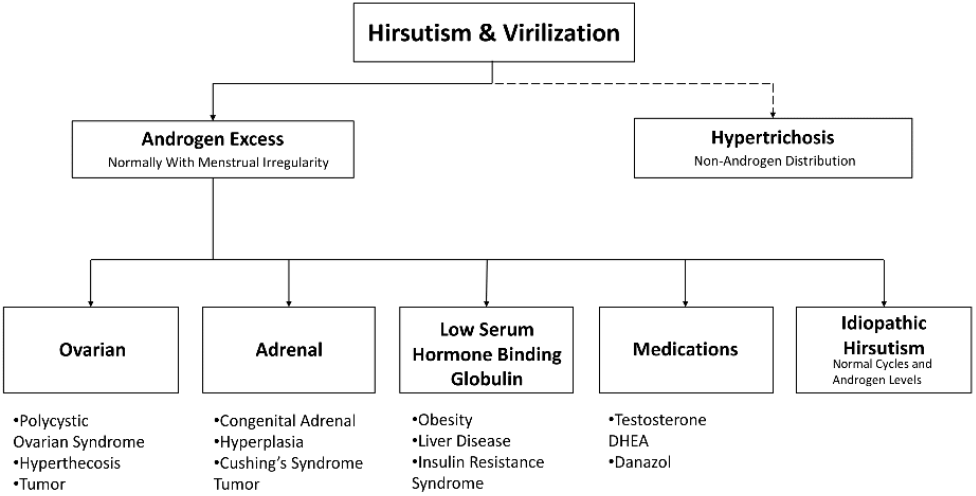


Hirsutism



Hirsutism & Virilization

Androgen Excess



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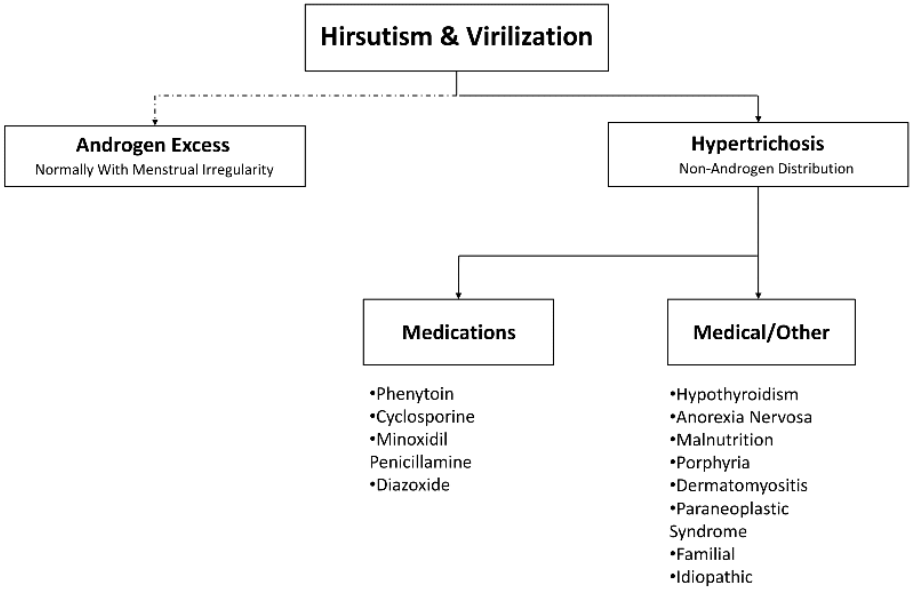
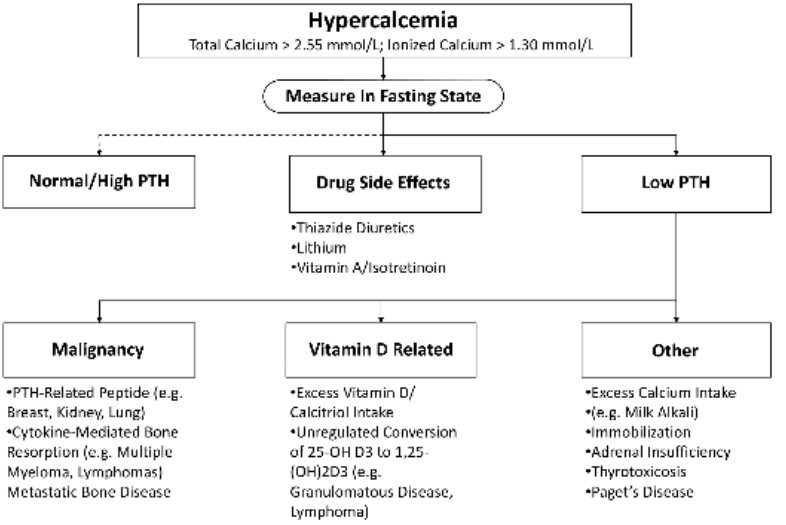


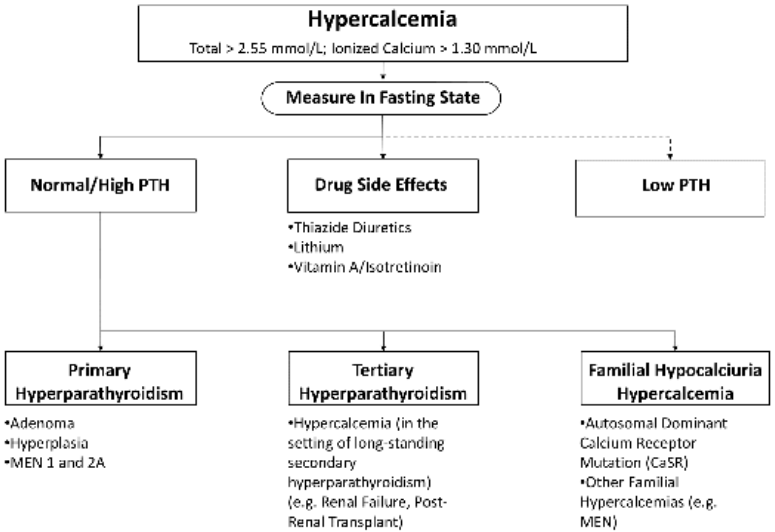
Hypercalcemia

Low PTH



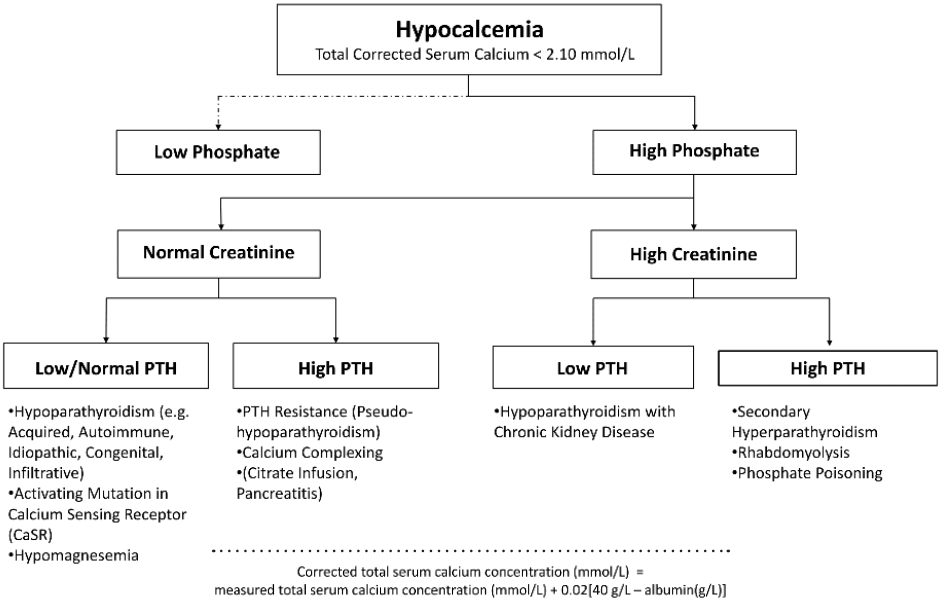
Hypercalcemia

Normal / High PTH



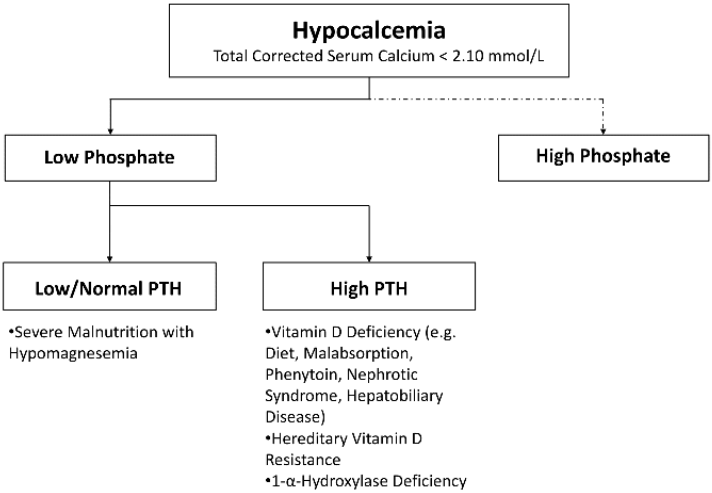
Hypocalcemia

High Phosphate



Hypocalcemia

Low Phosphate



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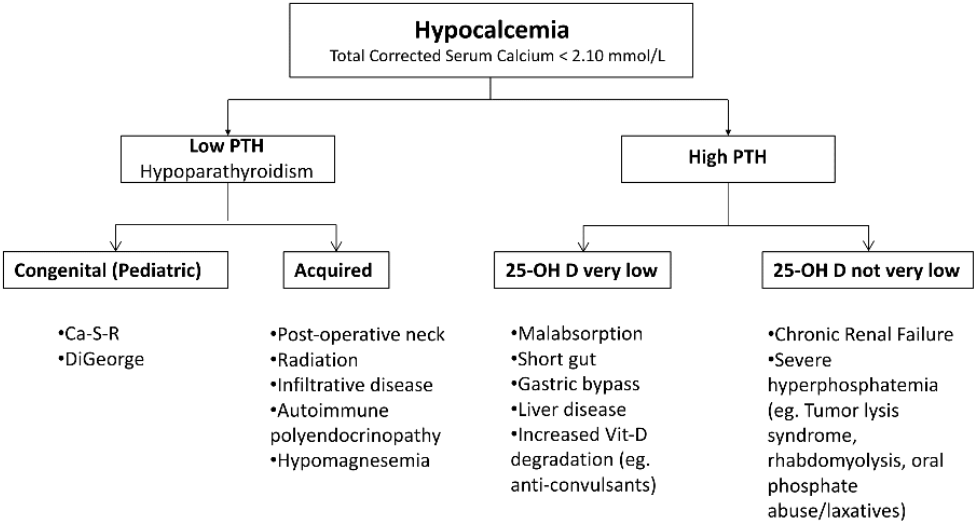
Hypocalcemia

High / Low PTH



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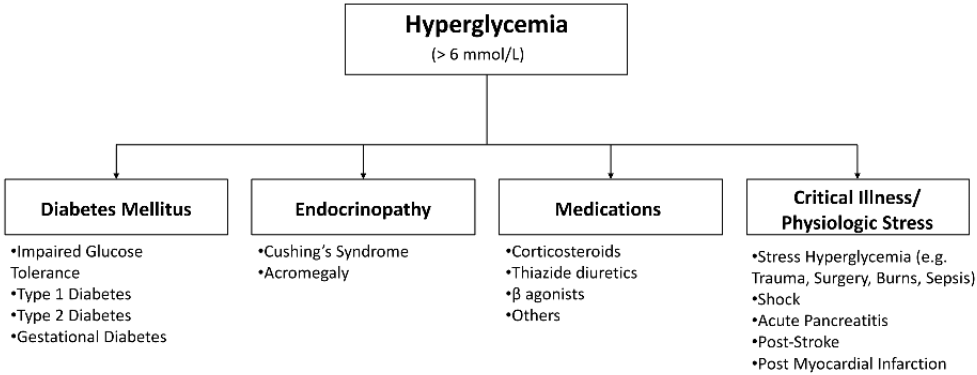
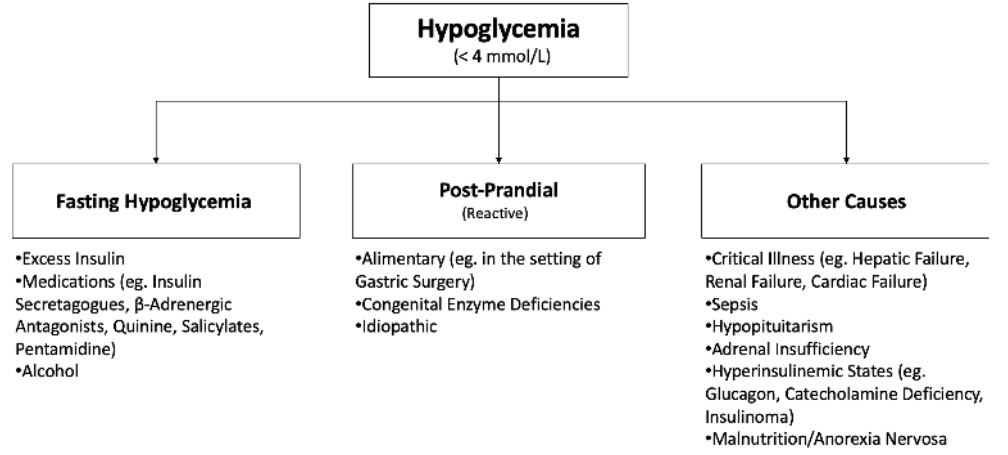
Hyperglycemia



Signs/Symptoms of Hyperglycemia:
Polyphagia, polydipsia, polyuria, blurred vision, fatigue and weight loss

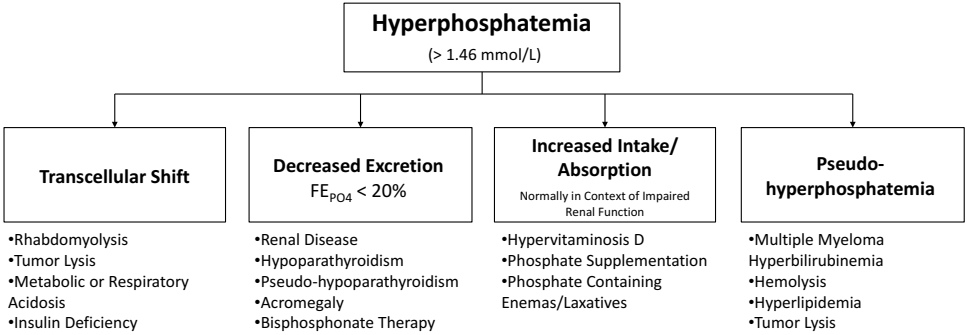
Hypoglycemia



Signs/Symptoms of Hypoglycemia:
Neurogenic: irritability, tremor, anxiety, palpitations, tachycardia, sweating, pallor, paresthesias
Neuroglycopenia: confusion, lethargy, abnormal behaviour, amnesia, weakness, blurred vision, seizures

⚠ *Potentially acutely life-threatening presentation*

Hyperphosphatemia



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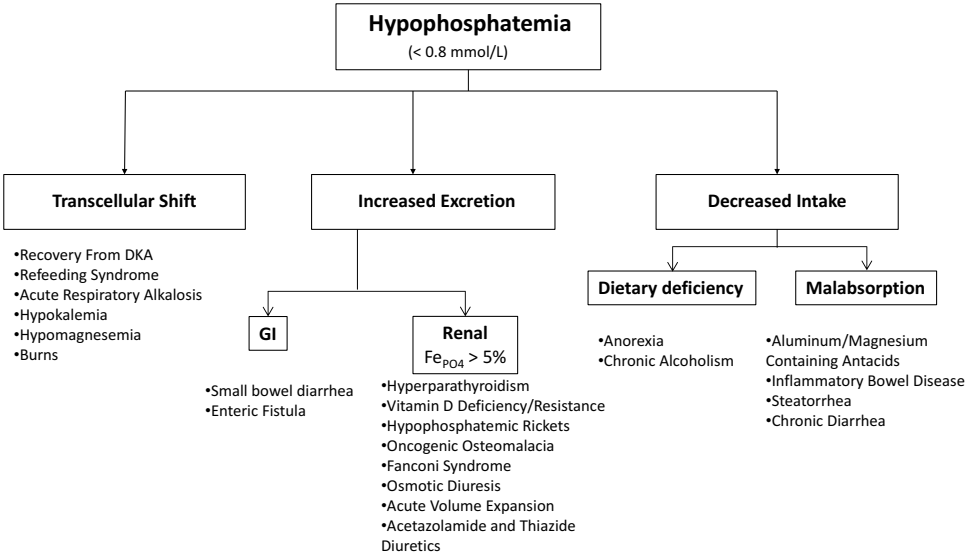

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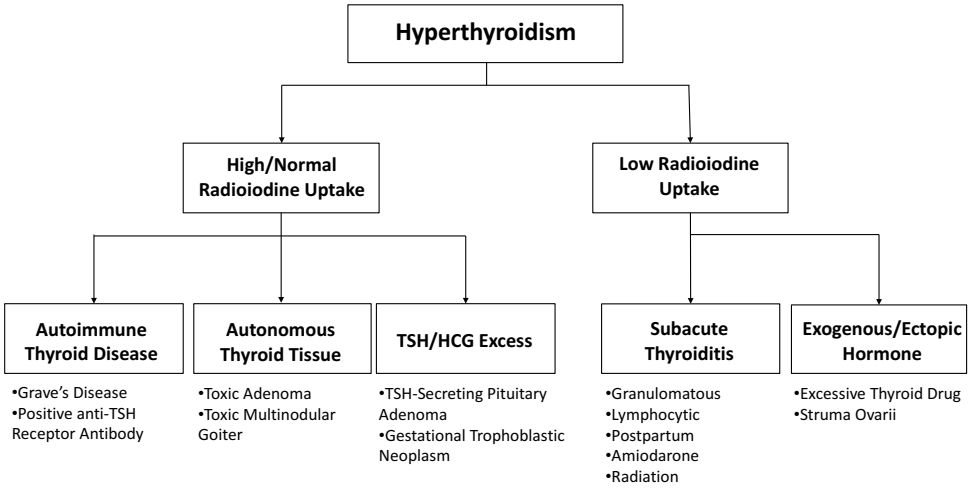

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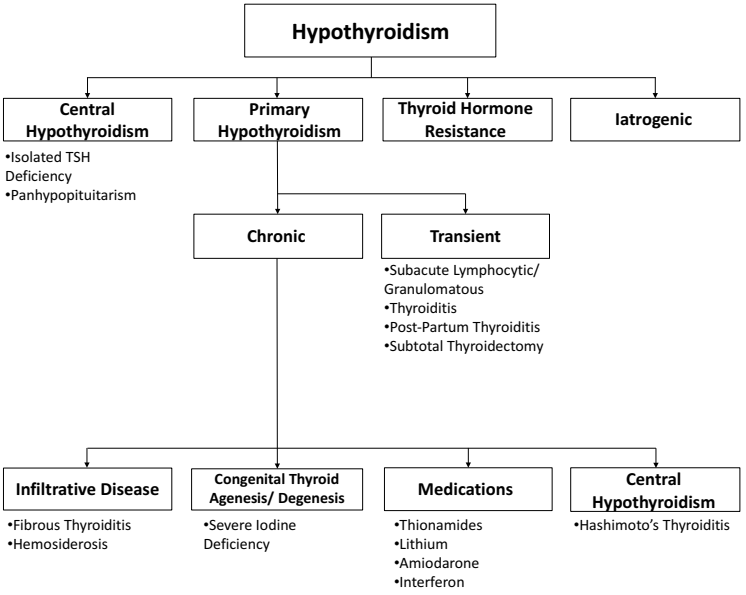

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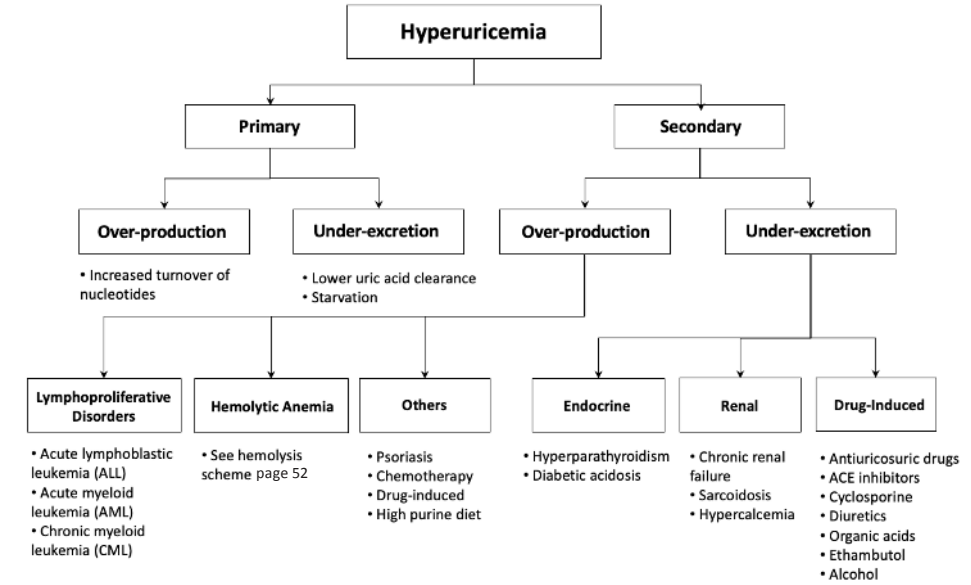

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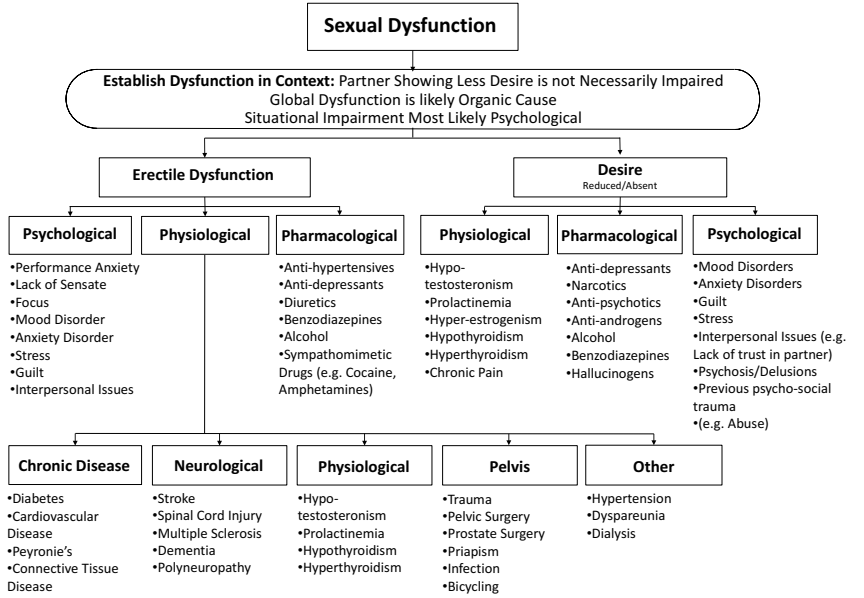
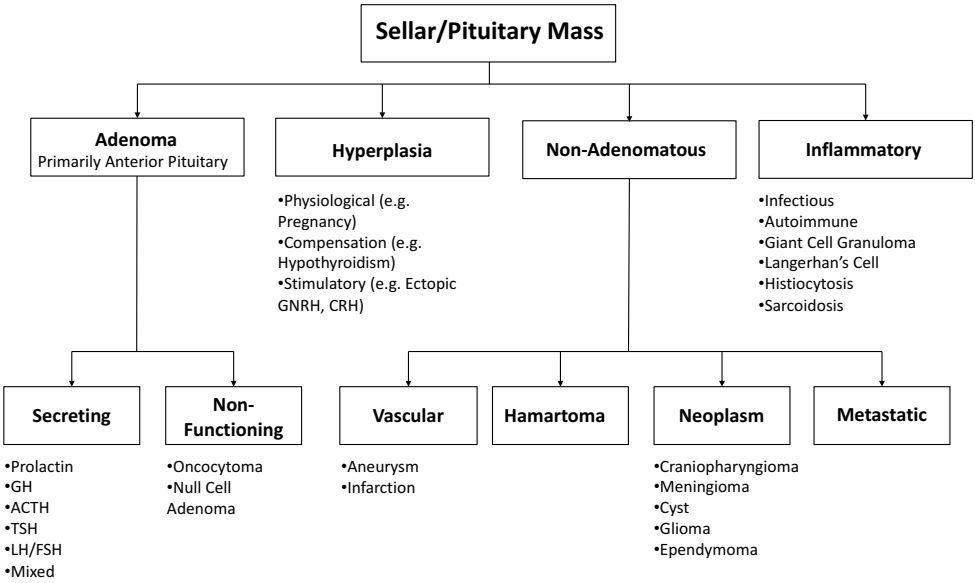


Sellar / Pituitary Mass



Sellar / Pituitary Mass

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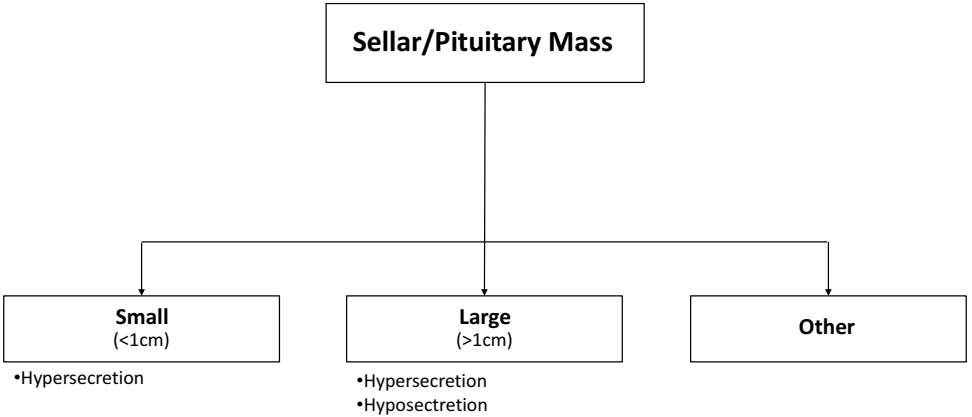

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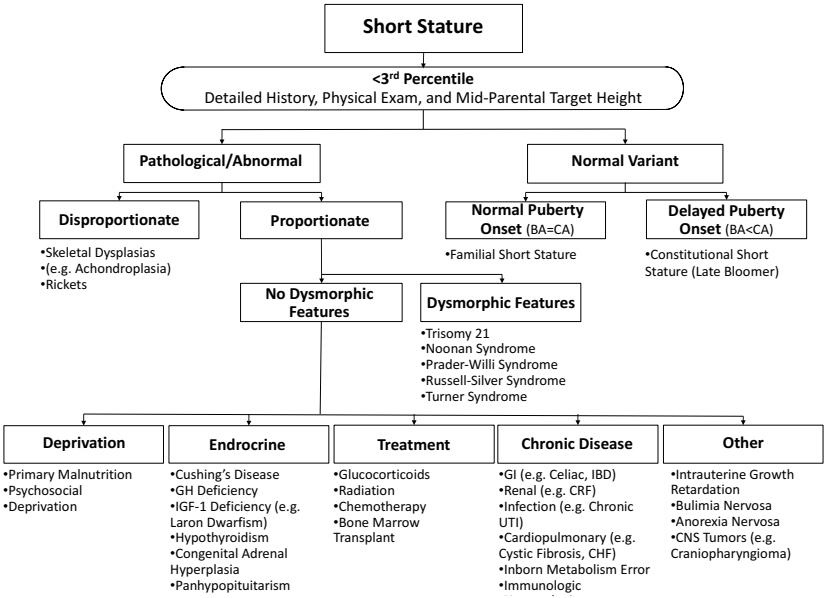

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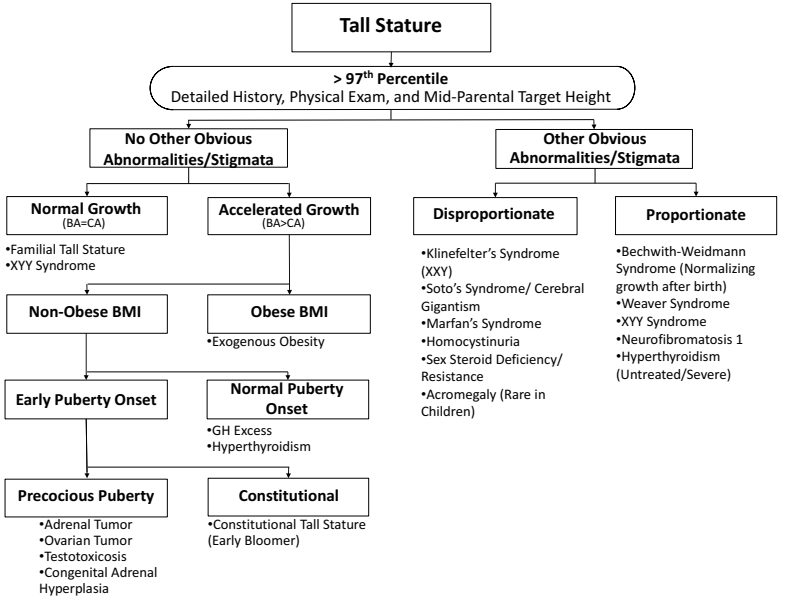

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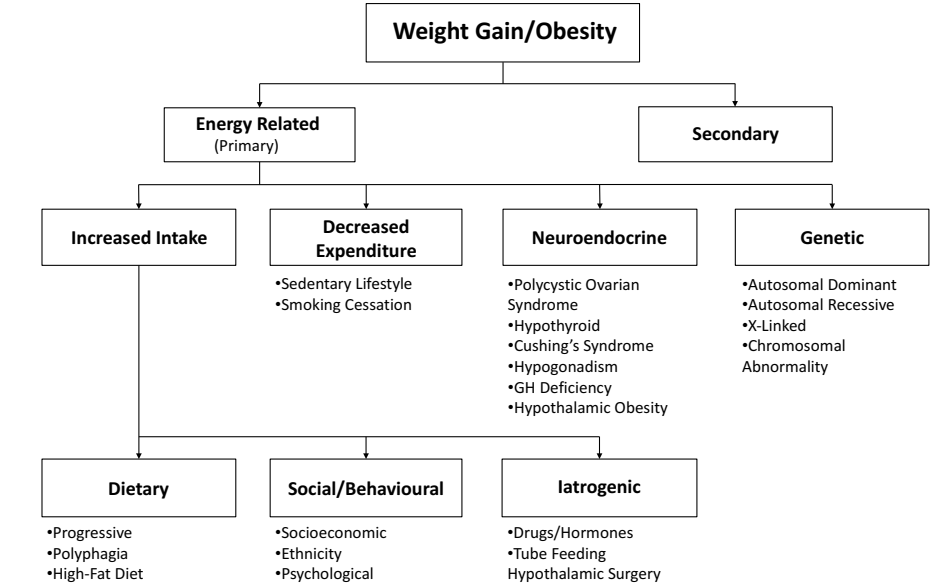

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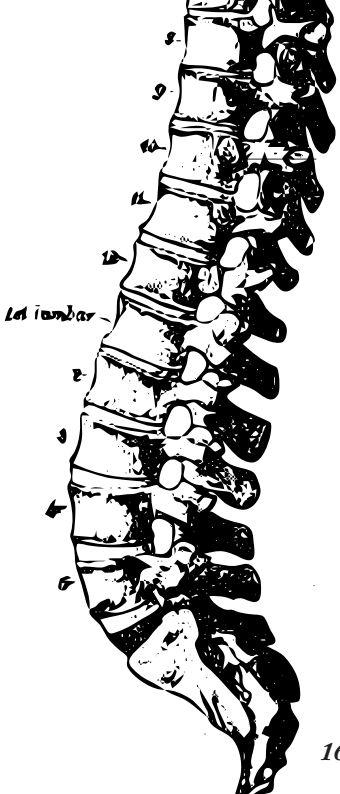

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Altered Level of Consciousness

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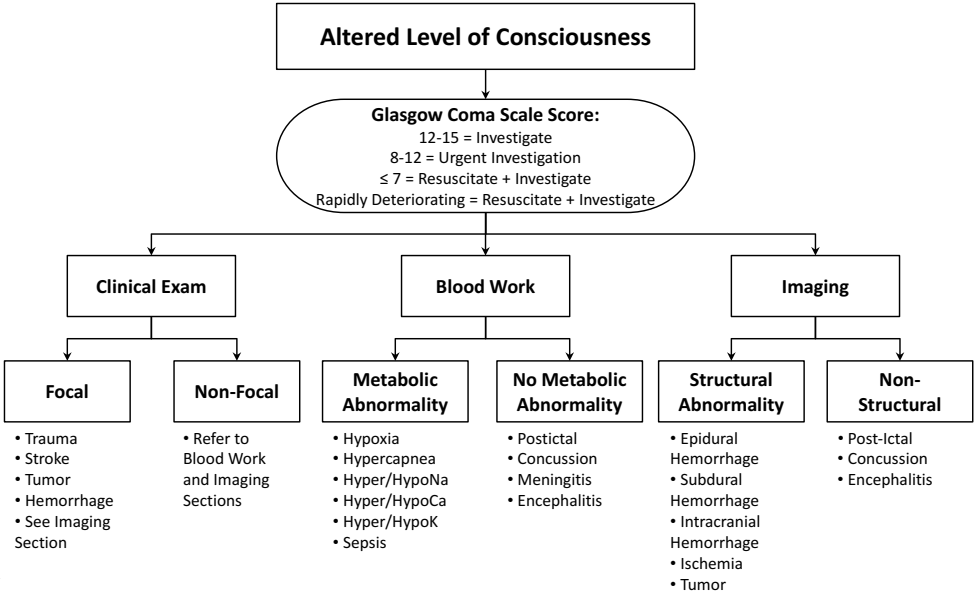
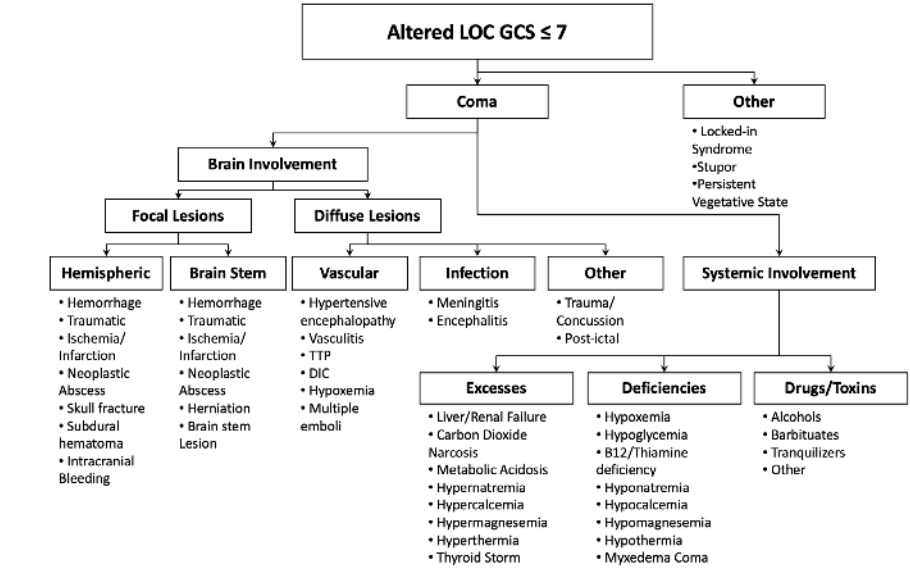


Altered Level of Consciousness

GCS ≤ 7



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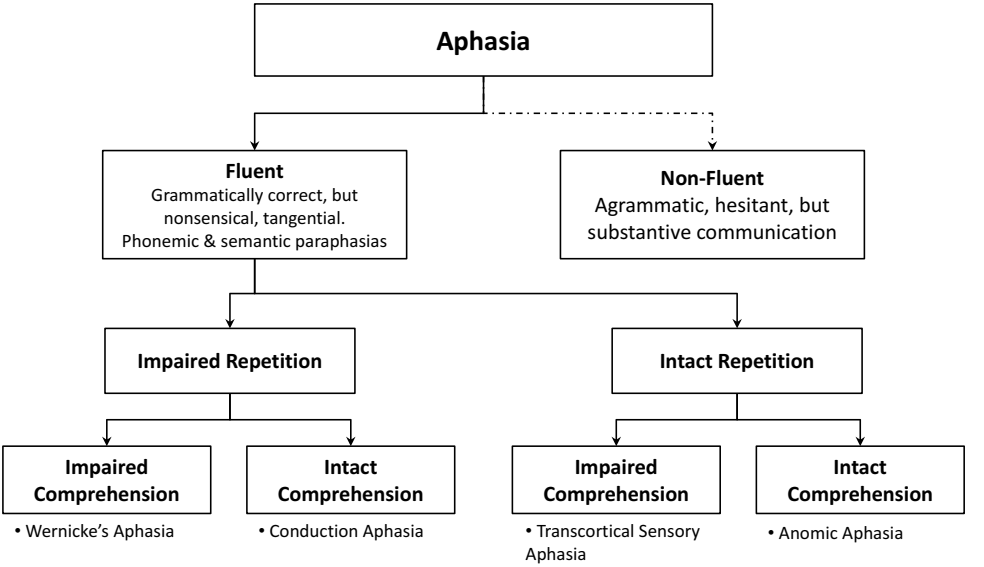

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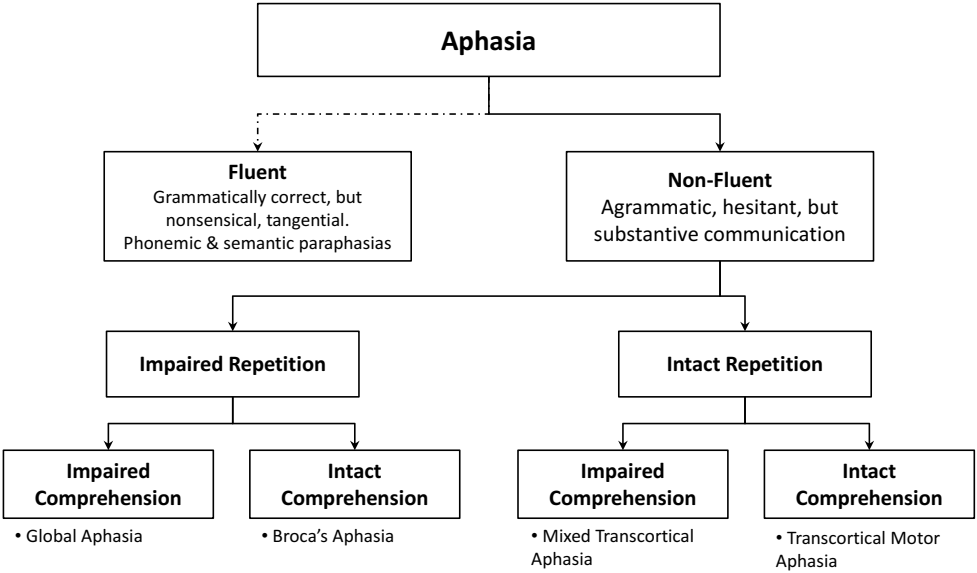

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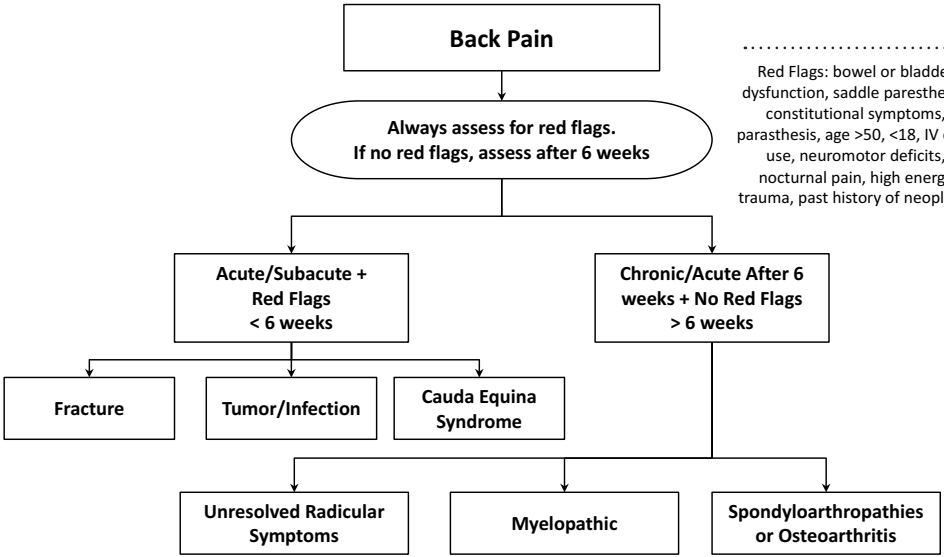
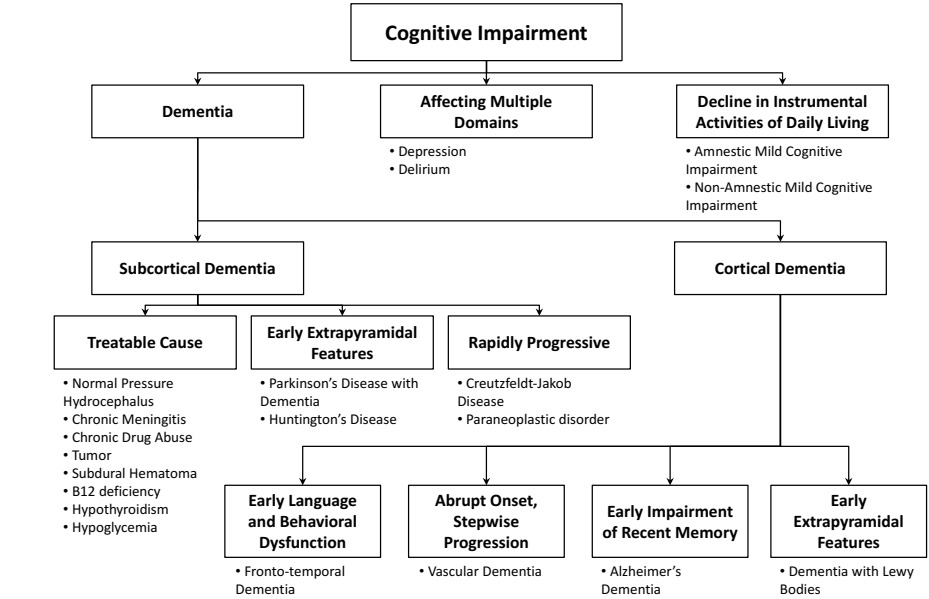

Back Pain
Always assess for red flags.
If no red flags, assess after 6 weeks
Red Flags: bowel or bladder dysfunction, saddle paresthesia, constitutional symptoms, parasthesis, age >50, <18, IV drug use, neuromotor deficits, nocturnal pain, high energy trauma, past history of neoplasm
Acute/Subacute + Red Flags < 6 weeks
Chronic/Acute After 6 weeks + No Red Flags > 6 weeks
Fracture
Tumor/Infection
Cauda Equina Syndrome
Unresolved Radicular Symptoms
Myelopathic
Spondyloarthropathies or Osteoarthritis

Cognitive Impairment



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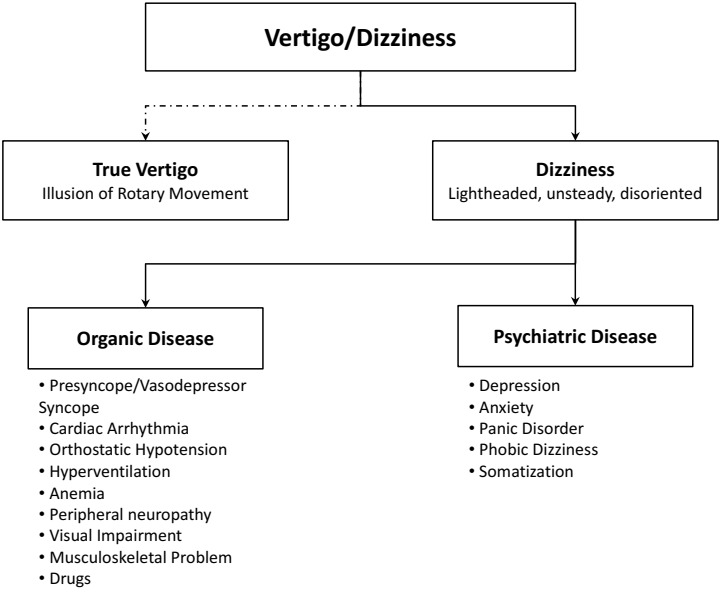

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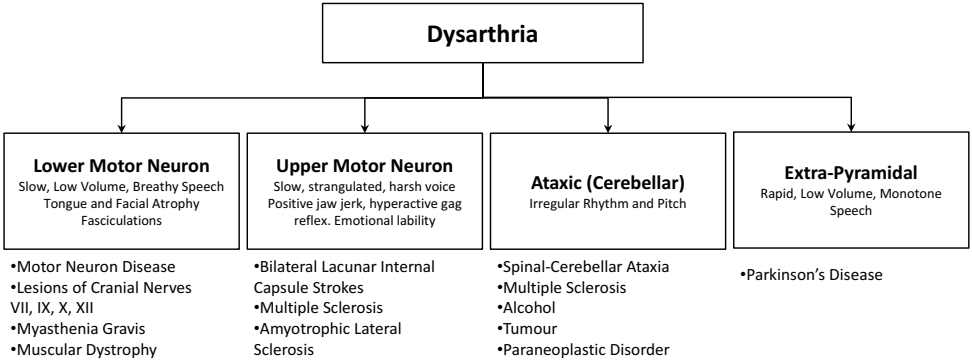
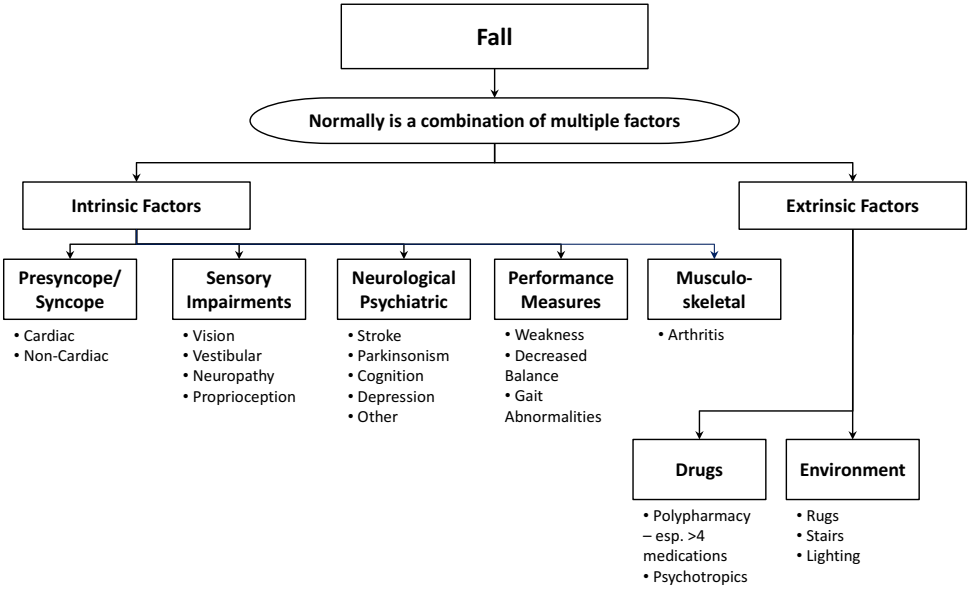


Falls in the Elderly



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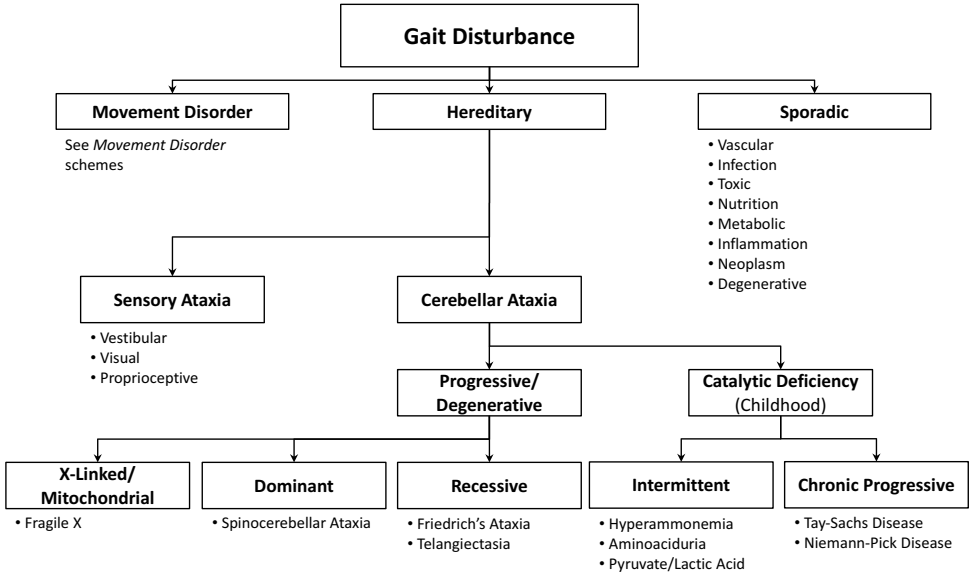
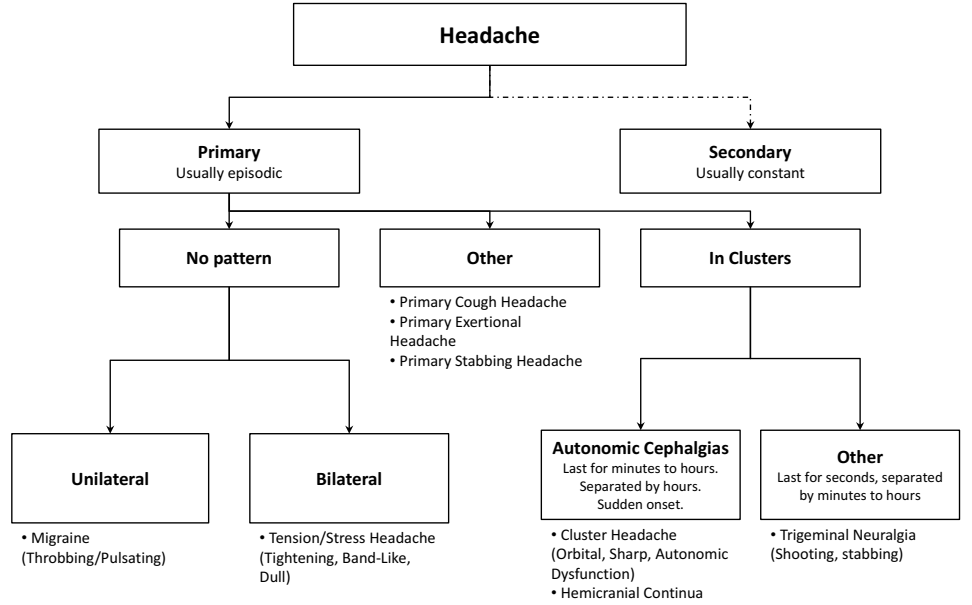


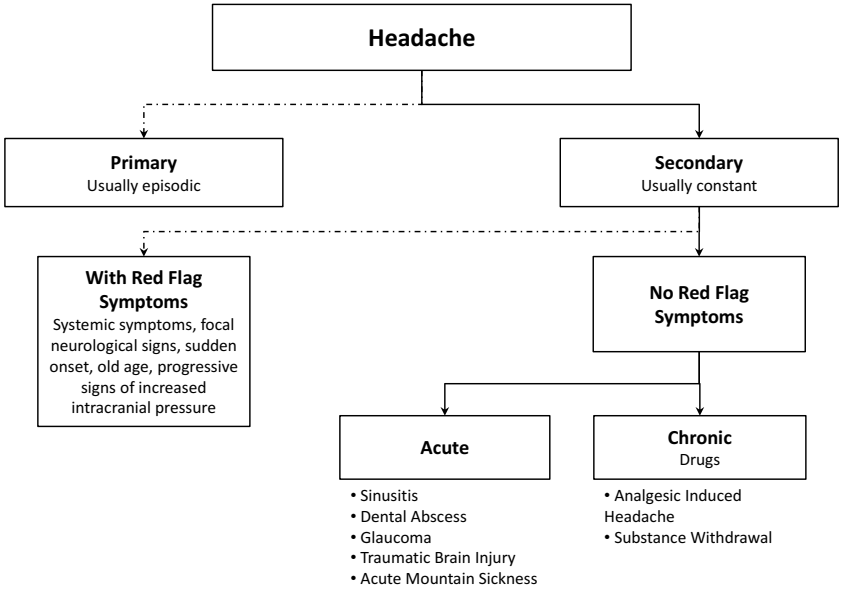
Headache

Primary



Headache

Secondary, without Red Flag Symptoms



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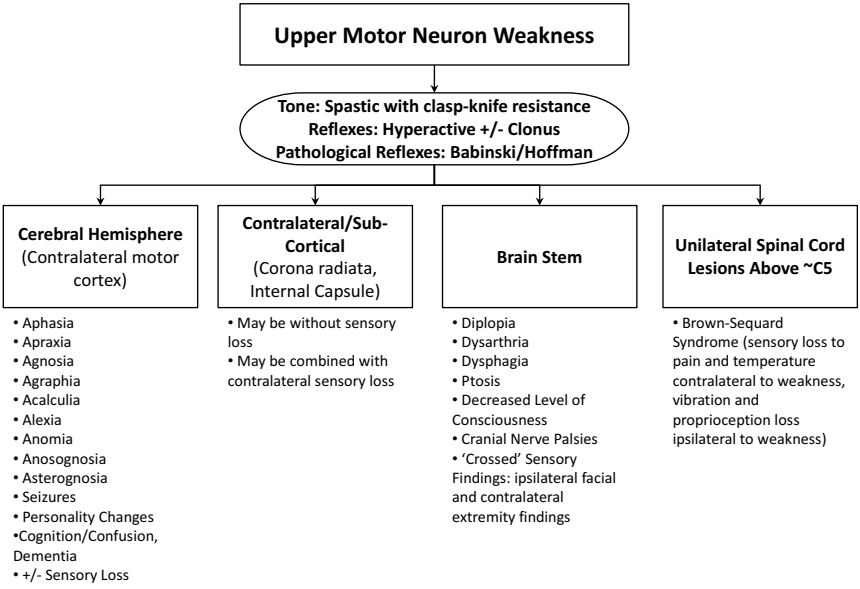

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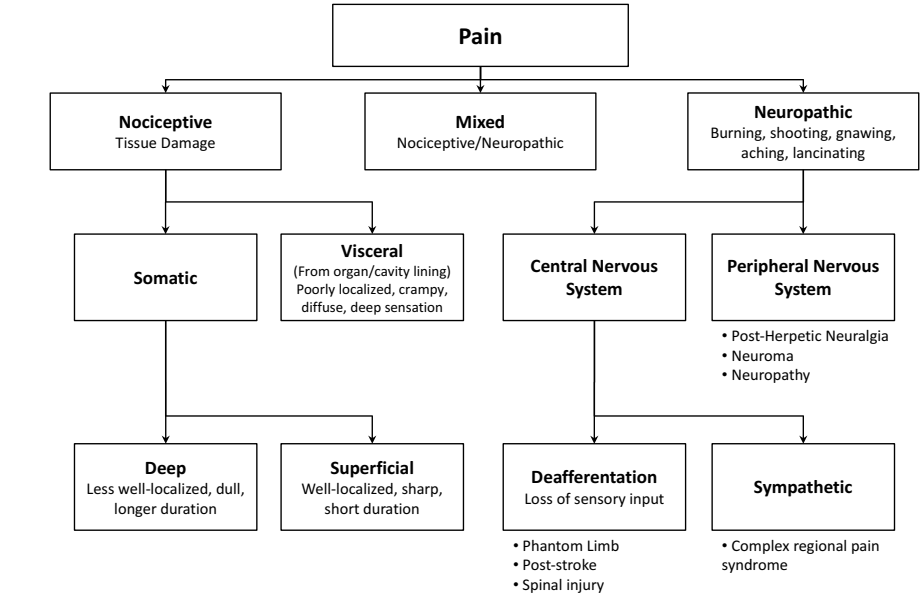
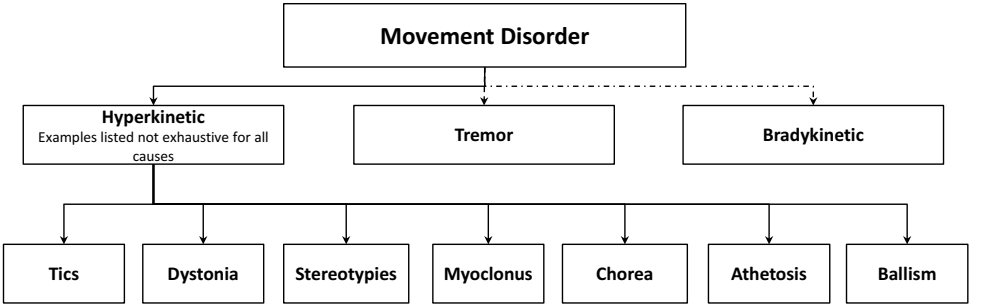


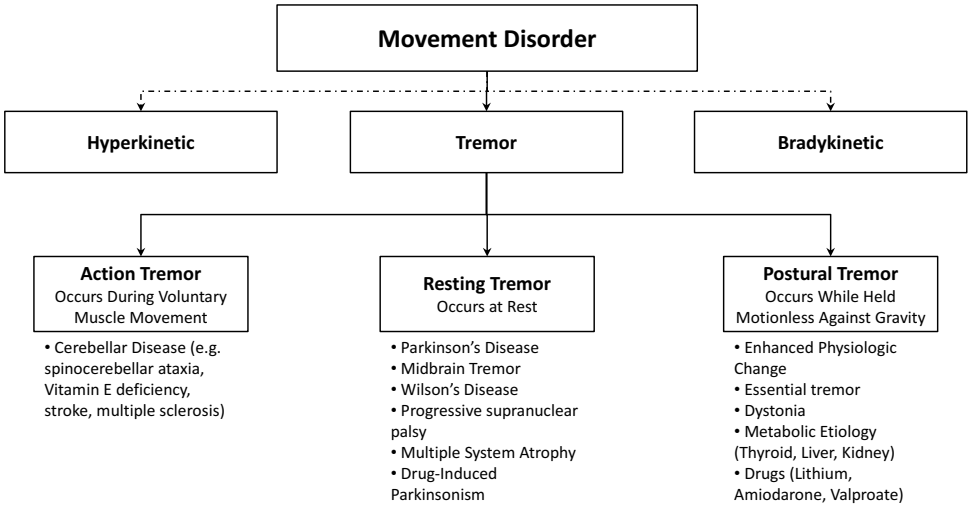
Movement Disorder

Hyperkinetic



Movement Disorder

Tremor



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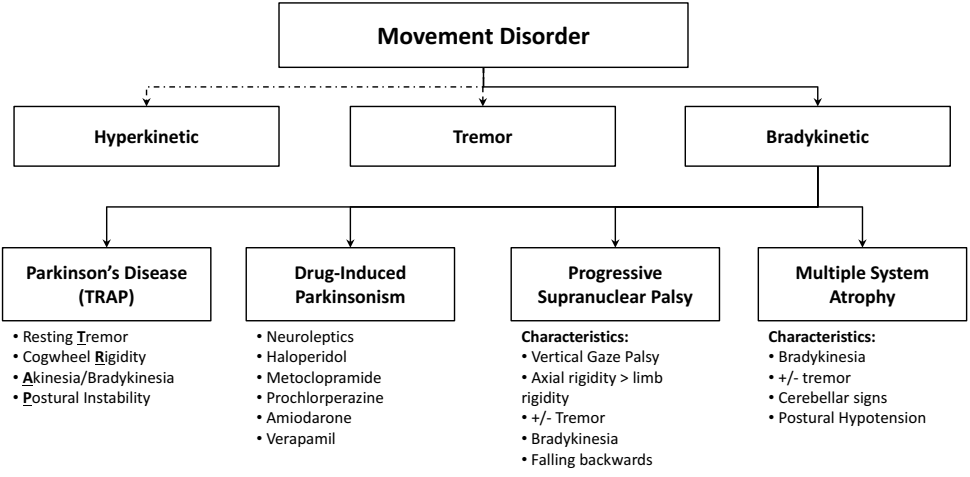

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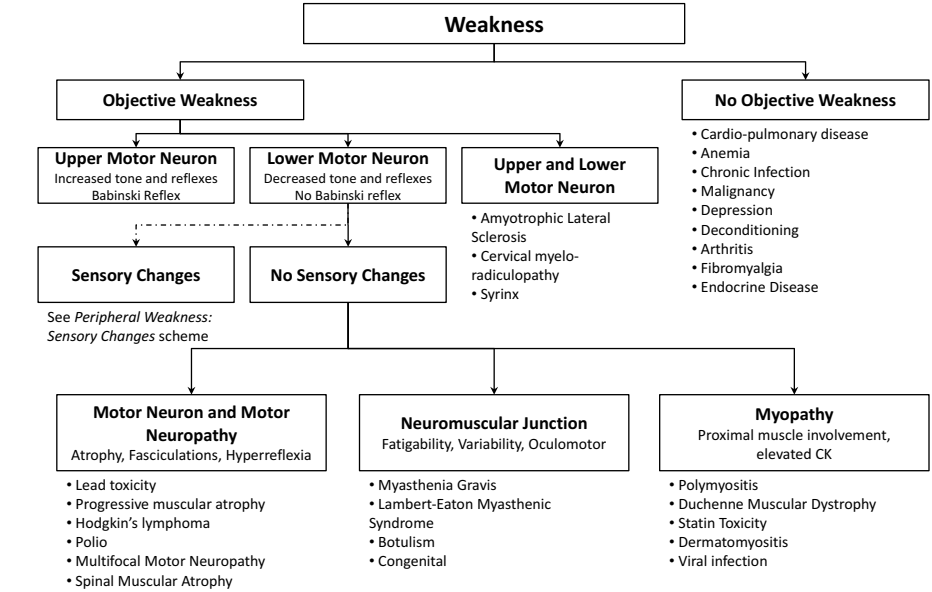

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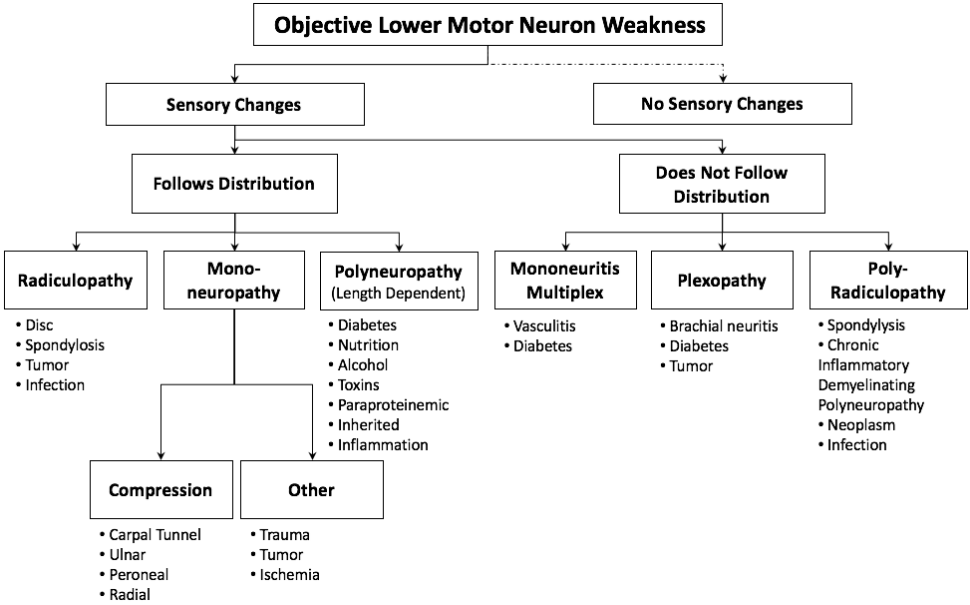

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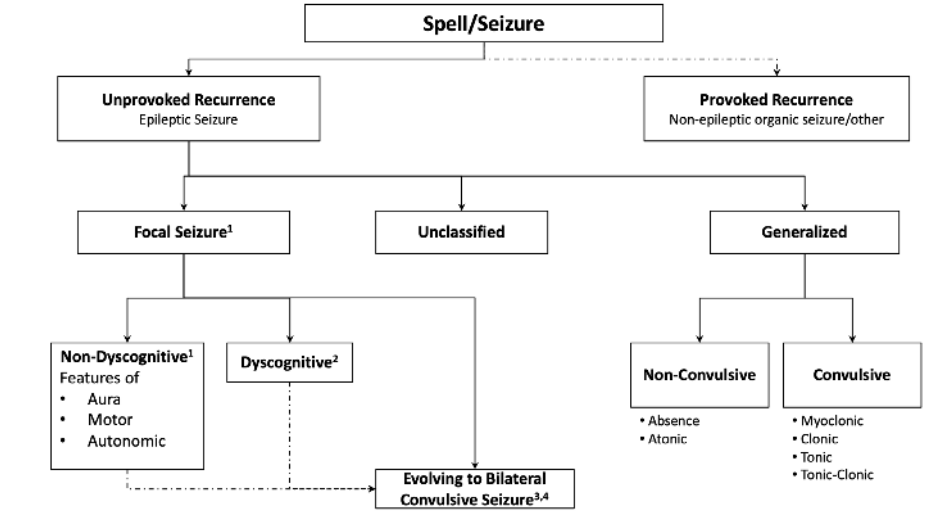
Epileptic Seizure



1 Previously named Simple Partial Seizure
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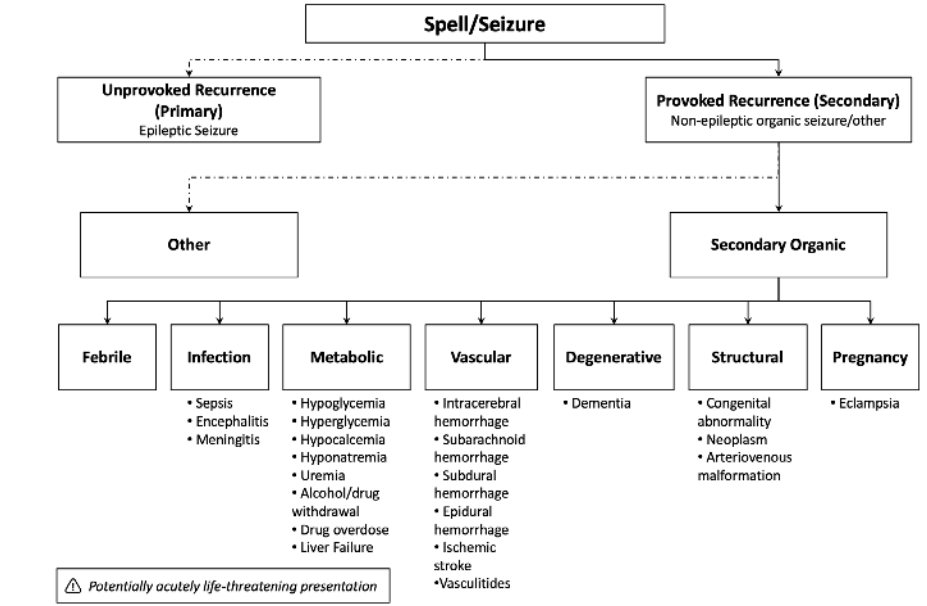
Spell / Seizure

Secondary Organic



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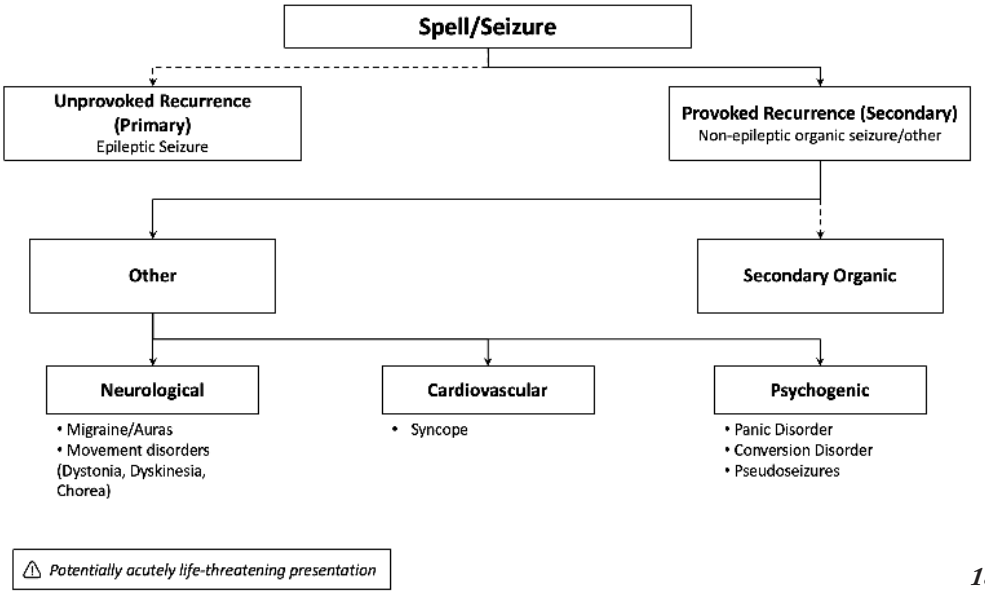

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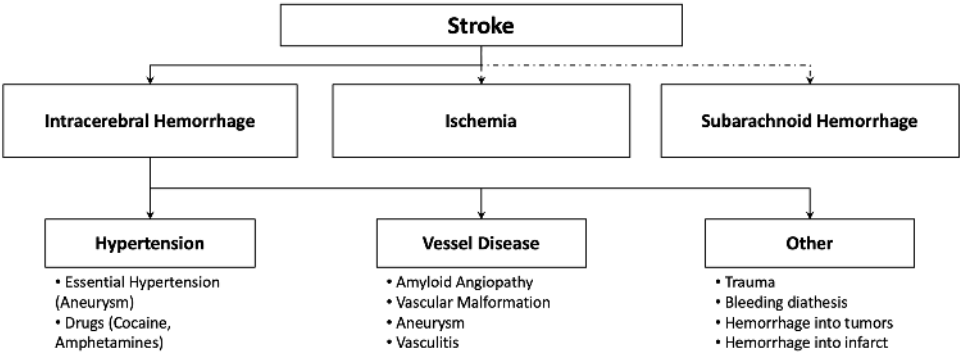

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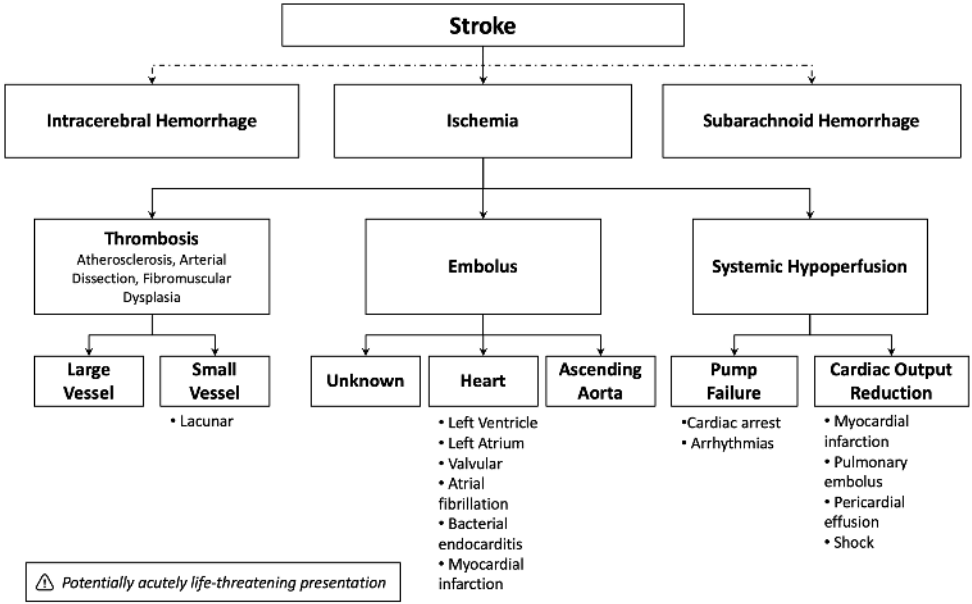

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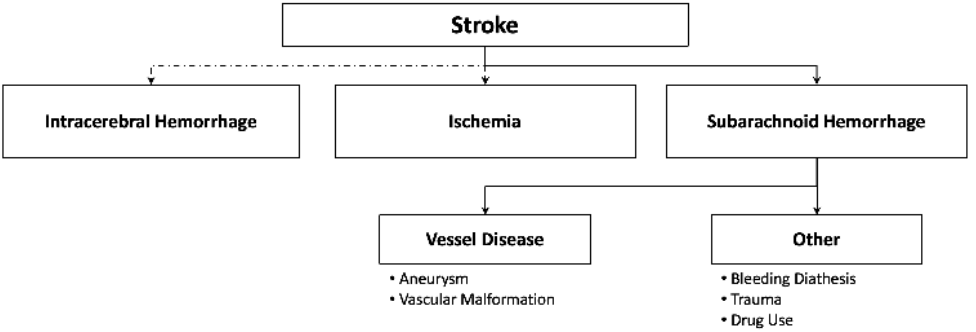

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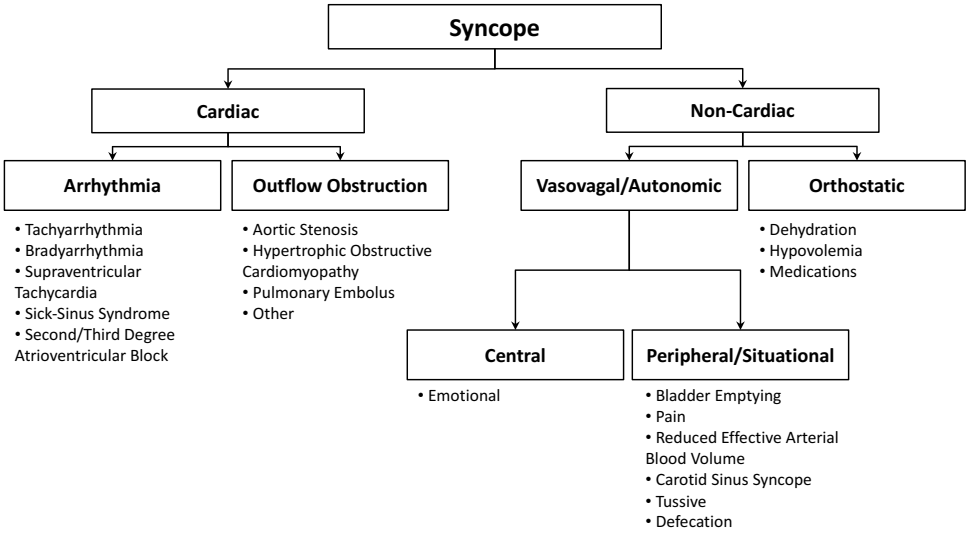

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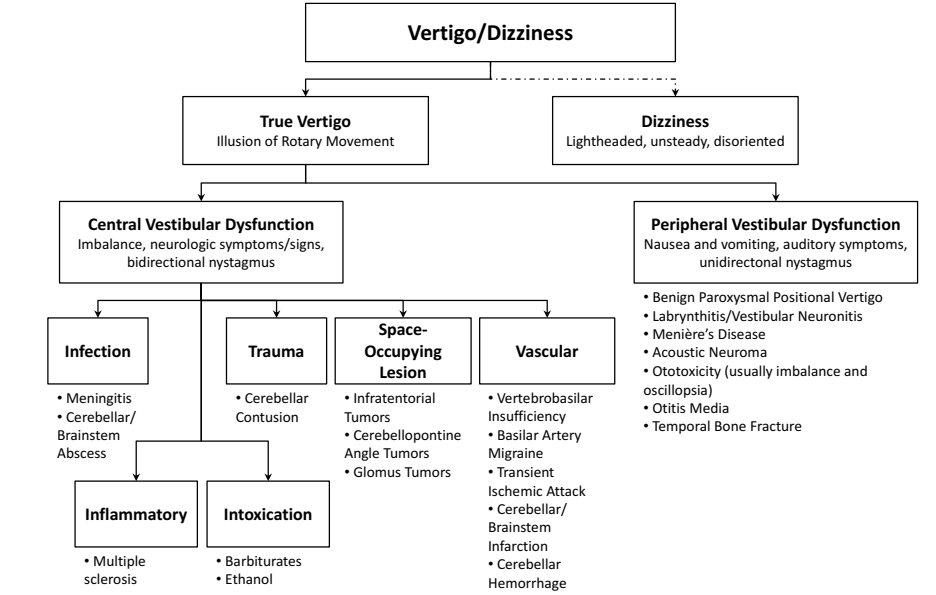

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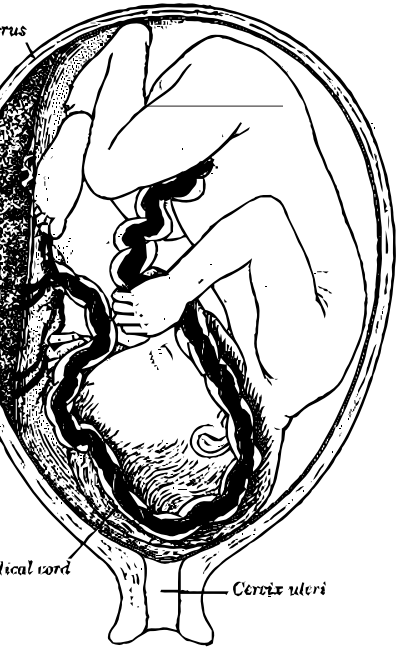

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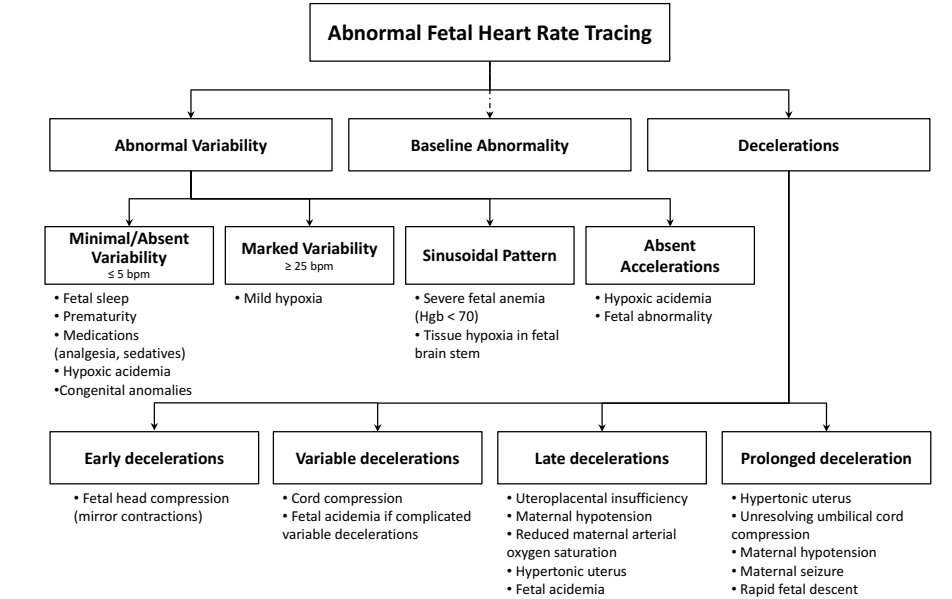

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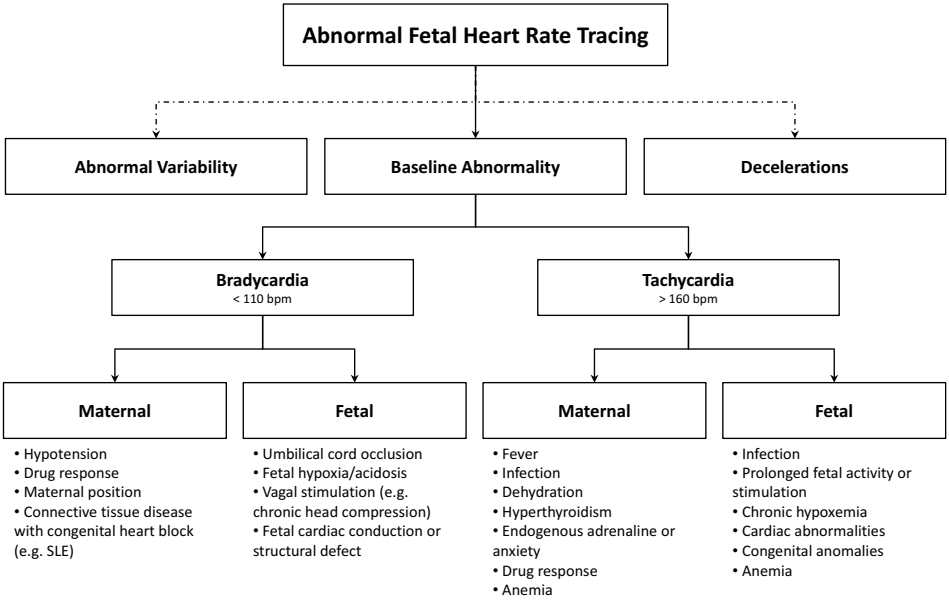

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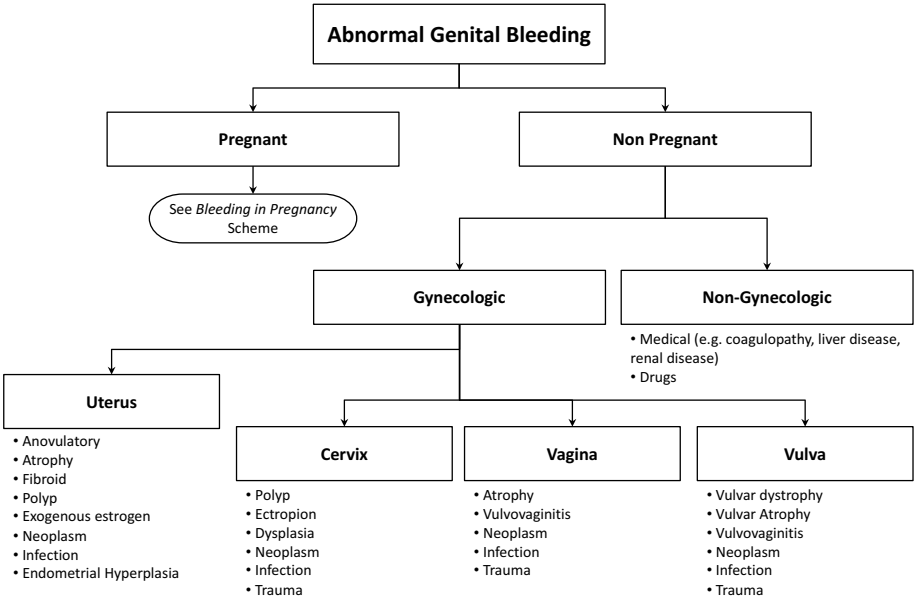

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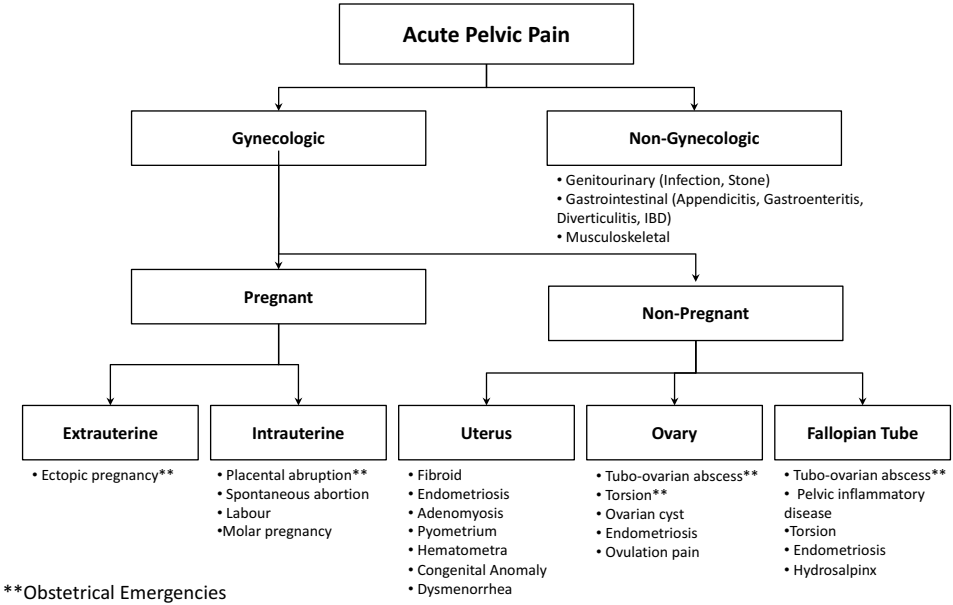

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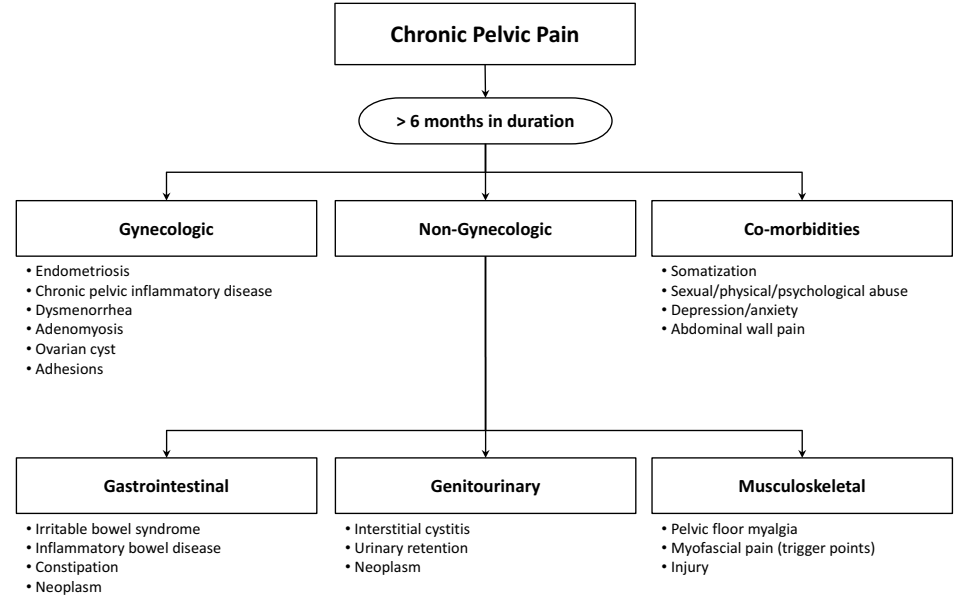

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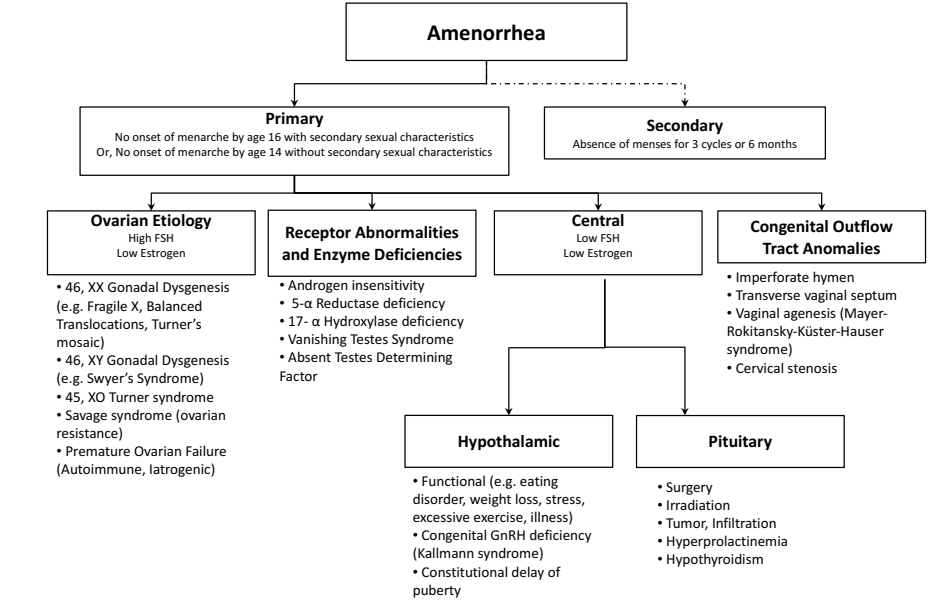

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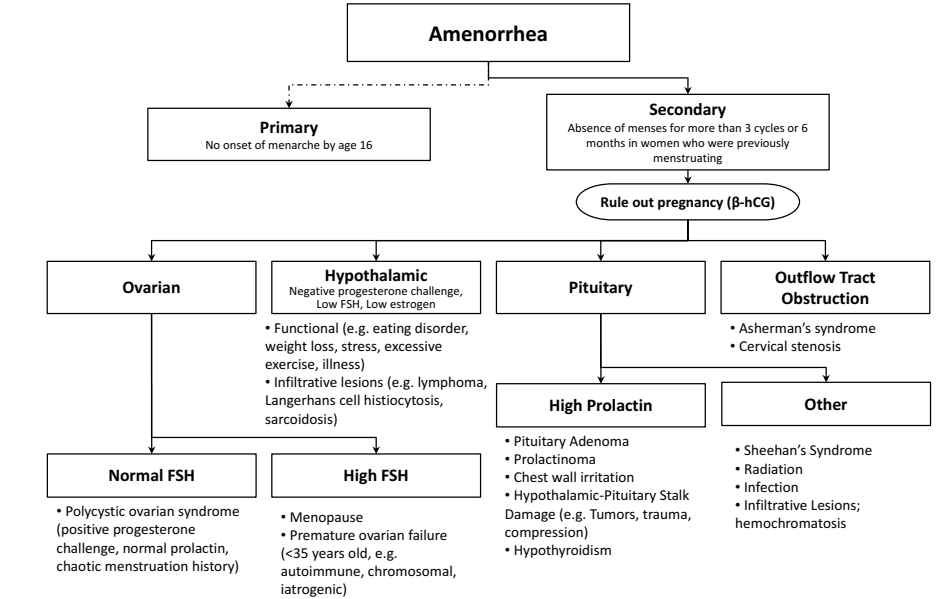

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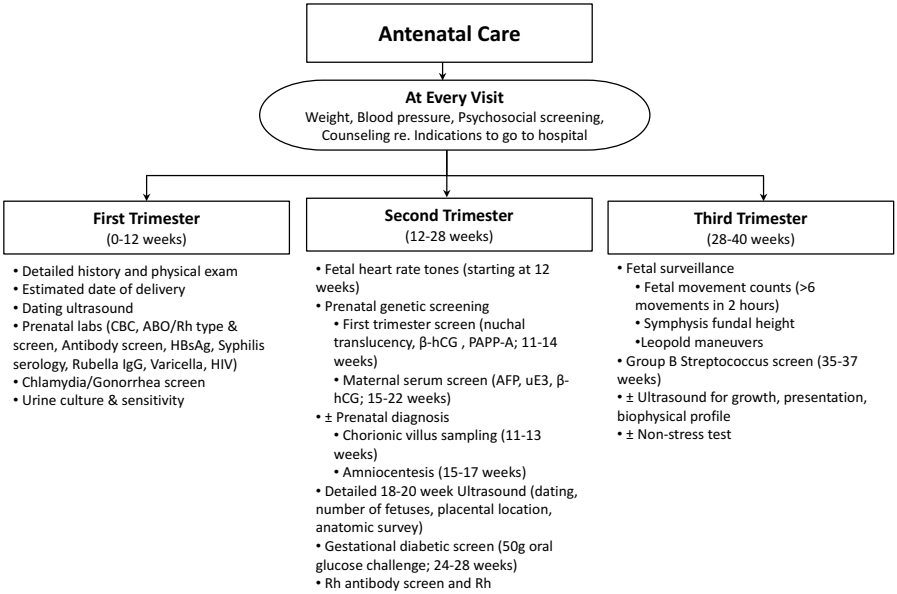

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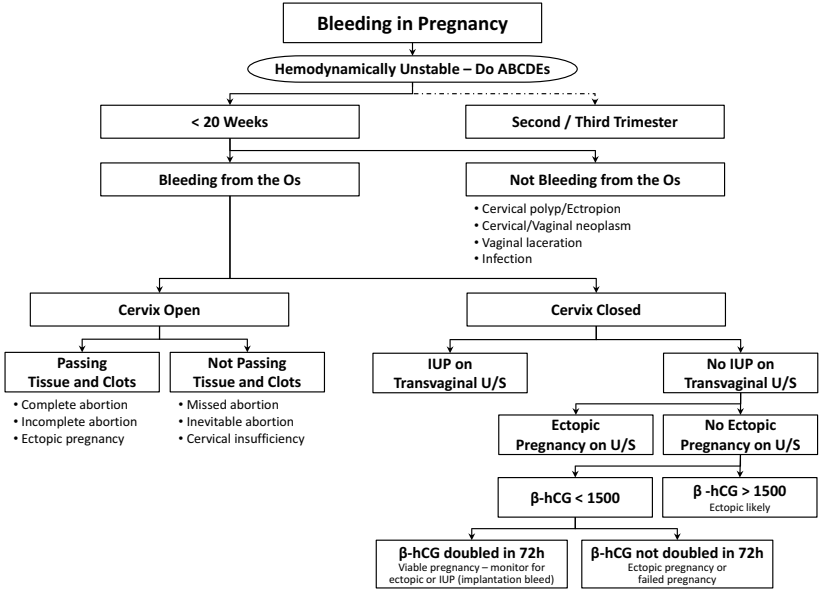
< 20 Weeks



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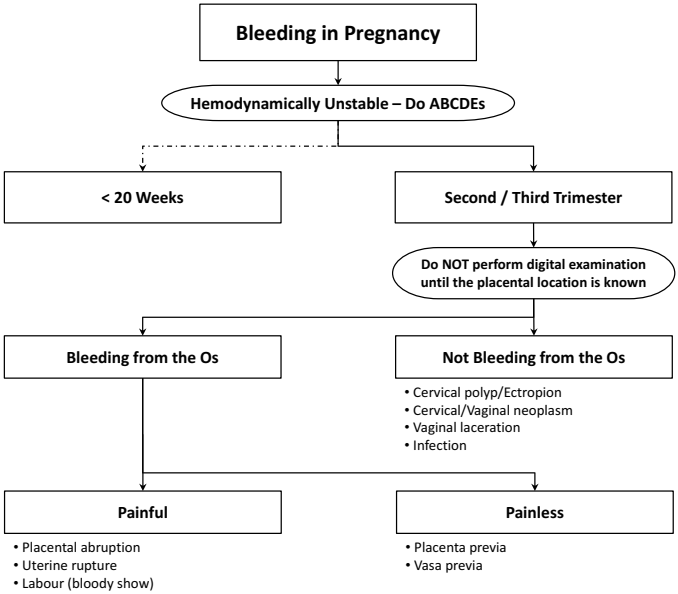

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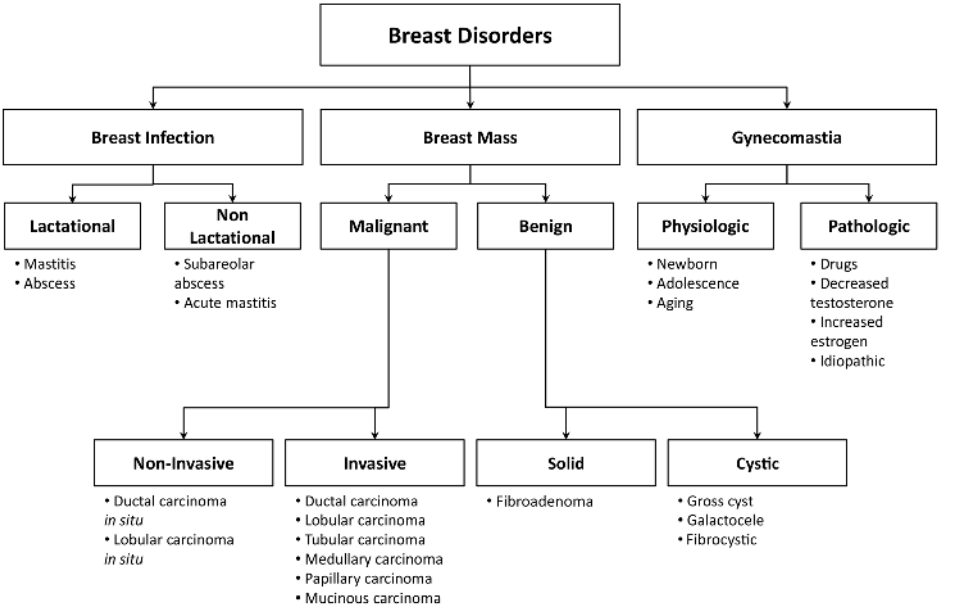

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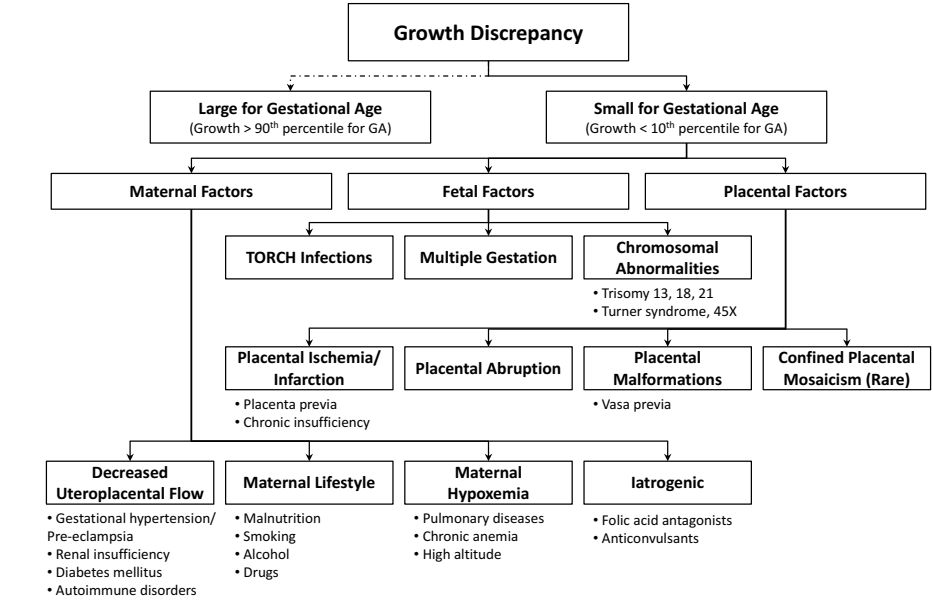

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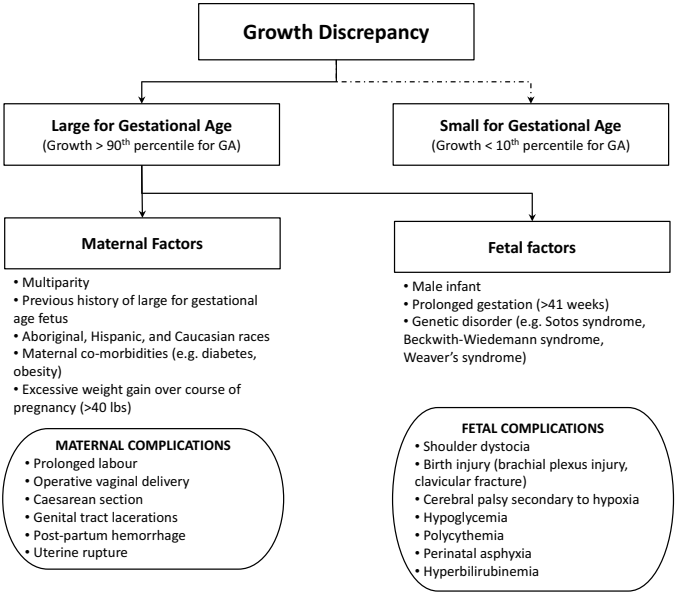

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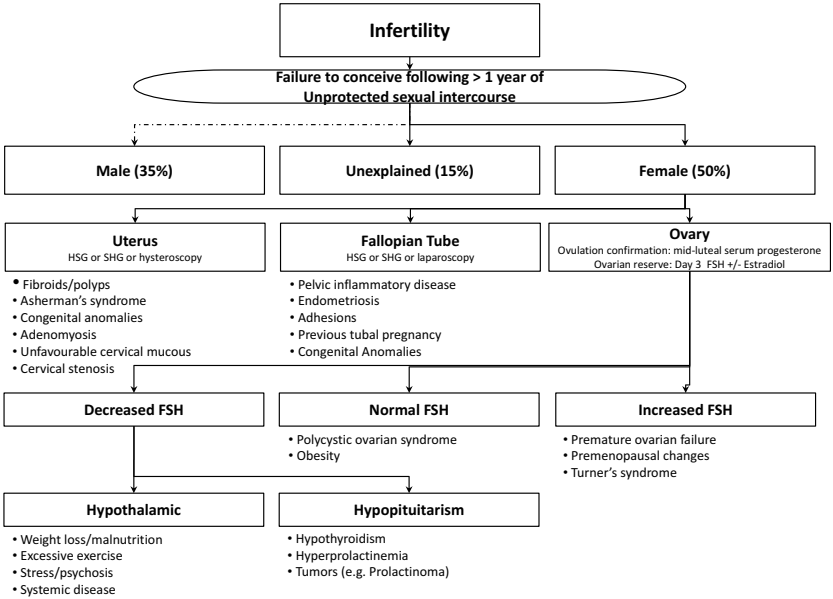

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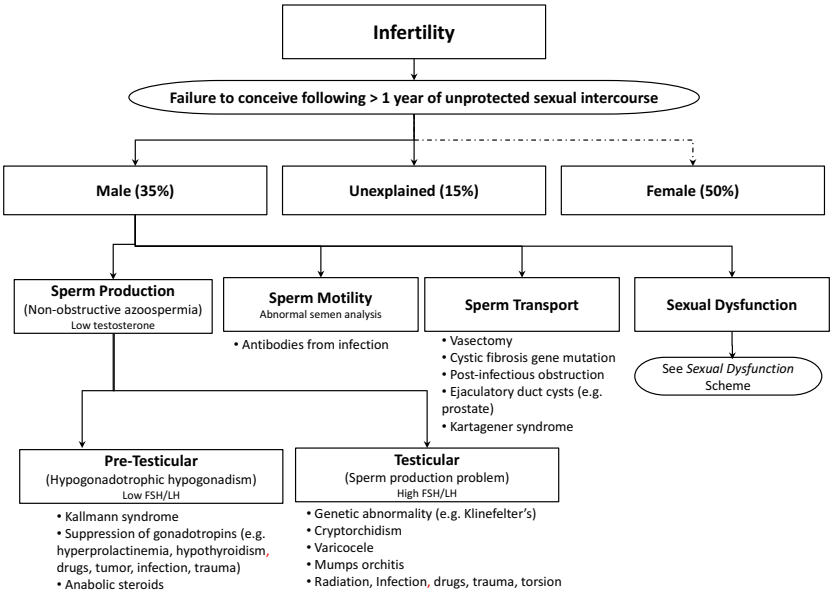

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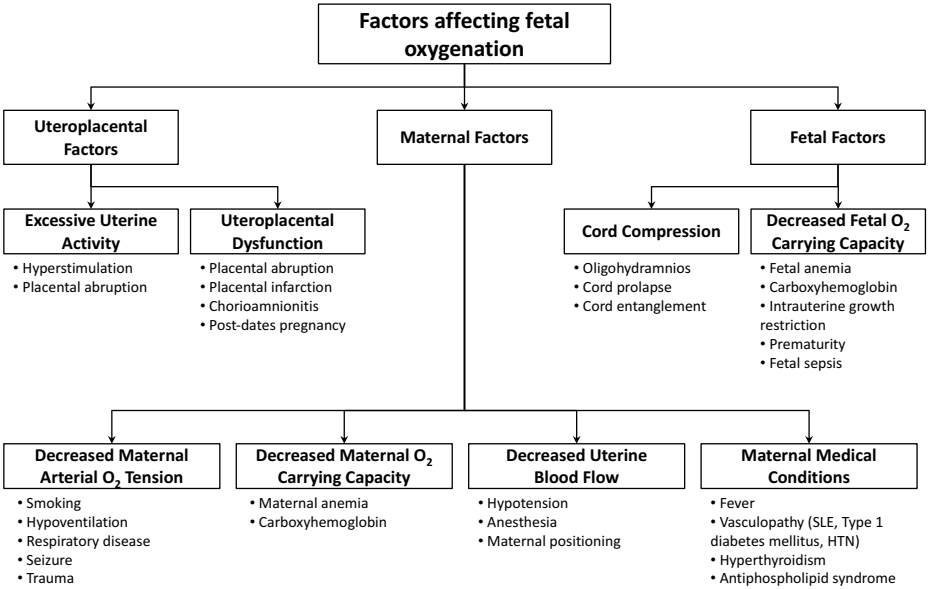

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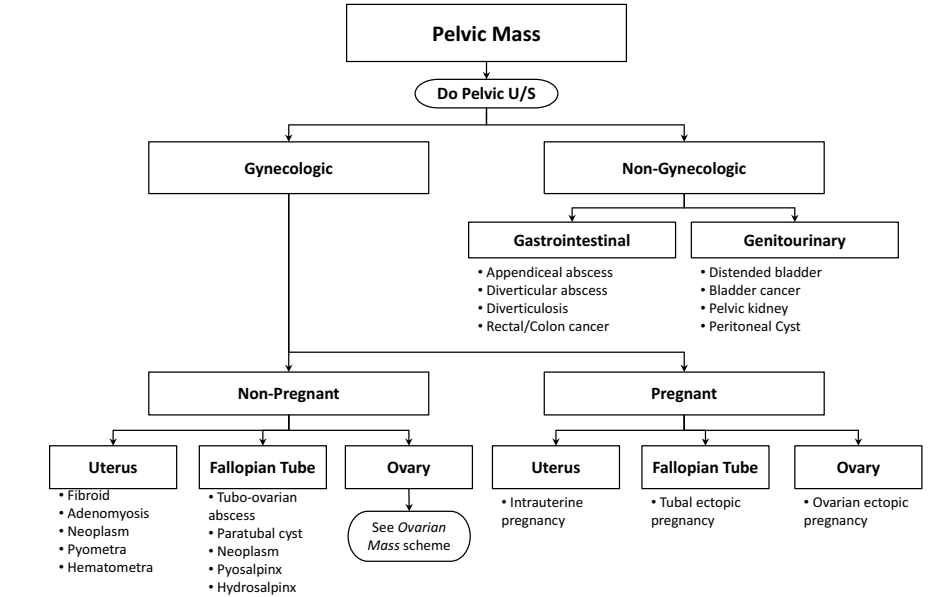

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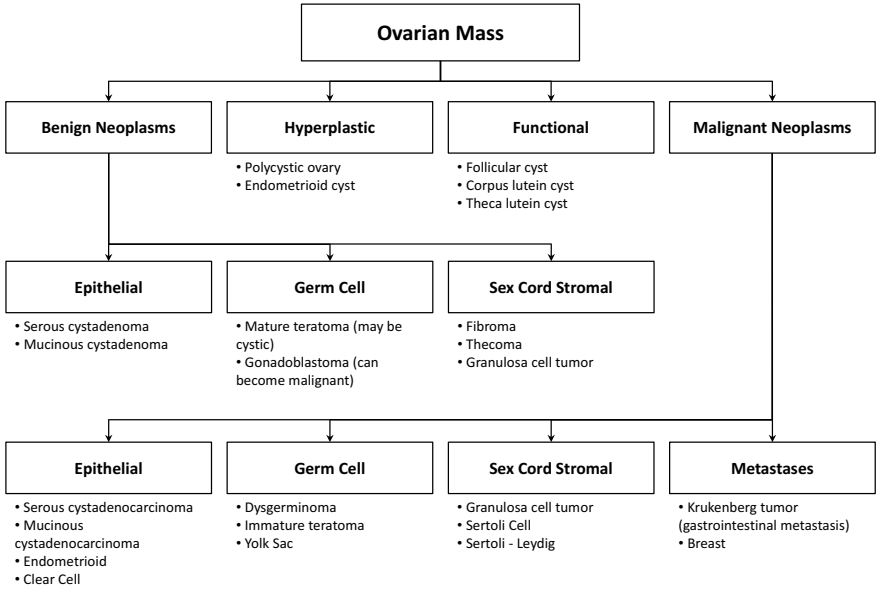

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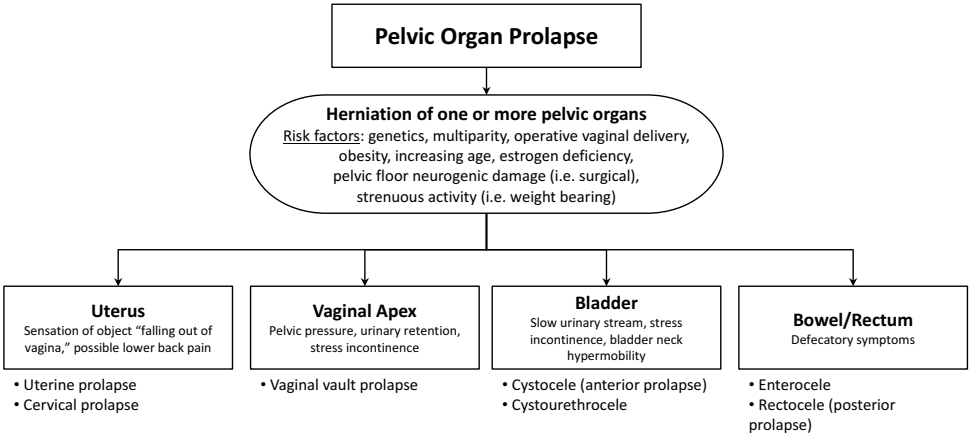

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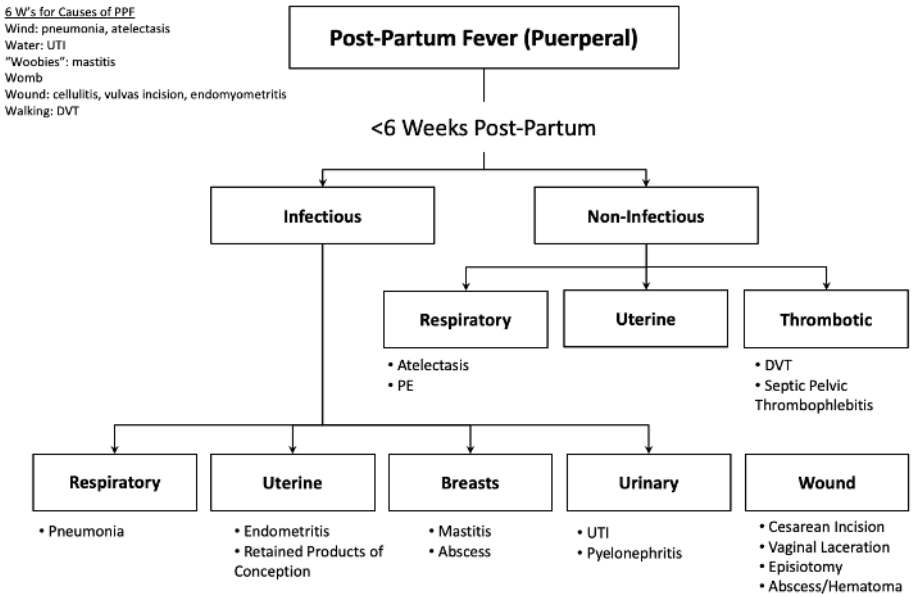

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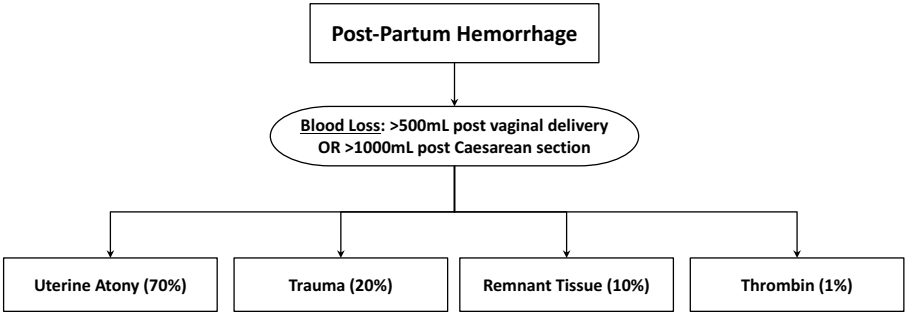

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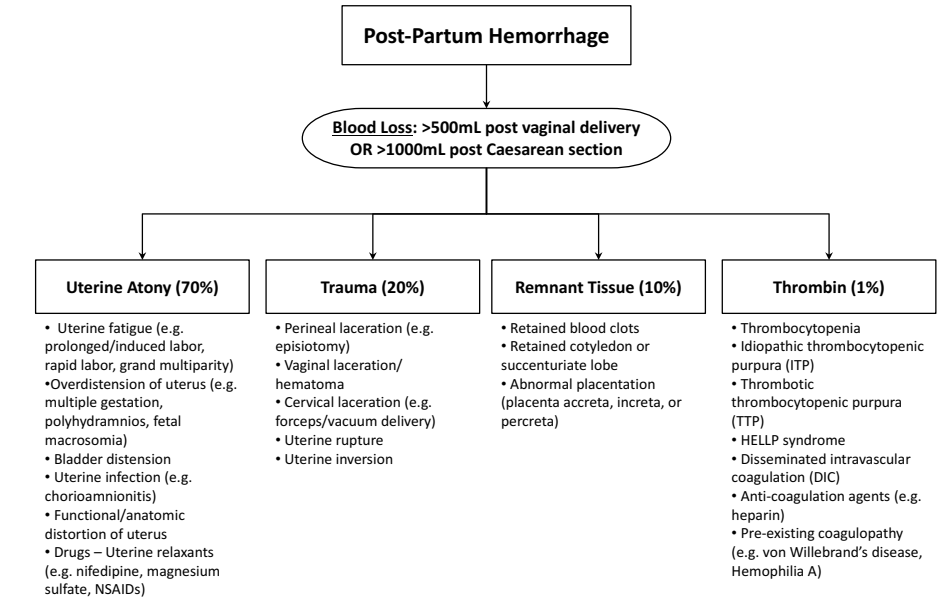

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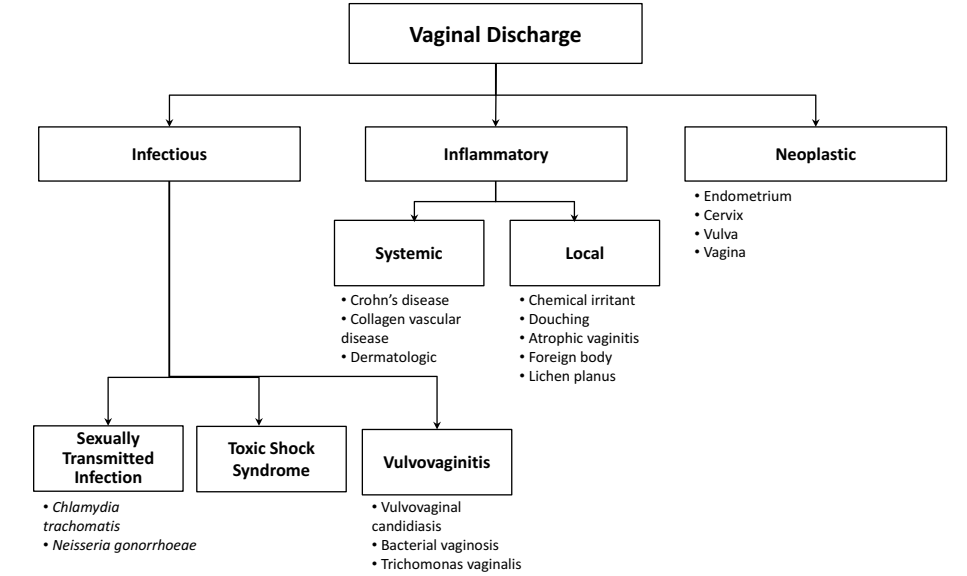

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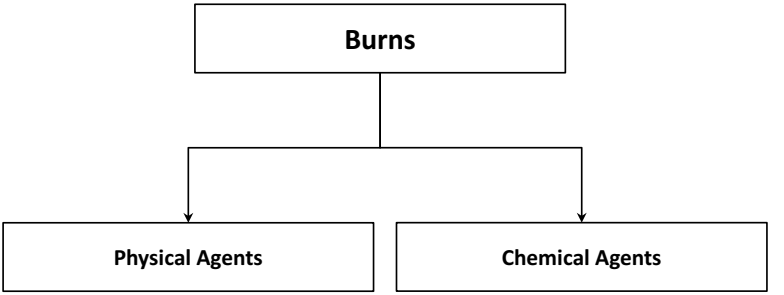

Parkland formula for fluid resuscitation:
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Dermatoses in Pregnancy

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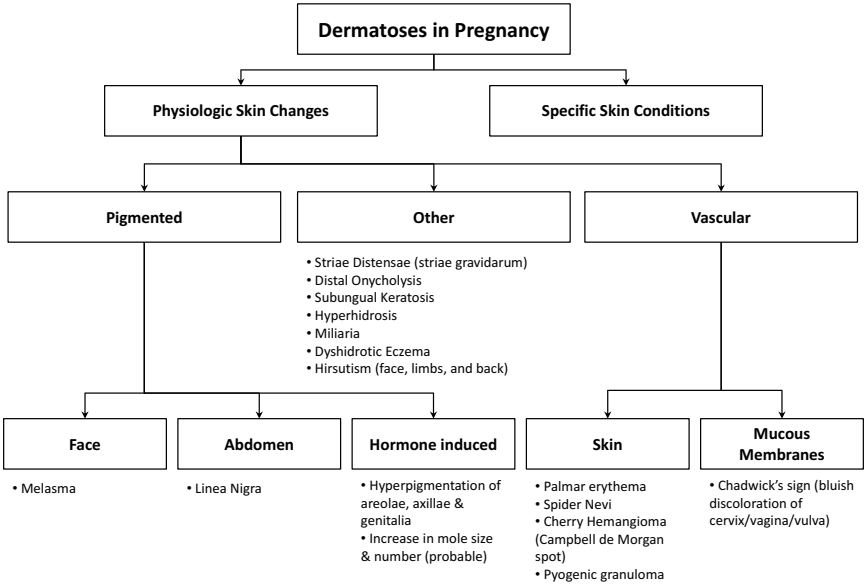

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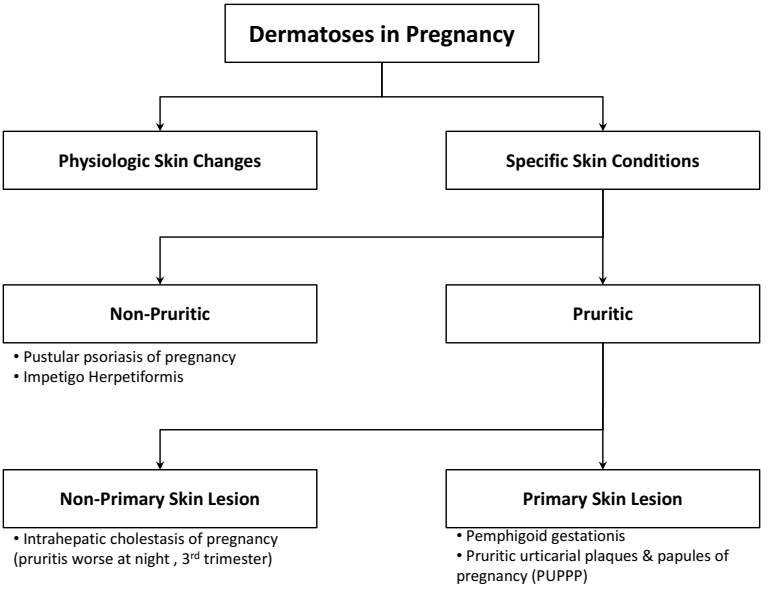

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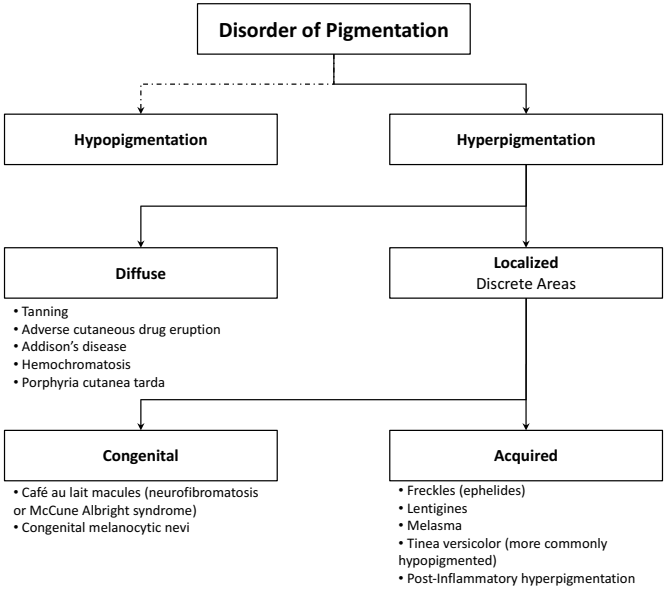

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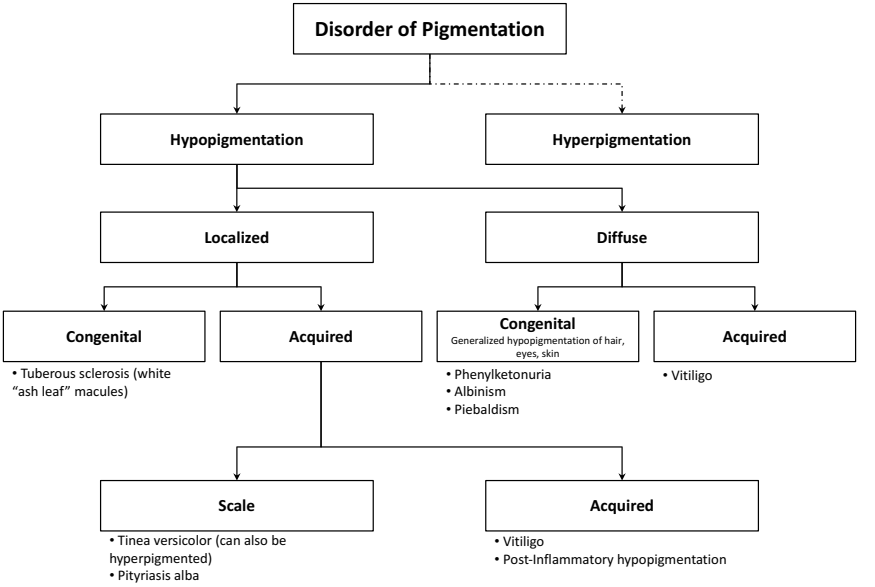

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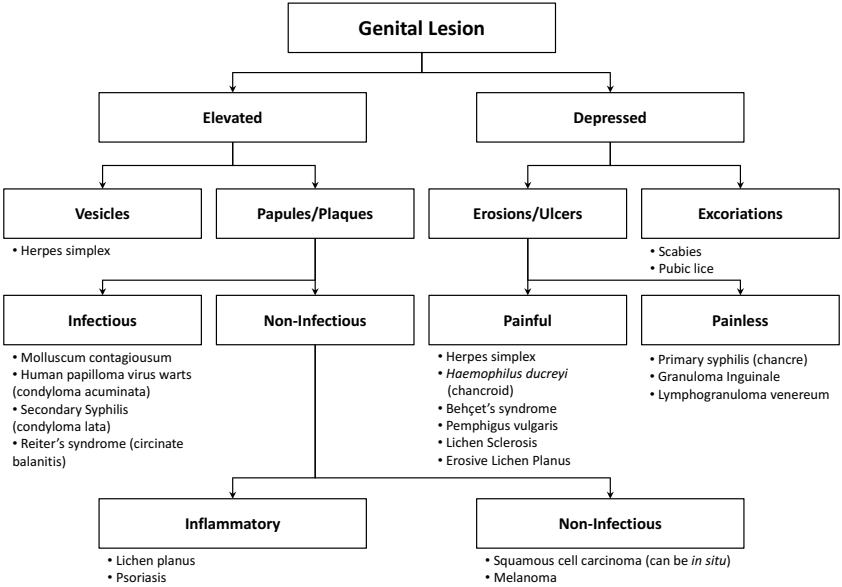

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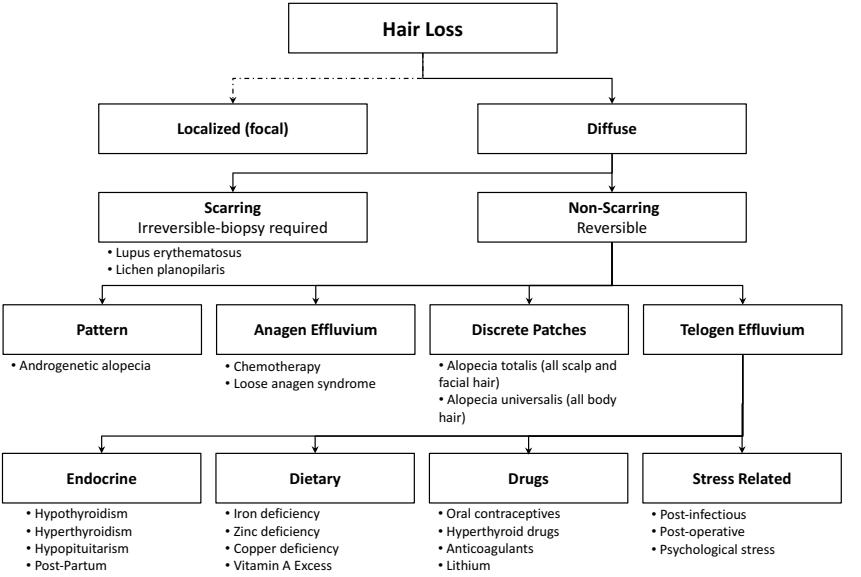

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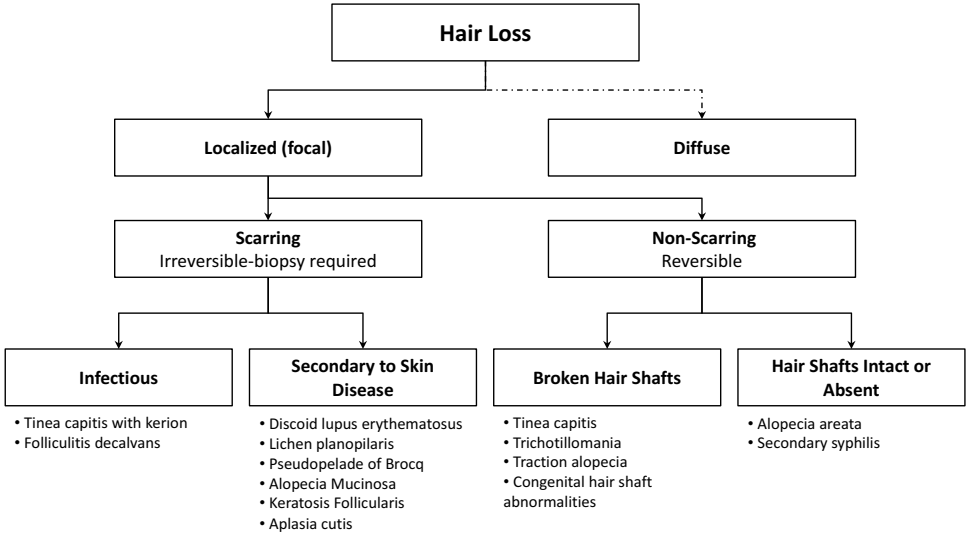

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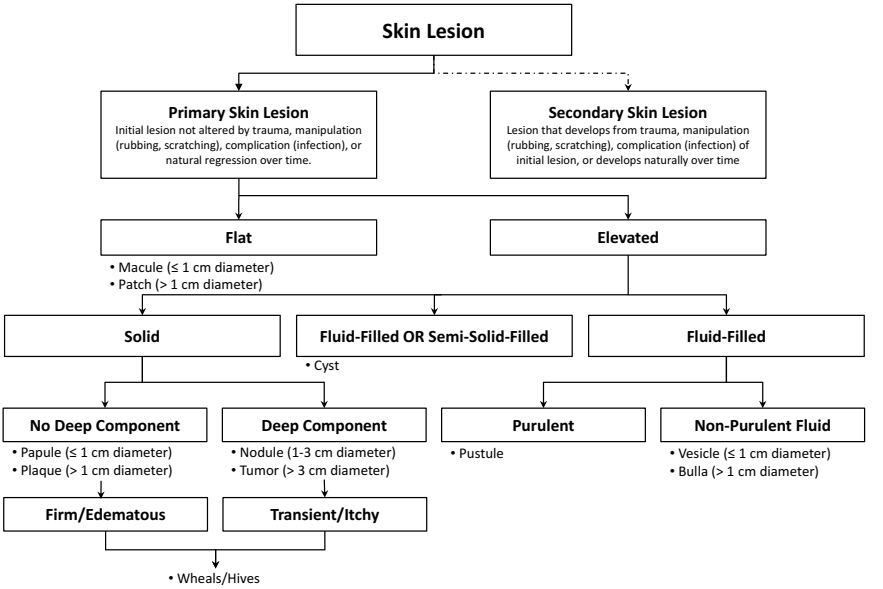

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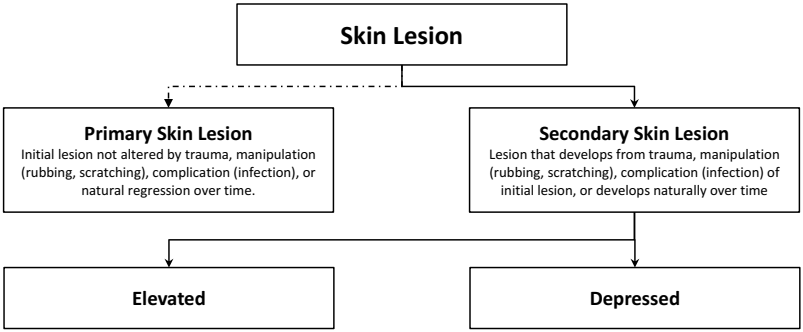
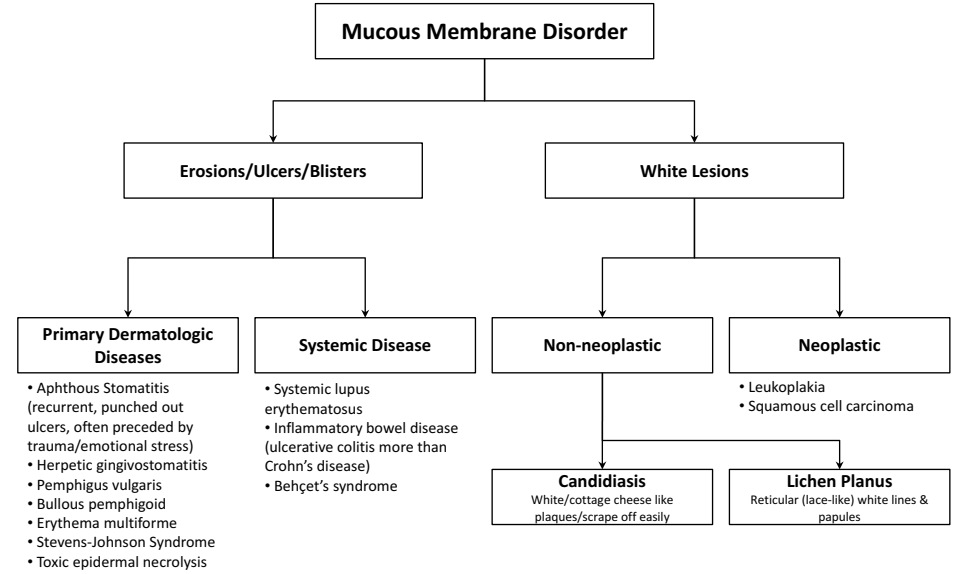


Mucous Membrane Disorder

Oral Cavity



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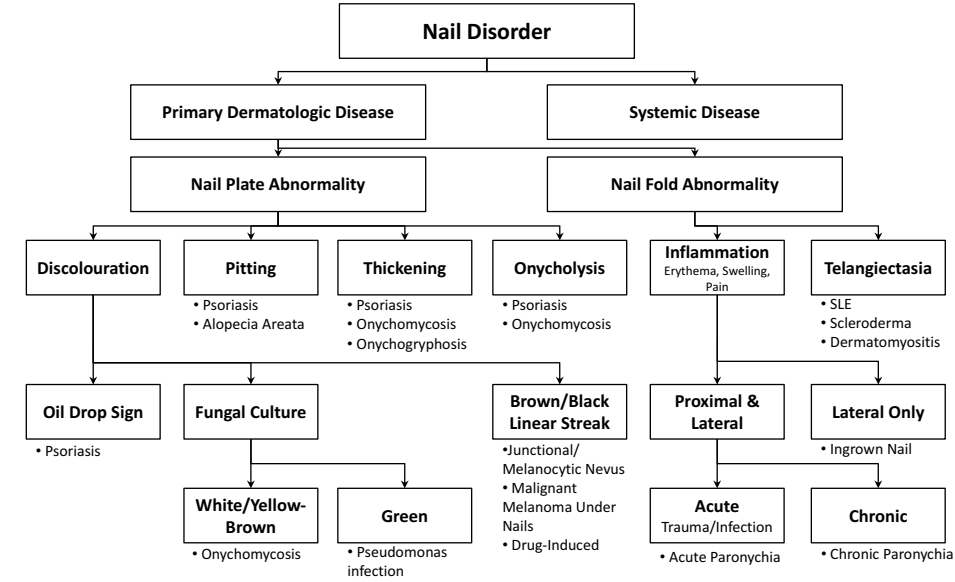
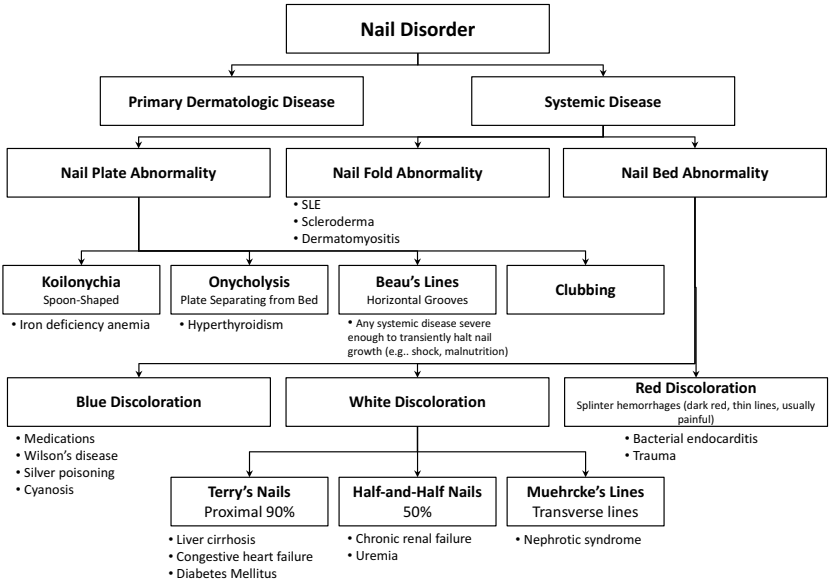
Primary Dermatologic Disease



Nail Disorders

Systemic Disease



Nail Disorders

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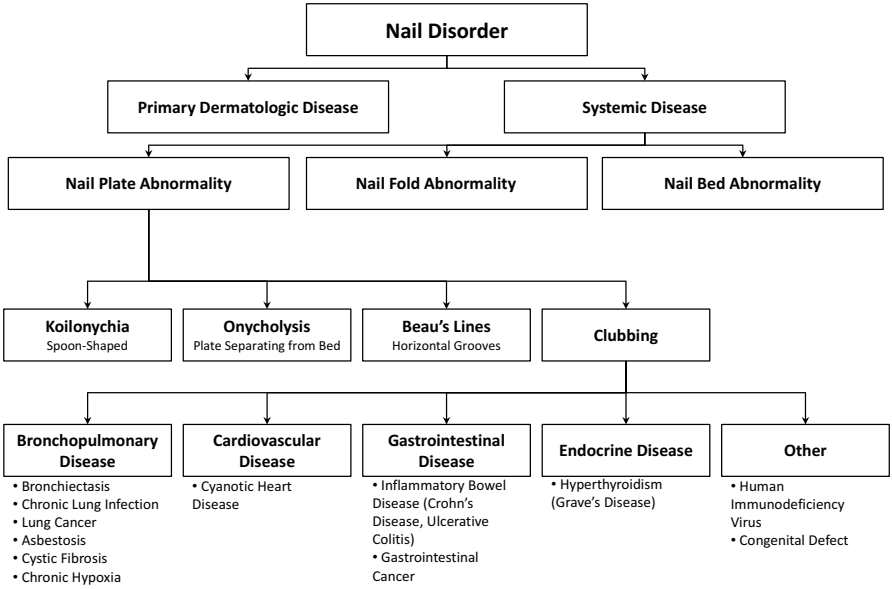

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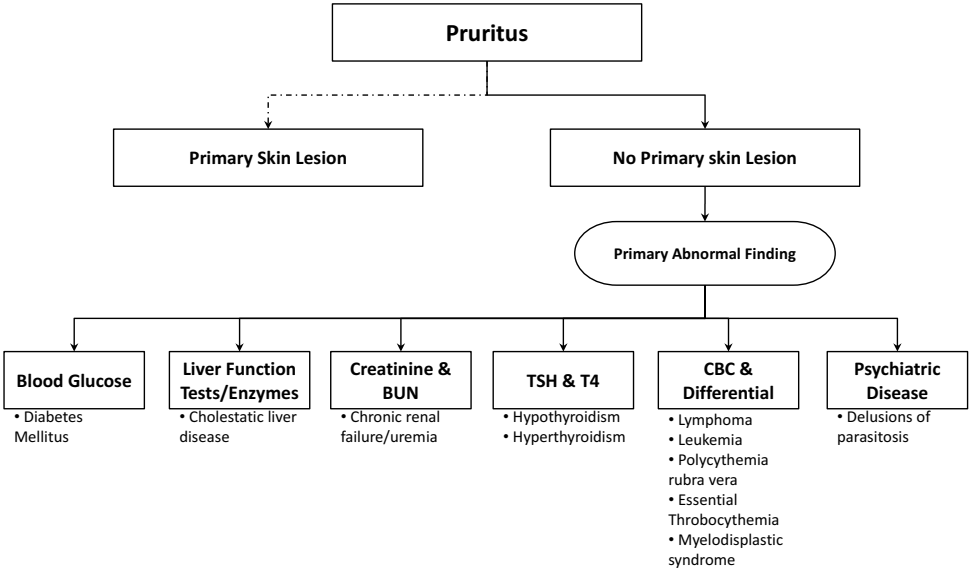

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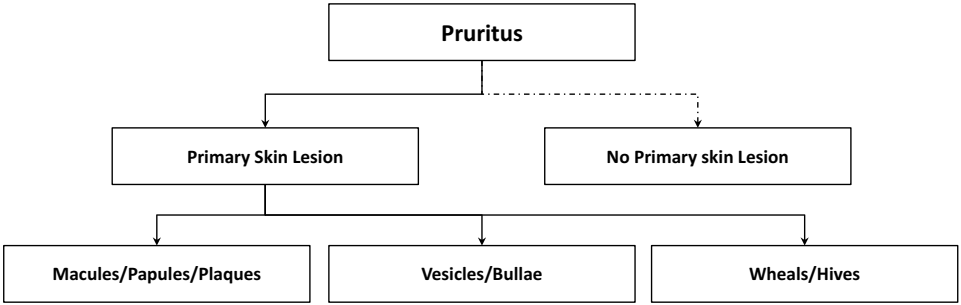

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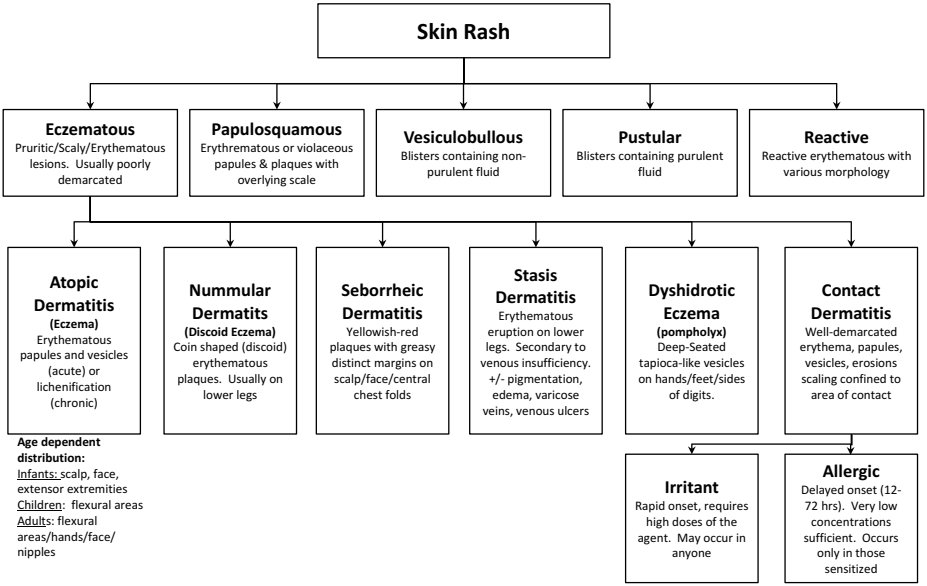
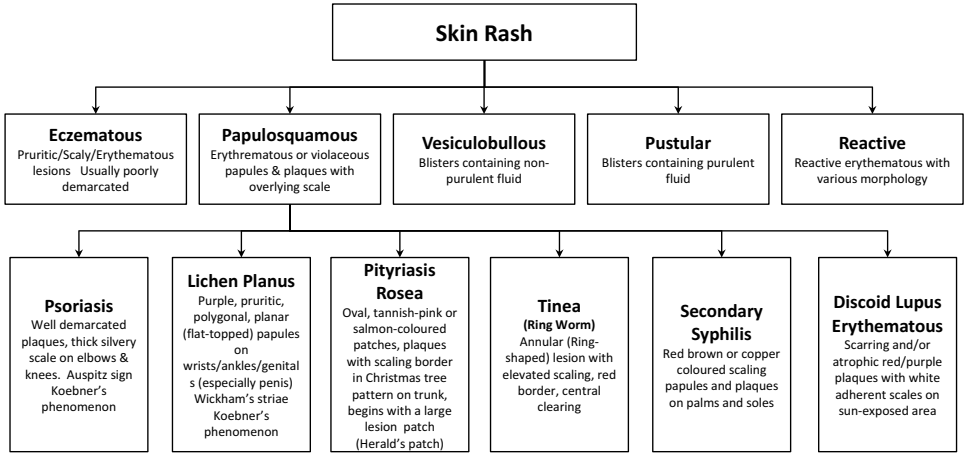


Skin Rash

Papulosquamous



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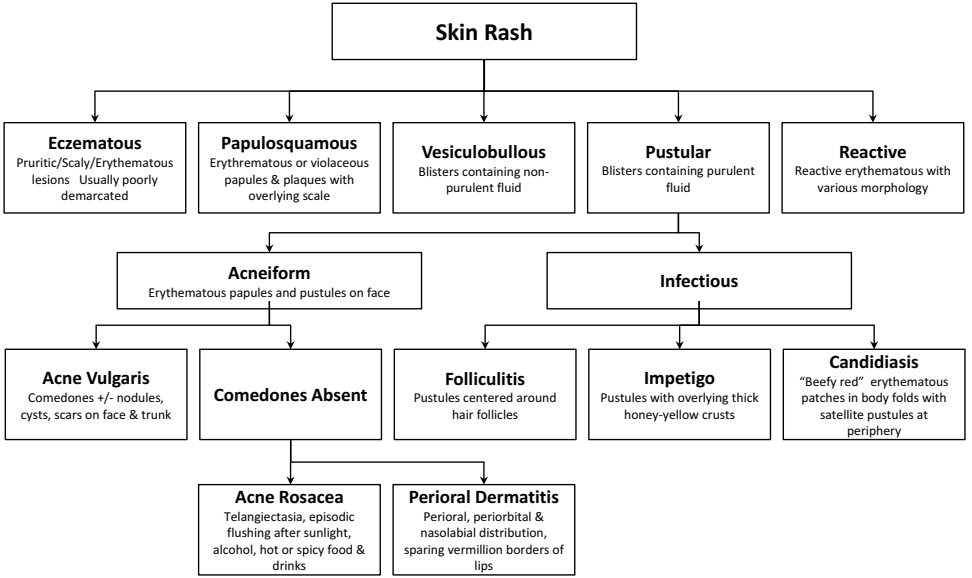

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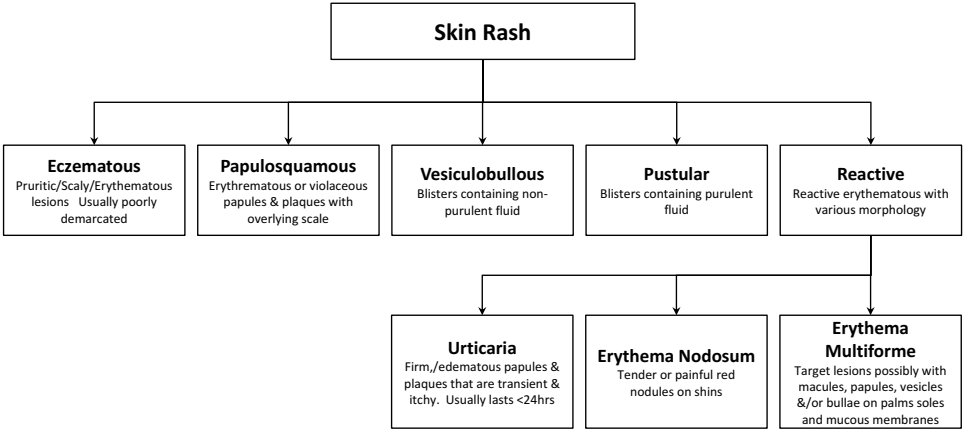

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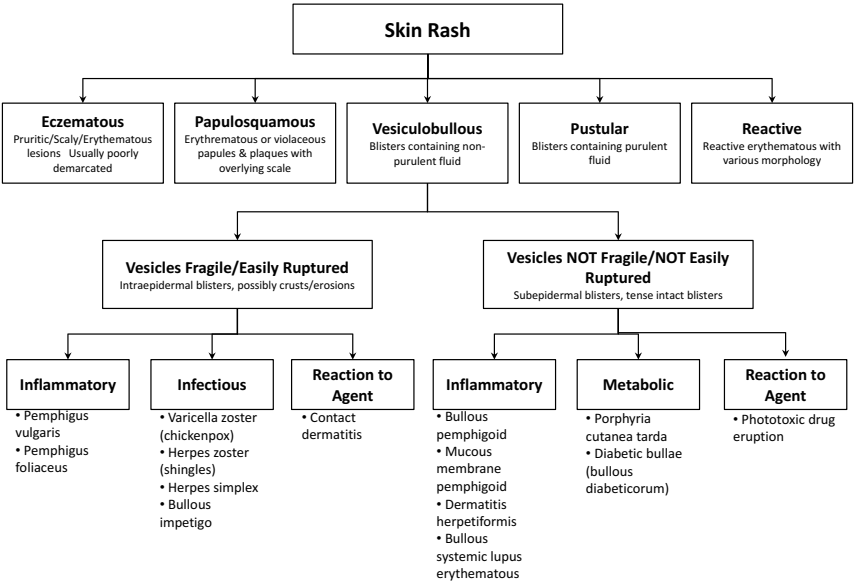

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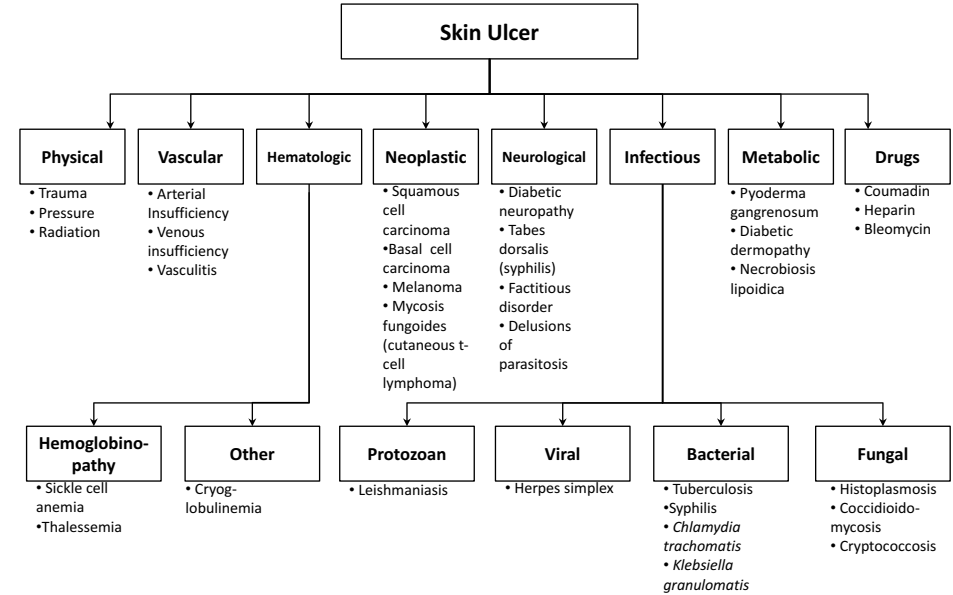

Skin Ulcer by Location

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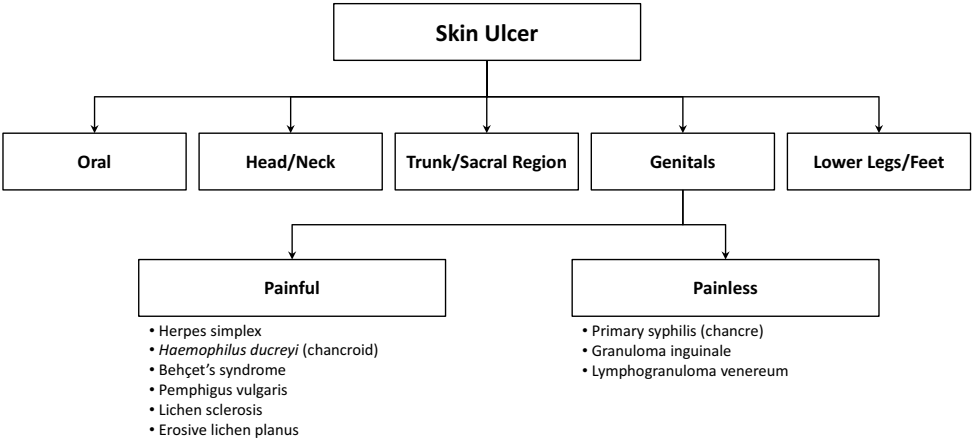

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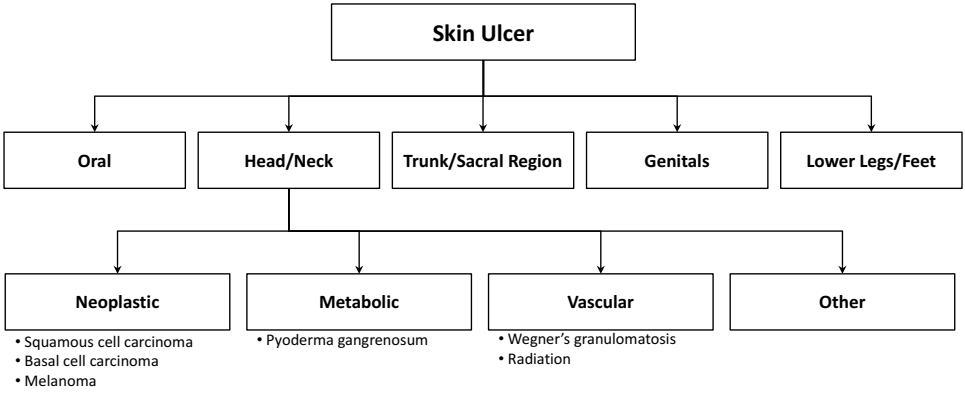
Head & Neck



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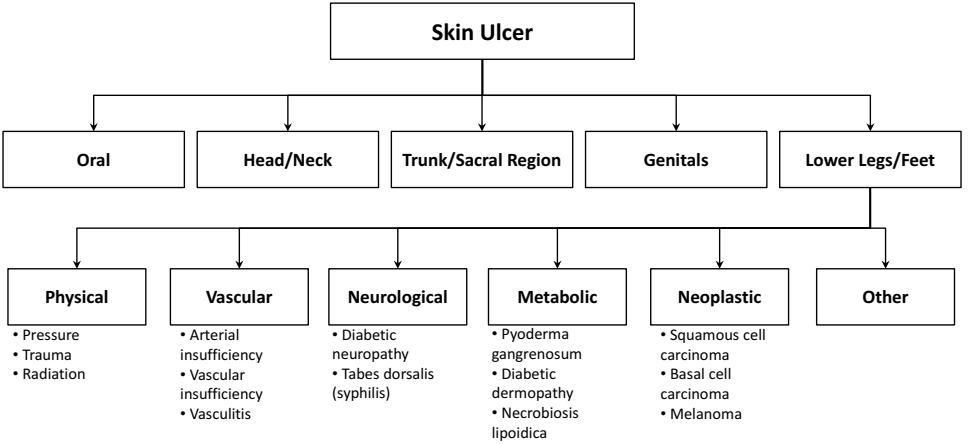
Lower Legs / Feet



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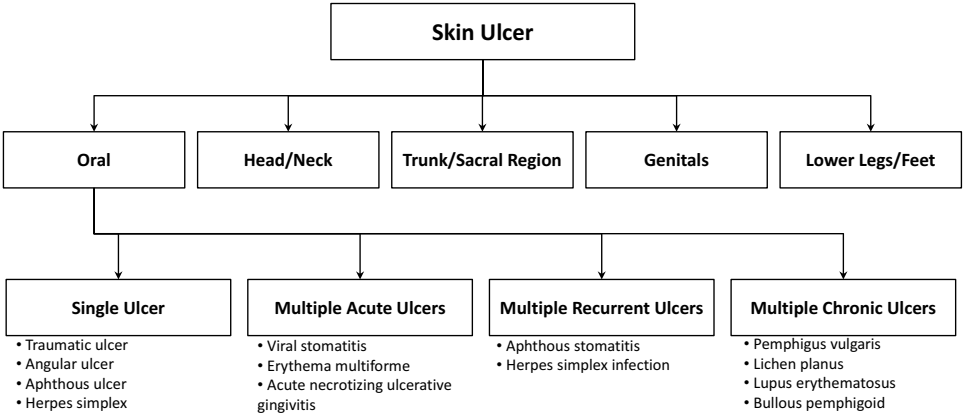
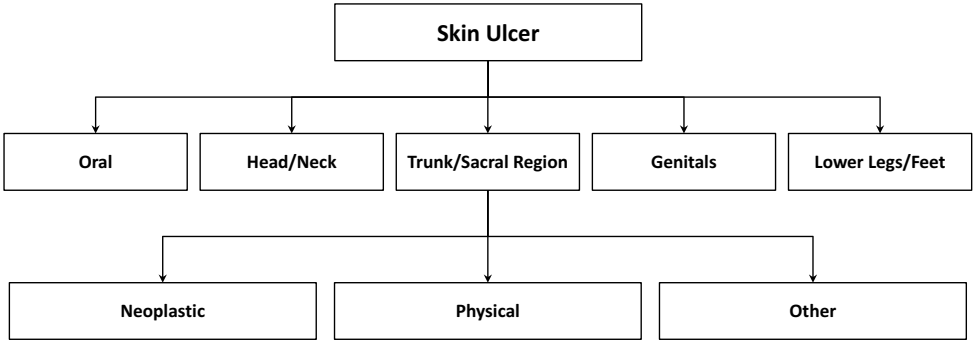
Oral Ulcers



Skin Ulcer by Location

Trunk / Sacral Region



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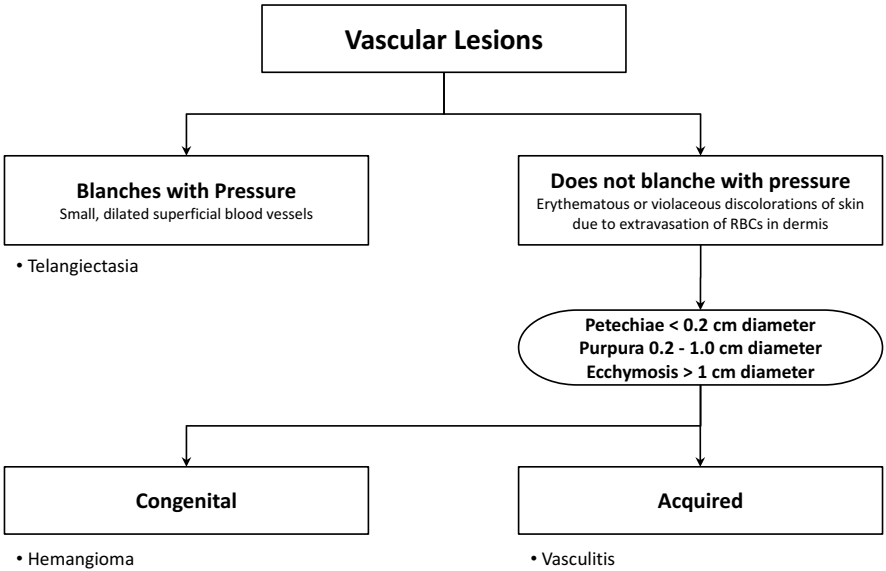

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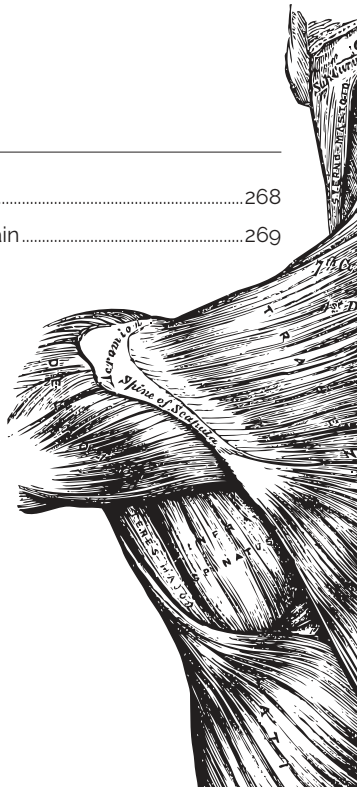
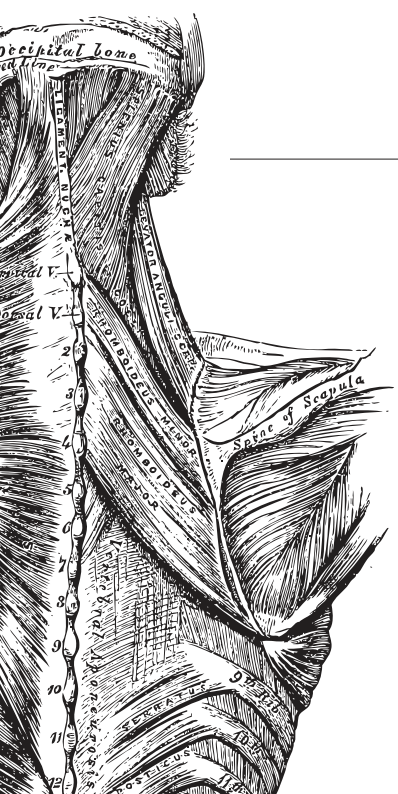


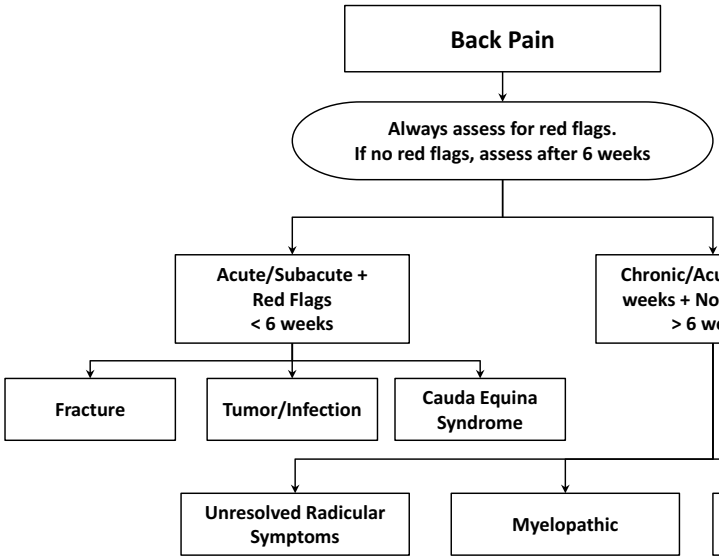


Acute Joint Pain

Vitamin CD

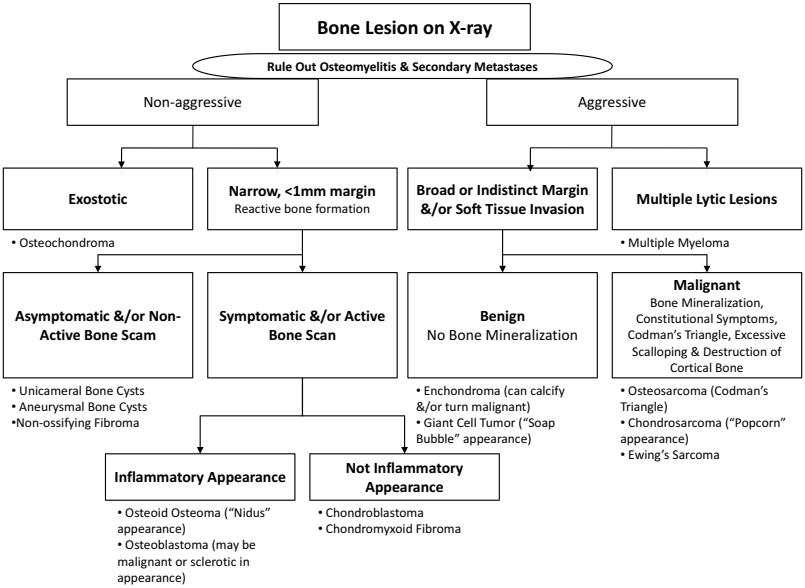
Vascular	- *See vascular joint pain*
Infectious	- *See infectious joint pain*
Trauma	- Multiple injury sites, Open Fracture, Infectious joint pain
Autoimmune	- *See inflammatory joint pain*
Metabolic	- *See pathologic fractures*
Iatrogenic	- Hx of prior surgery
Neoplastic	- *See Tumour*
Congenital	- Scoliosis, Talipes Equinovarus, Meta tarsus adductus, Bow leg, Knock-Knee'd
Degenerative	- Degenerative Disc Disease, Osteoarthritis, Osteoporosis

Back Pain

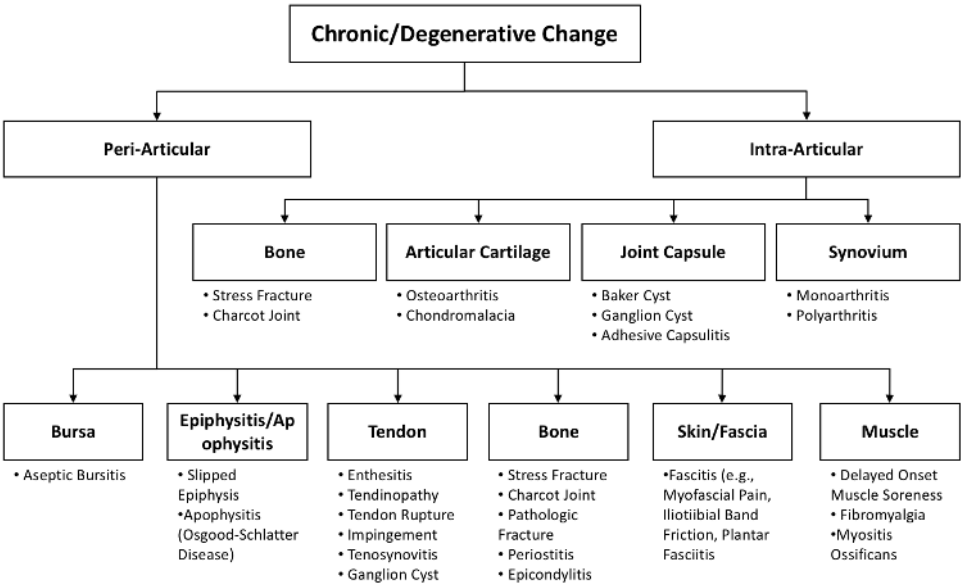


Red Flags: bowel or bladder dysfunction, saddle paresthesia, constitutional symptoms, parasthesis, age >50, <18, IV drug use, neuromotor deficits, nocturnal pain, high energy trauma, past history of neoplasm

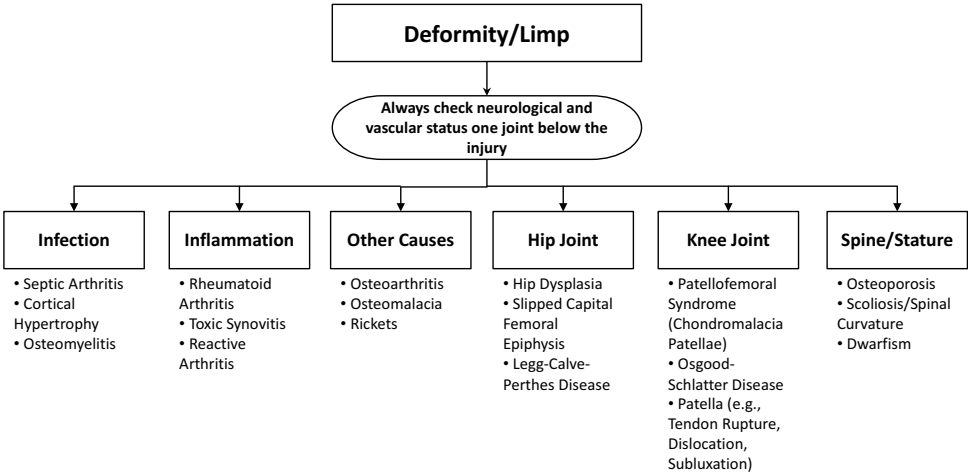
Bone Lesion


Bone Lesion on X-ray
Rule Out Osteomyelitis & Secondary Metastases
Non-aggressive
Aggressive
Exostotic
Narrow, <1mm margin
Reactive bone formation
Broad or Indistinct Margin &/or Soft Tissue Invasion
Multiple Lytic Lesions
• Osteochondroma
• Multiple Myeloma
Asymptomatic &/or Non-Active Bone Scam
Symptomatic &/or Active Bone Scan
Benign
No Bone Mineralization
Malignant
Bone Mineralization, Constitutional Symptoms, Codman's Triangle, Excessive Scalloping & Destruction of Cortical Bone
• Unicameral Bone Cysts
• Aneurysmal Bone Cysts
•Non-ossifying Fibroma
• Enchondroma (can calcify &/or turn malignant)
• Giant Cell Tumor ("Soap Bubble" appearance)
• Osteosarcoma (Codman's Triangle)
• Chondrosarcoma ("Popcorn" appearance)
• Ewing's Sarcoma
Inflammatory Appearance
Not Inflammatory Appearance
• Osteoid Osteoma ("Nidus" appearance)
• Osteoblastoma (may be malignant or sclerotic in appearance)
• Chondroblastoma
• Chondromyxoid Fibroma

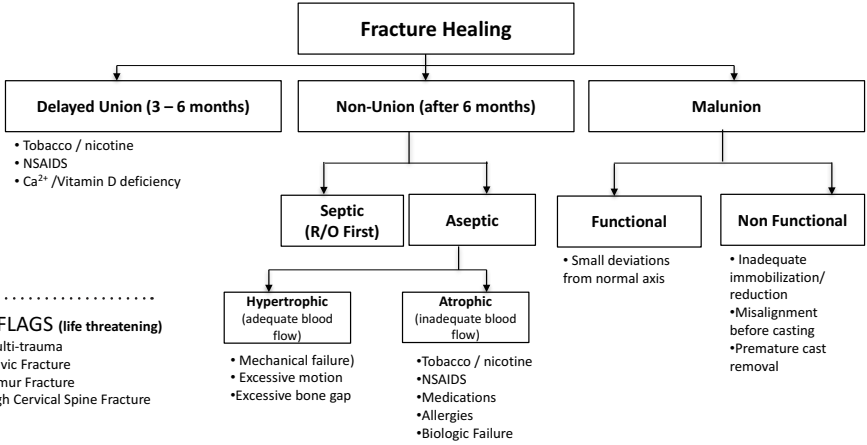
Chronic Joint Pain



Deformity / Limp



Fracture Healing



RED FLAGS **(life threatening)**

- Multi-trauma
- Pelvic Fracture
- Femur Fracture
- High Cervical Spine Fracture

Operative Fractures:

- Open
- Unstable
- Displaced
- Intra-articular

Non-Operative Fractures

- Closed
- Stable
- Undisplaced
- Extra-articular

Inflammation → **Soft Callus** → **Hard Callus** → **Remodelling**

Hours- Days | Days- Weeks | Weeks- Months | Years

Guide to Spinal Cord Injury

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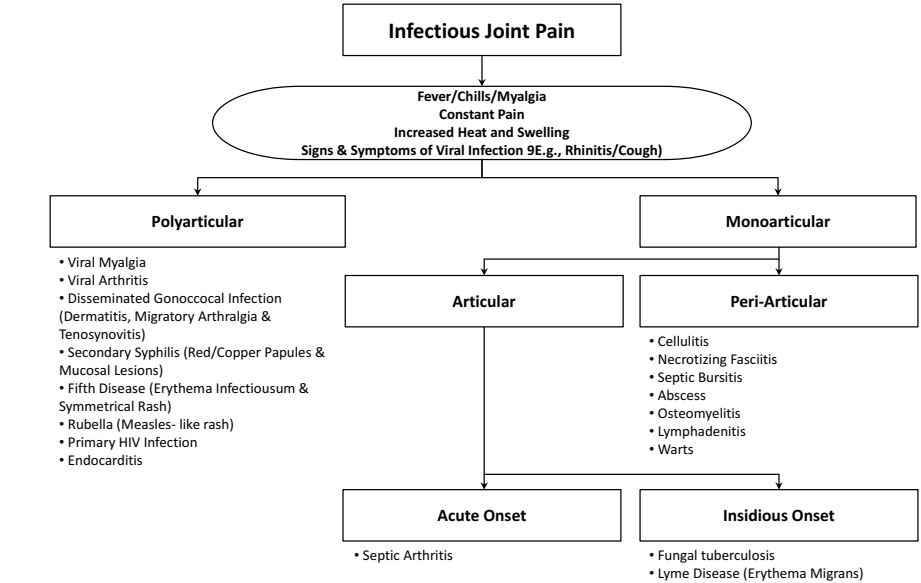
Spinal Root	Sensory	Motor	Reflex
C4	Acromioclavicular Joint	Respiration	None
C5	Radial Antecubital Fossa	Elbow Flexion	Biceps Reflex
C6	Dorsal Thumb	Wrist Extension	Brachioradialis Reflex
C7	Dorsal Middle Finger	Elbow Extension	Triceps Reflex
C8	Dorsal Little Finger	Finger Flexion	None
T1	Ulnar Antecubital Fossa	Finger Abduction	None
T7-12	See Dermatomes	Abdominal Muscles	Abdominal Reflex
L2	Anterior Medial Thigh	Hip Flexion	Cremasteric Reflex
L3	Medial Femoral Condyle	Knee Extension	None
L4	Medial Malleolus	Ankle Dorsiflexion	Knee Jerk Reflex
L5	First Web Space (1^{st}/2^{nd} MTP)	Big Toe Extension	Hamstring Reflex
S1	Lateral Calcaneus	Ankle Plantarflexion	Ankle Jerk Reflex
S2	Popliteal Fossa	Anal Sphincter	Bulbocavernosus
S3/S4	Perianal Region	Anal Sphincter	None

N.B. There is considerable variability in spinal cord levels for motor and reflex testing. Always test the level above and below the suspected injury

Infectious Joint Pain



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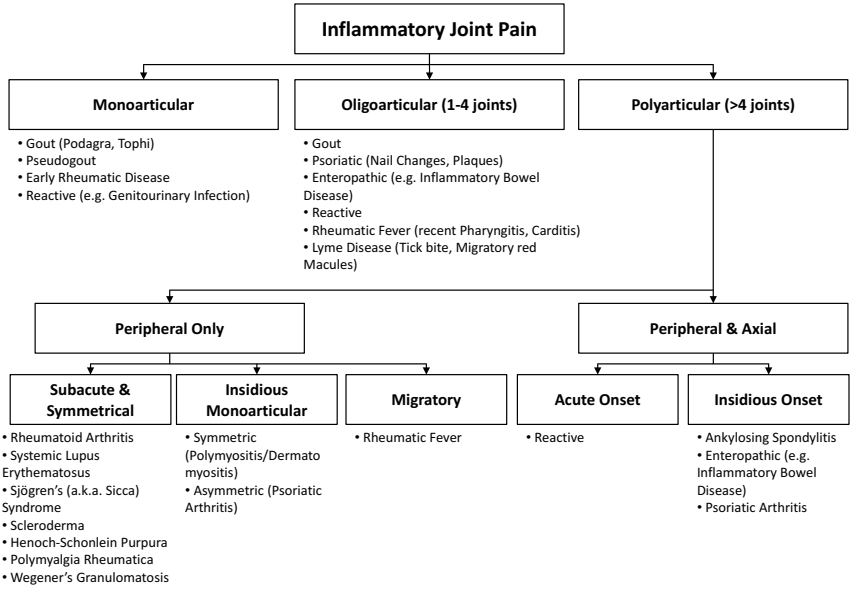


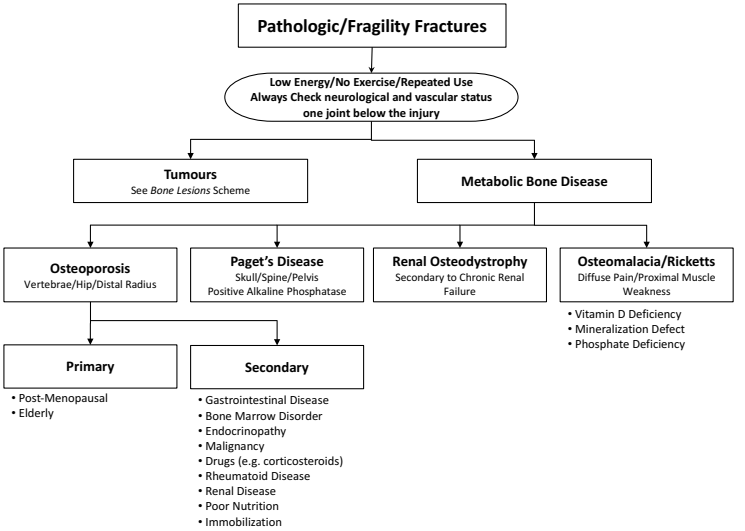
Mytomes

Segmental Innervation of Muscles

Muscle Group	Action	Myotome	Peripheral Nerve
Shoulder	Abduction	C5	Axillary Nerve
	Adduction	C6-C8	Thoracodorsal Nerve
Elbow	Flexion	C5	Musculocutaneous Nerve
	Extension	C7	Radial Nerve
Wrist	Extension	C6	Radial Nerve
Fingers	Flexion	C8	Median Nerve
	Abduction	T1	Ulnar Nerve
Hip	Flexion	L2	Nerve to Psoas
	Extension	S1	Inferior Gluteal Nerve
	Abduction	L5	Superior Gluteal Nerve
Knee	Flexion	L5	Tibial Nerve
	Extension	L3	Femoral Nerve
Ankle	Dorsiflexion	L4	Deep Peroneal Nerve
	Plantarflexion	S1	Tibial Nerve

N.B. There is considerable overlap between myotomes for some actions. The myotomes listed are the dominant segments involved.

Pathologic Fractures



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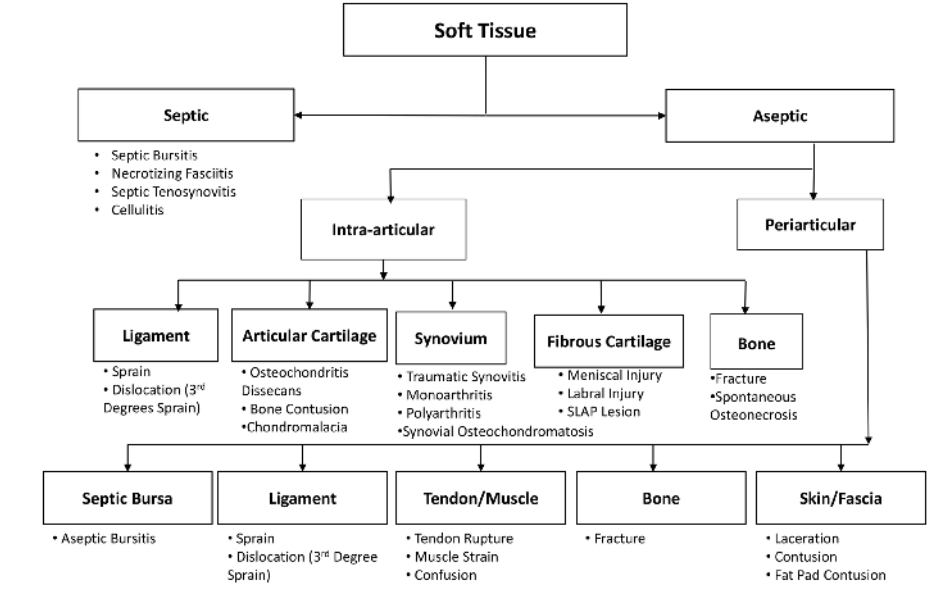
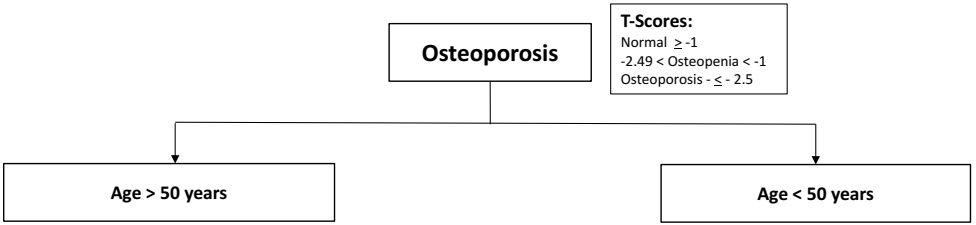


Osteoporosis

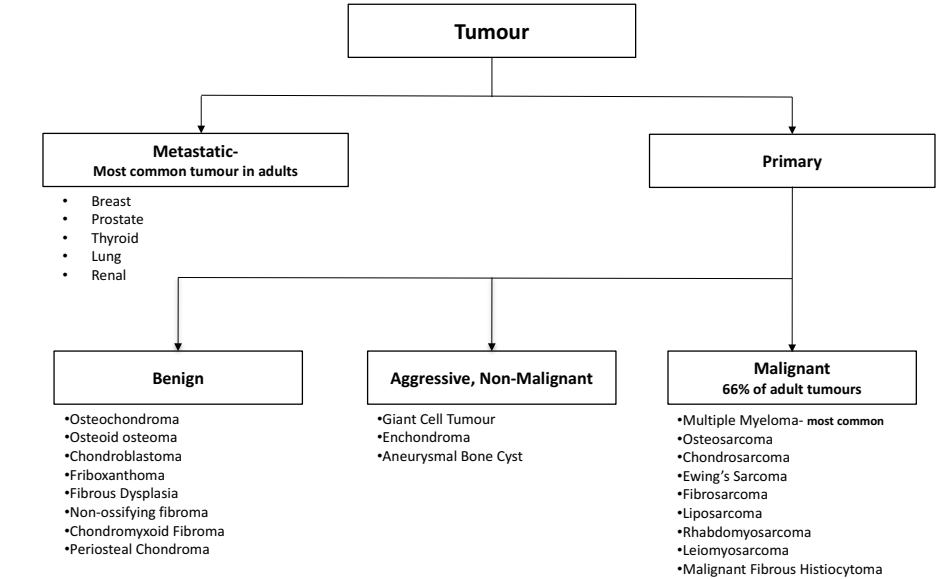
BMD Testing



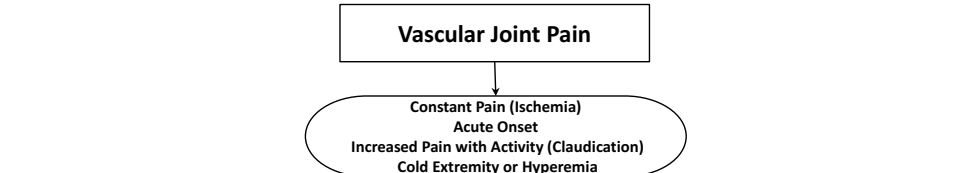
- All men and women ≥65
- Prior fragility fracture
- Prolonged glucocorticoid use
- Rheumatoid Arthritis
- Falls in past 12 months
- Parental Hip Fracture
- Other medications
- Vertebral fracture
- Osteopenia on X ray
- Smoking/ETOH
- Low body weight (<60kg) or major loss (>10% of when 25)

- Fragility Fracture
- Prolonged Glucocorticoid use
- Use of other high risk medications
  - Aromatase Inhibitors
  - Androgen Deprivation Therapy
- Hypogonadism/Premature Menopause
- Malabsorption Syndrome
- Primary Hyperparathyroidism
- Other disorders strongly associated with rapid bone loss and/or fracture

Tumour



Vascular Joint Pain



- Vasculitis

- Sickle Cell Anemia
- Peripheral Vascular Disease
- Atherosclerosis
- Deep Vein Thrombosis
- Septic Embolism (e.g. Infective Endocarditis)
- Fat Embolism (e.g. fractured long bone)
- Air Embolism
- Vasculitis

- Trauma to Vessel (dislocation/fracture)
- Hemarthrosis (Hemophilia or Trauma)
- Peripheral/Mycotic Aneurysm (e.g. Marfan's Syndrome, Infective Endocarditis, Atherosclerosis)

- Any structure compressing the blood vessels
- Abscess
- Cyst
- Neoplasm
- Dislocated Bone

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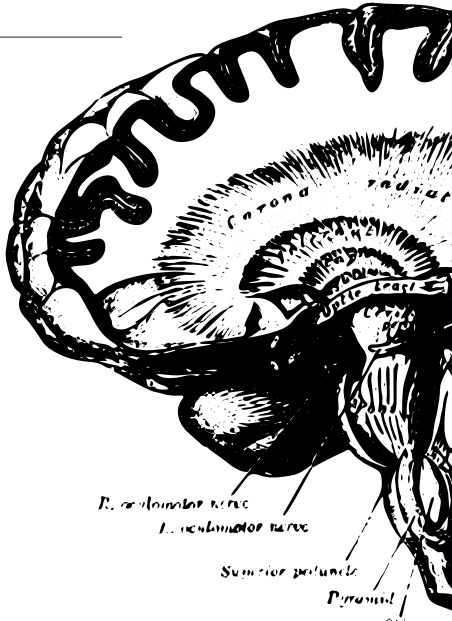
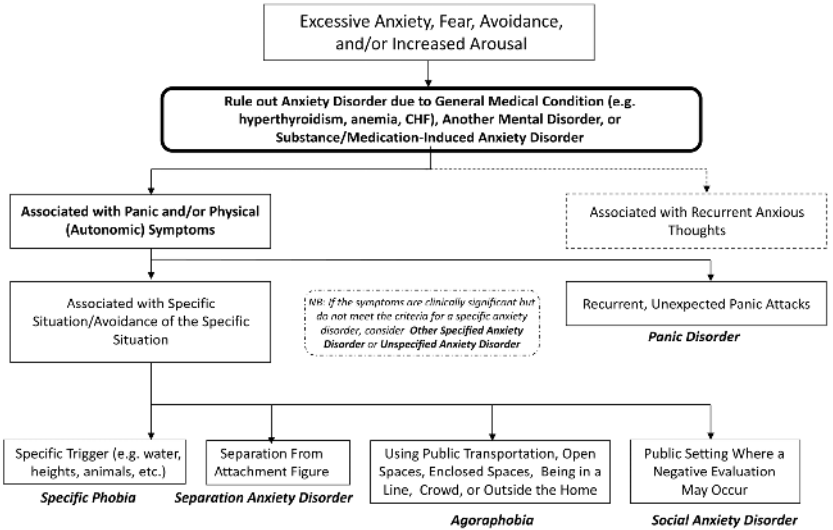


Anxiety Disorders

Associated with Panic



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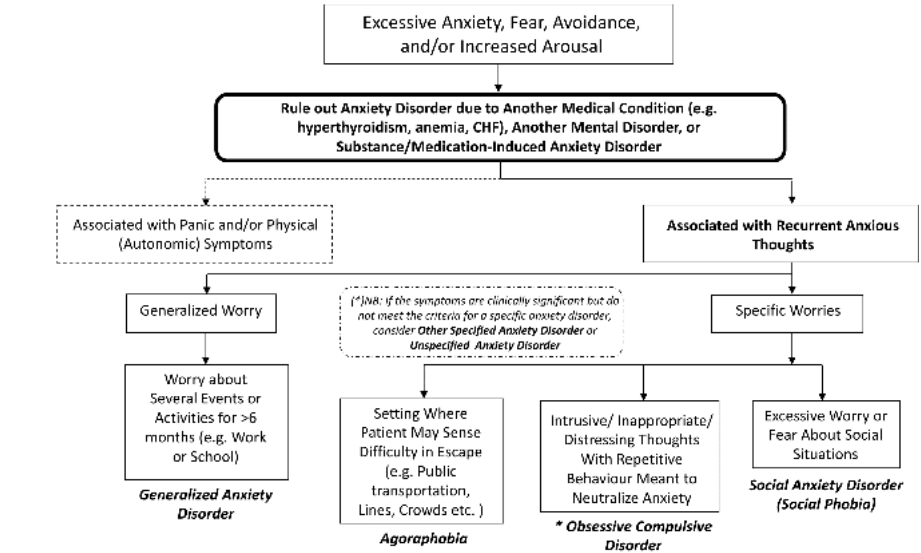
Anxiety Disorders

Recurrent Anxious Thoughts



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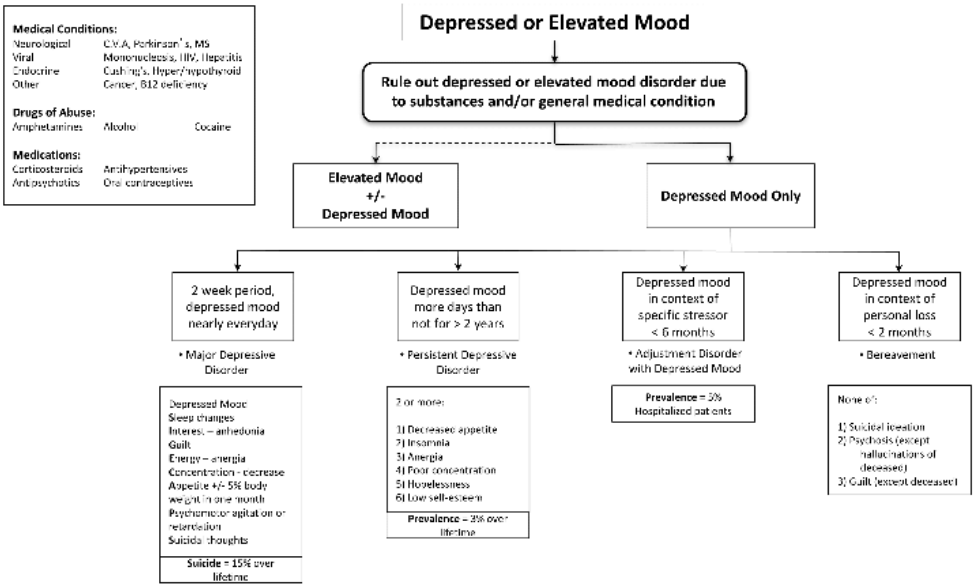
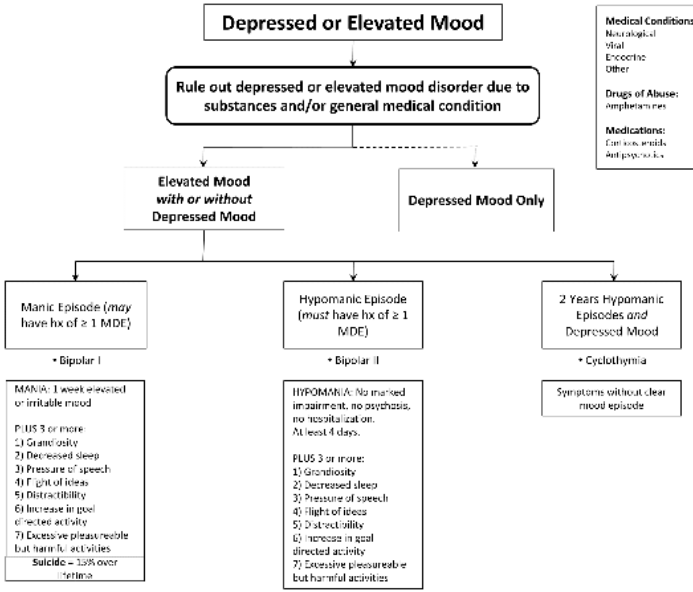
Mood Disorders

Depressed Mood

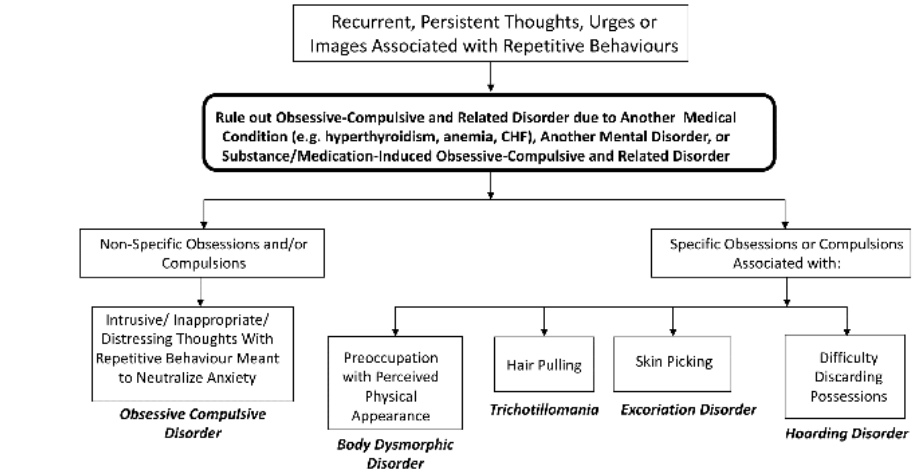


Mood Disorders

Elevated Mood



Obsessive-Compulsive & Related Disorders



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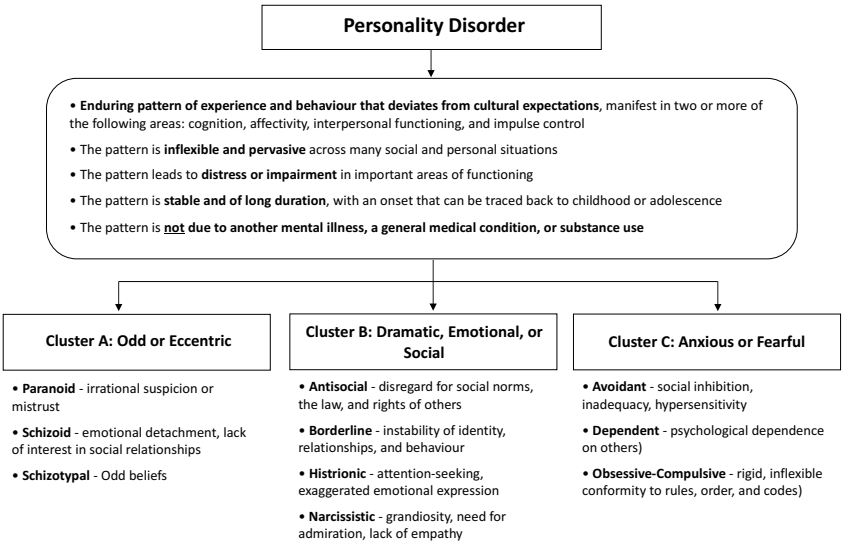
Personality Disorder



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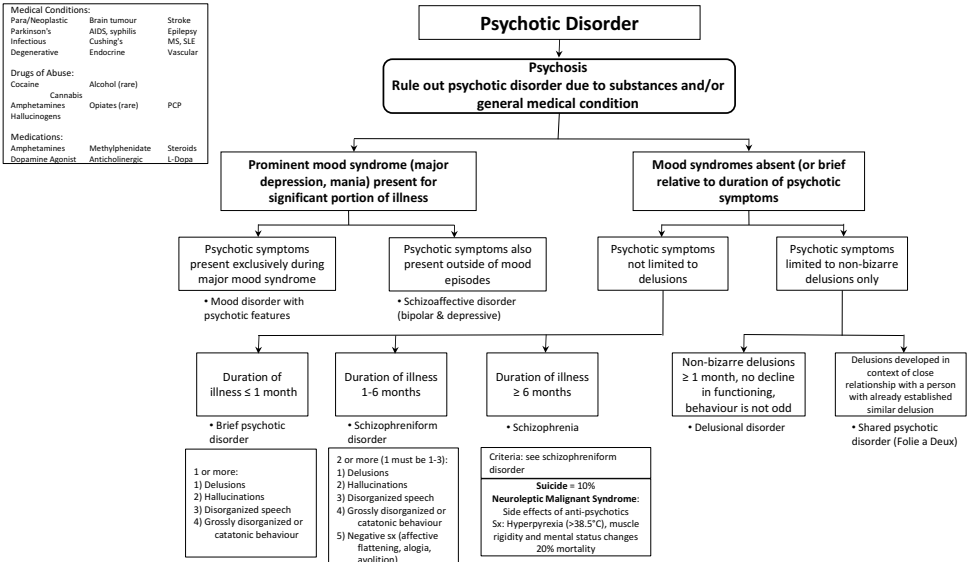

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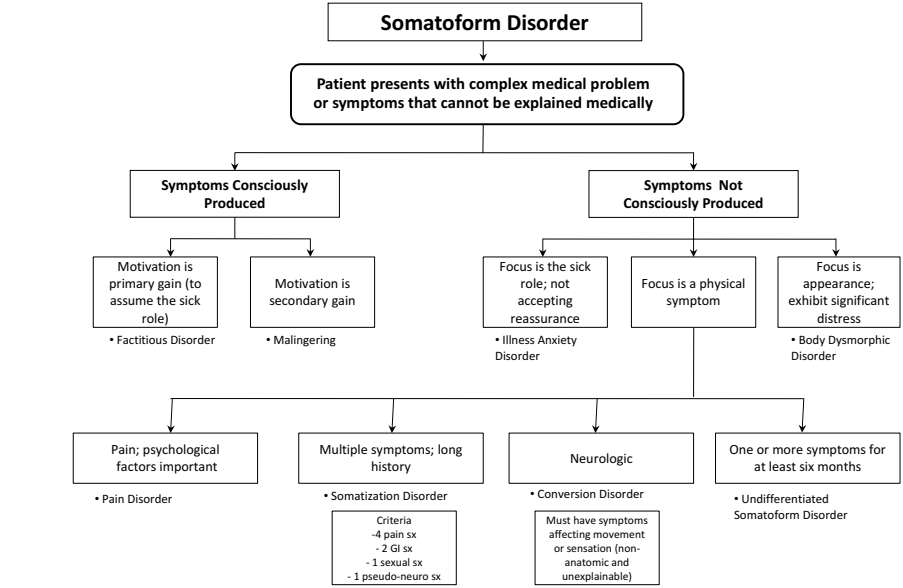

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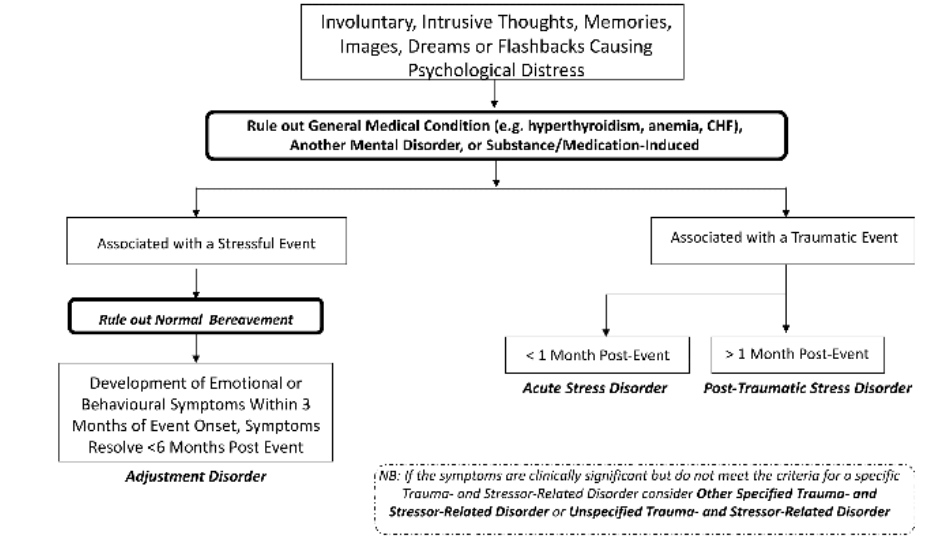

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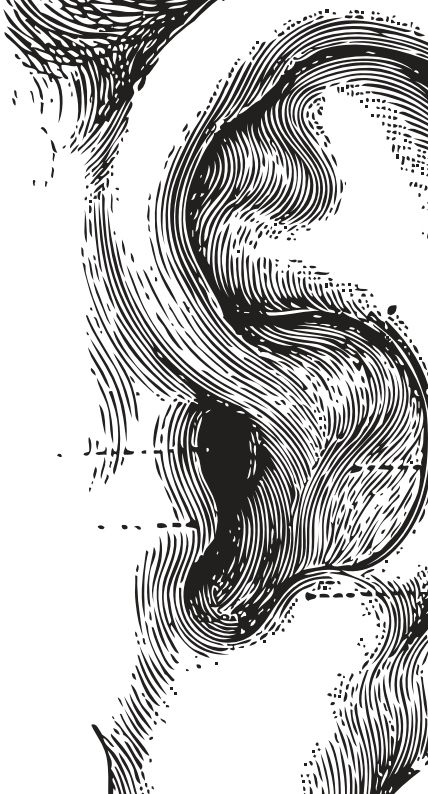

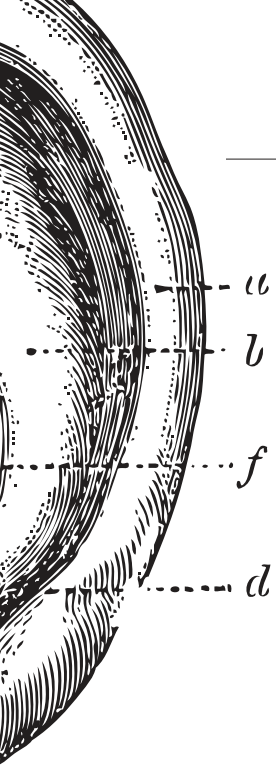

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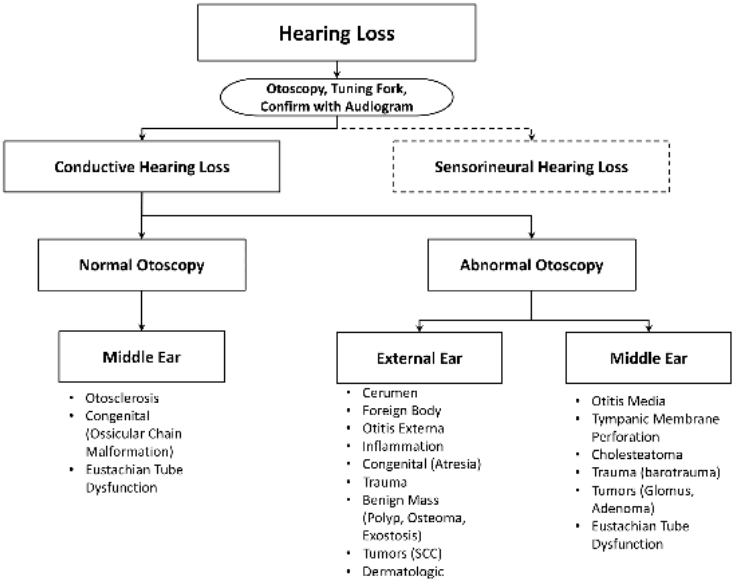

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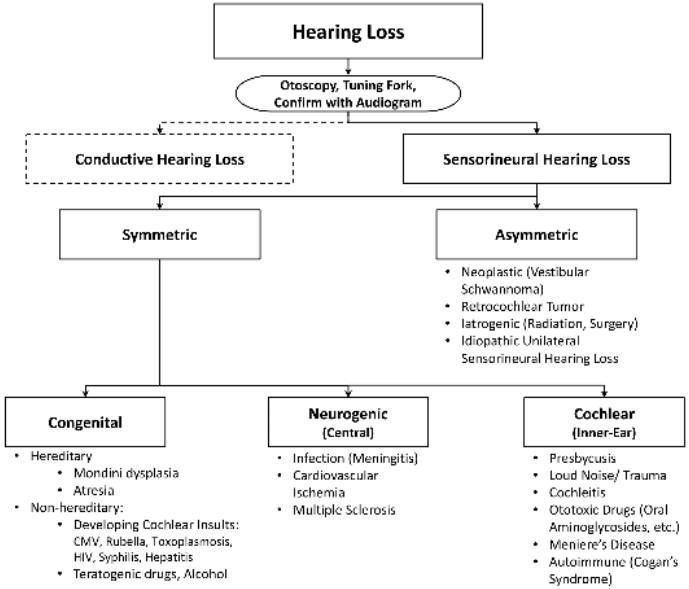

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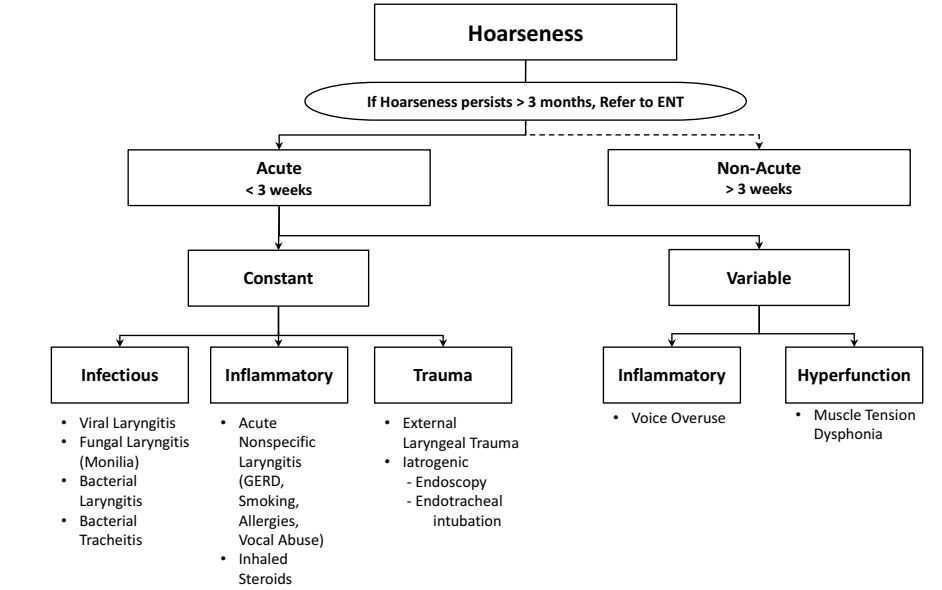

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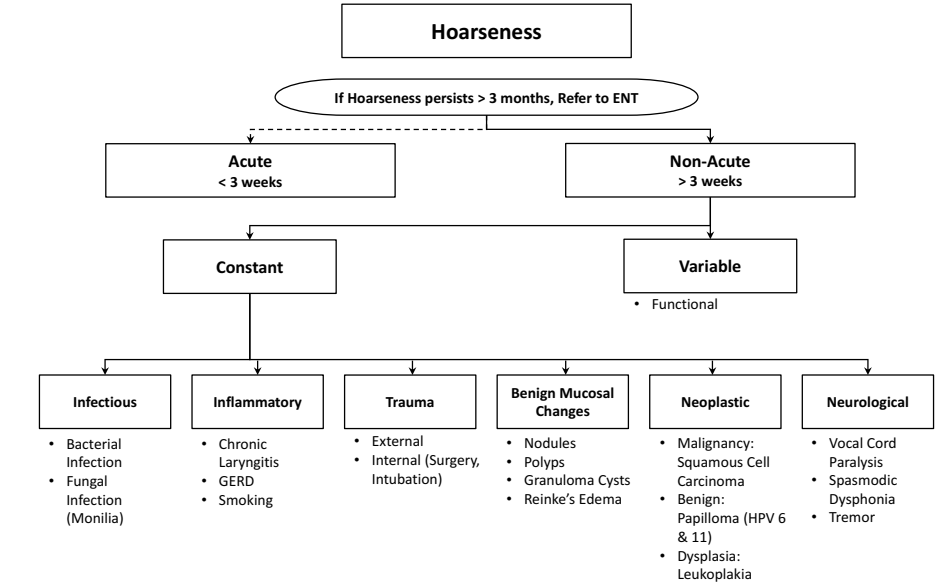

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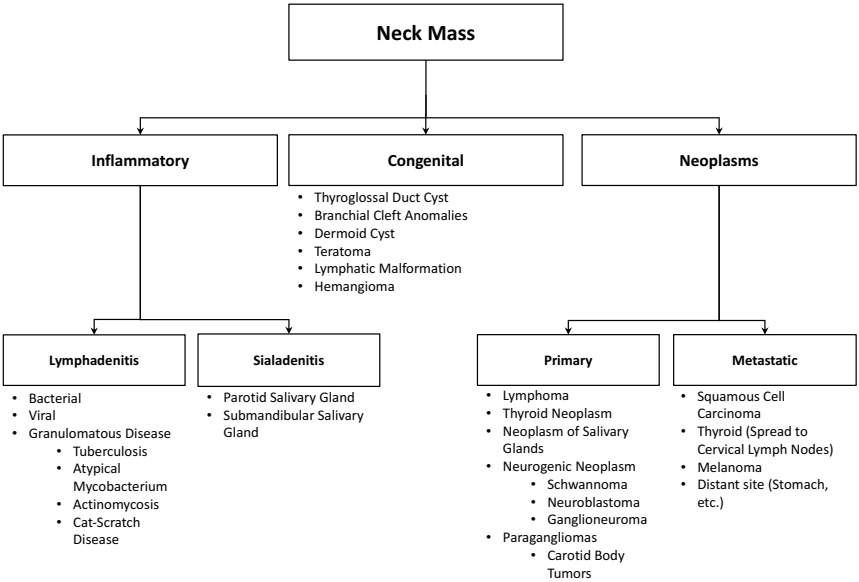

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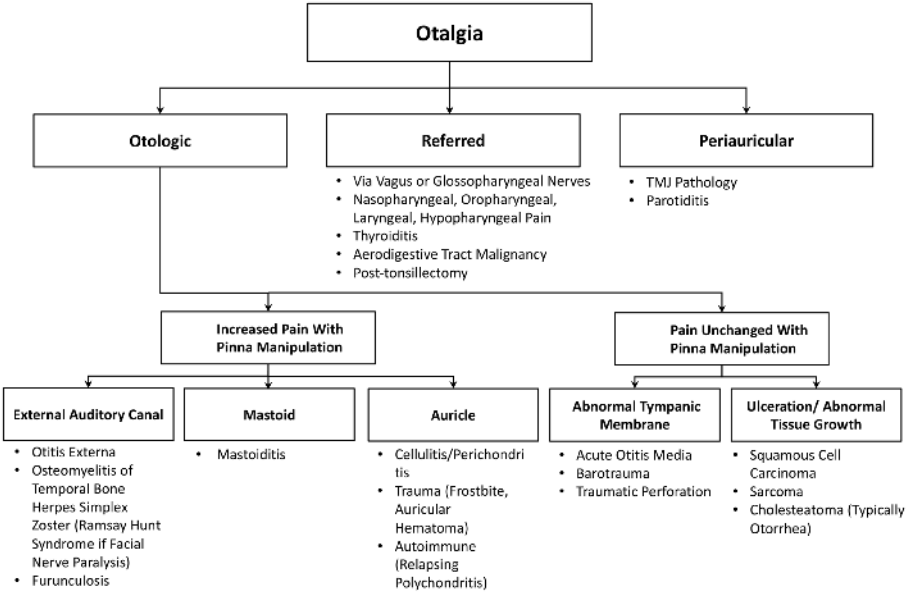

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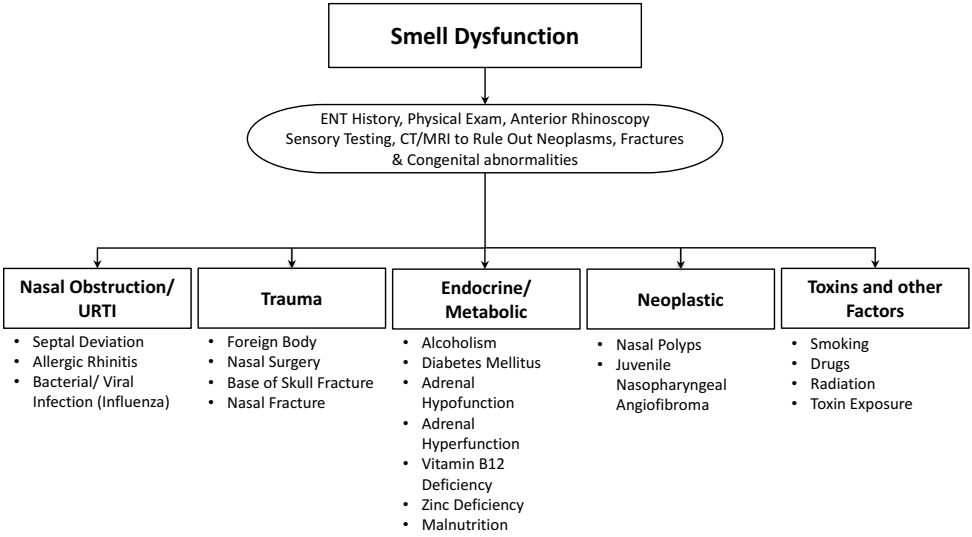

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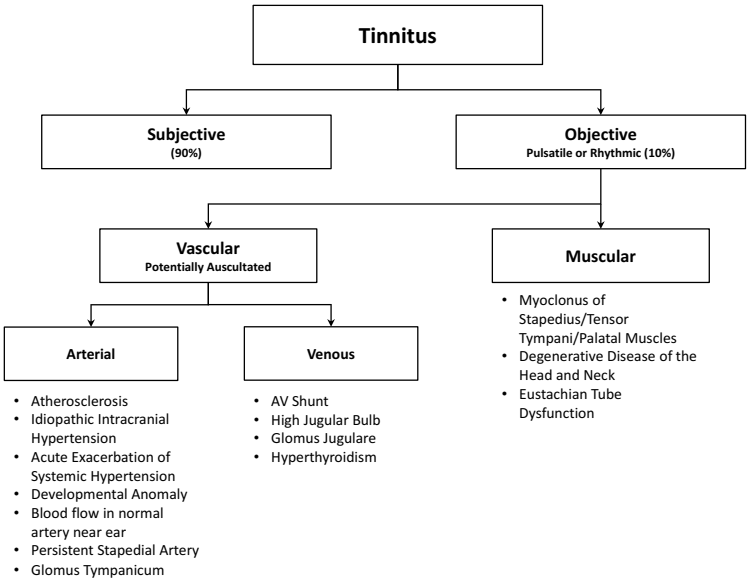

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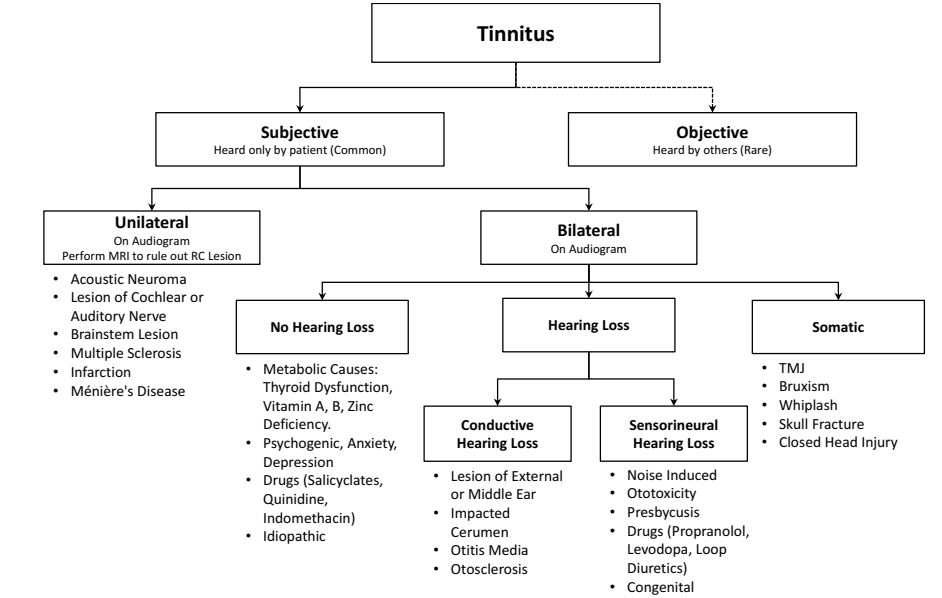

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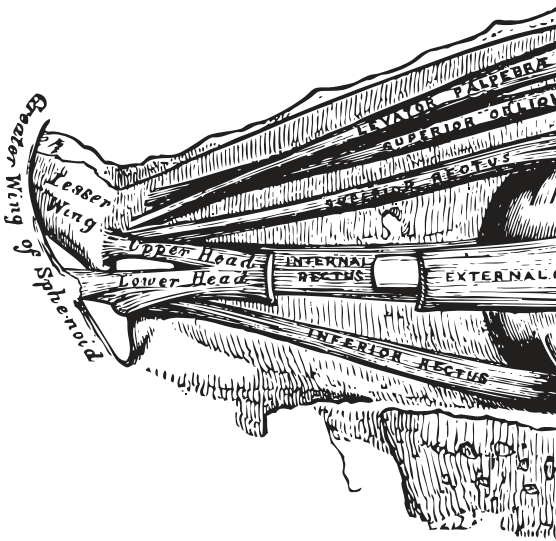
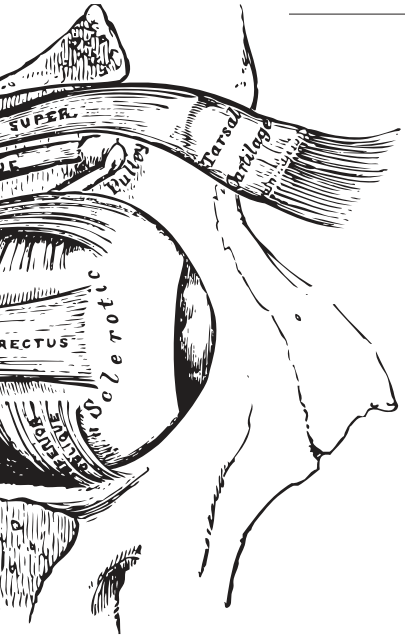
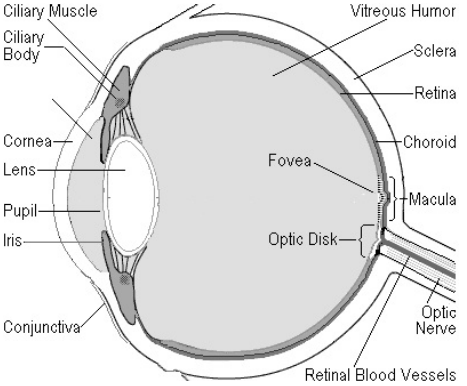




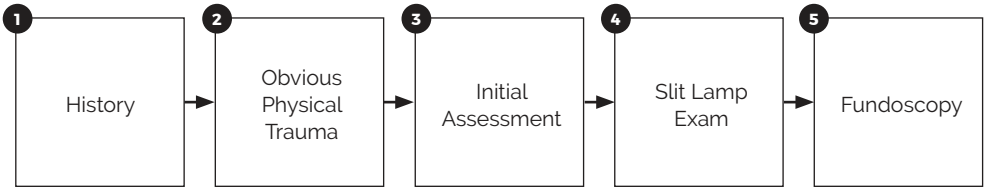
Cross Section of the Eye & Acronyms



Ophthalmology Acronyms

EOM	Extra ocular movements
IOL	Intraocular Lens
IOP	Intraocular Pressure
OD	Oculus Dexter (right eye)
OS	Oculus Sinister (left eye)
OU	Oculus Uterque (both eyes)
PERRLA	Pupils Equal, Round, Reactive to Light & Accommodation
RAPD	Relative Afferent pupillary defect
SLE	Slit Lamp Exam
VA	Visual Acuity

Approach to an Eye Exam



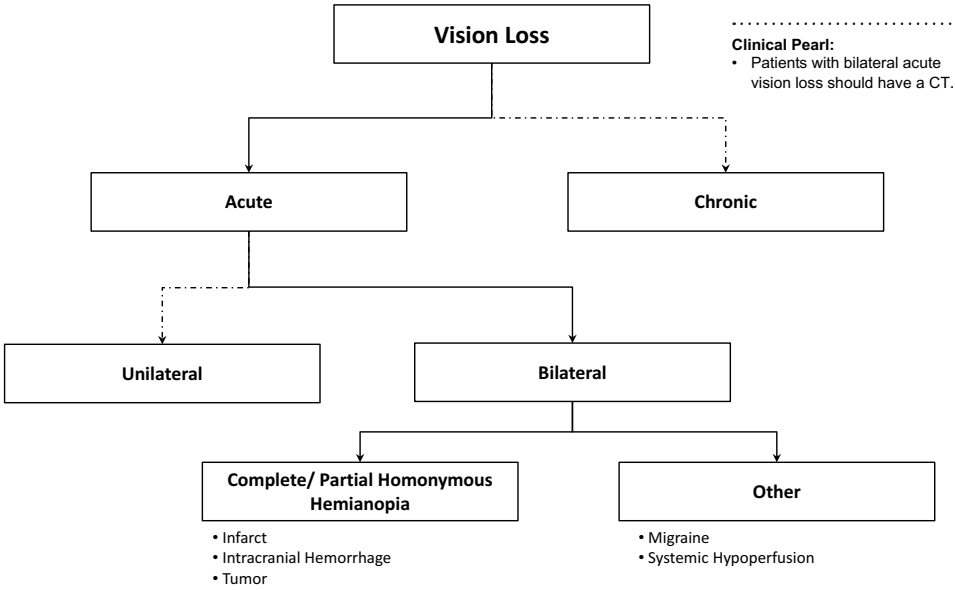
3. Initial Assessment
   - A. Visual Acuity
   - B. Pupils
     - a. Light Reflex, Accommodation, RAPD
   - C. Ocular Movements (CN 3, 4, 6)
   - D. Visual Fields by Confrontation

4. Slit Lamp Exam
   - A. Lids / Lashes/ Lacrimal
   - B. Sclera/ Conjunctiva
   - C. Cornea
   - D. Anterior Chamber
   - E. Iris
   - F. Lens
   - G. Vitreous Humor

5. Fundoscopy
   - A. Retina
   - B. Optic Nerve/ Disc/ Cup: Disc Ratio
   - C. Macula
   - D. Fovea
   - E. Blood Vessels

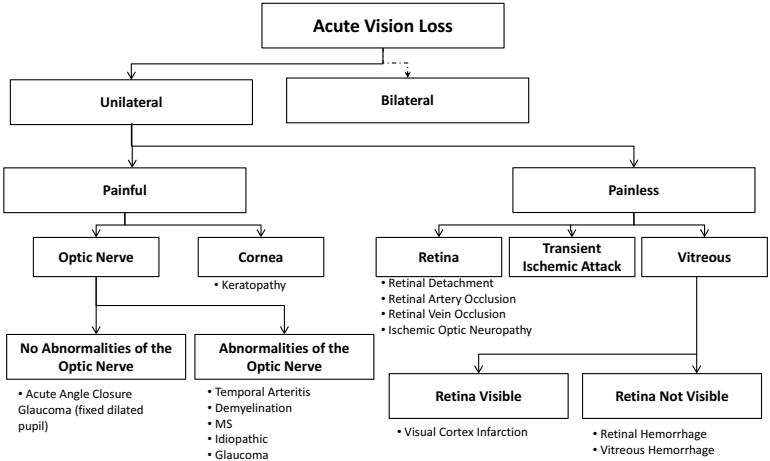
Acute Vision Loss

Bilateral



Acute Vision Loss

Unilateral

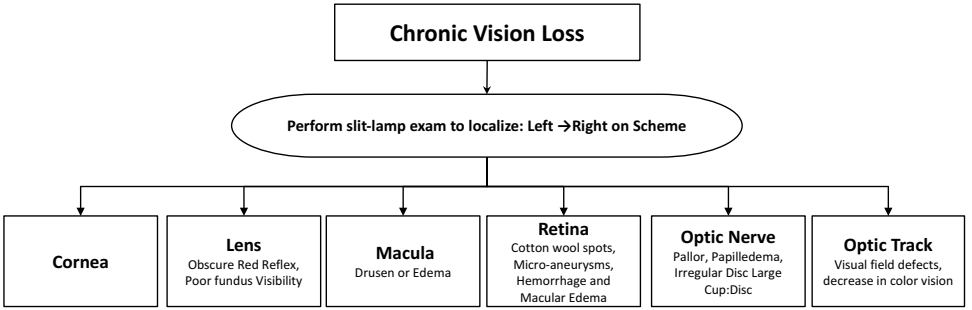


Clinical Pearls:

- Optic neuritis causes pain with EOM
- Temporal arteritis causes temporalis pain and pain with mastication
- Acute angle closure glaucoma causes high intraocular pressure, unilateral eye pain, mid-dilated pupil and n/v
- Retinal detachment can present as a veil over the vision and with flashes and floaters.
- TIA, vein or artery occlusion requires stroke work-up

Chronic Vision Loss

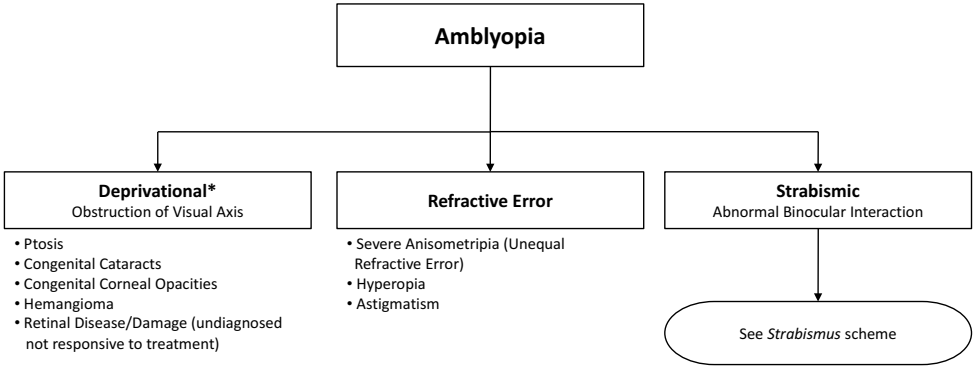
Anatomic



Clinical Pearls:

- Edema can cause halos in the vision.
- Bilateral disc swelling and any suspected mass require imaging.

Amblyopia

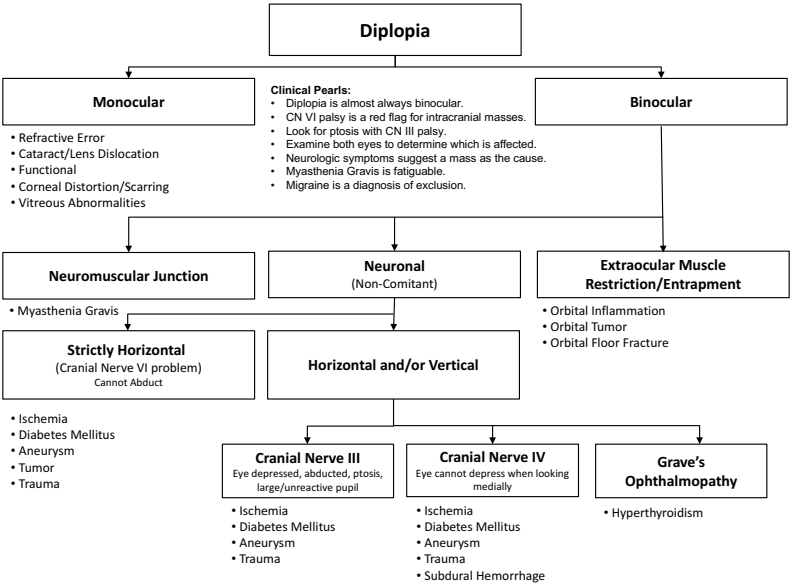


Clinical Pearl:

- Congenital cataracts and retinoblastoma's cause leukocoria and a decreased red reflex

* Can cause permanent visual impairment if not treated urgently in infancy

Diplopia


Diplopia
Monocular
• Refractive Error
• Cataract/Lens Dislocation
• Functional
• Corneal Distortion/Scarring
• Vitreous Abnormalities
Clinical Pearls:
• Diplopia is almost always binocular.
• CN VI palsy is a red flag for intracranial masses.
• Look for ptosis with CN III palsy.
• Examine both eyes to determine which is affected.
• Neurologic symptoms suggest a mass as the cause.
• Myasthenia Gravis is fatiguable.
• Migraine is a diagnosis of exclusion.
Binocular
Neuromuscular Junction
• Myasthenia Gravis
Neuronal
(Non-Comitant)
Extraocular Muscle Restriction/Entrapment
• Orbital Inflammation
• Orbital Tumor
• Orbital Floor Fracture
Strictly Horizontal
(Cranial Nerve VI problem)
Cannot Abduct
• Ischemia
• Diabetes Mellitus
• Aneurysm
• Tumor
• Trauma
Horizontal and/or Vertical
Cranial Nerve III
Eye depressed, abducted, ptosis, large/unreactive pupil
• Ischemia
• Diabetes Mellitus
• Aneurysm
• Trauma
Cranial Nerve IV
Eye cannot depress when looking medially
• Ischemia
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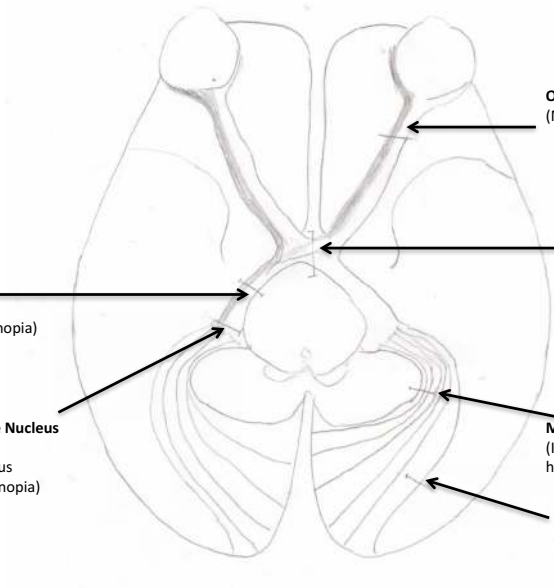
• Subdural Hemorrhage
Grave's Ophthalmopathy
• Hyperthyroidism

Neuro-Ophthalmology

Visual Field Defects



Optic Nerve Lesion
(Monocular vision loss)

Optic Chiasm Lesion
(bitemporal hemianopia)

- Pituitary/metastatic tumor
- Craniopharyngioma
- Meningioma
- Optic nerve glioma
- Aneurysm
- Infection
- MS
- Sarcoidosis

Optic Tract Lesion
(Incongruous right homonymous hemianopia)

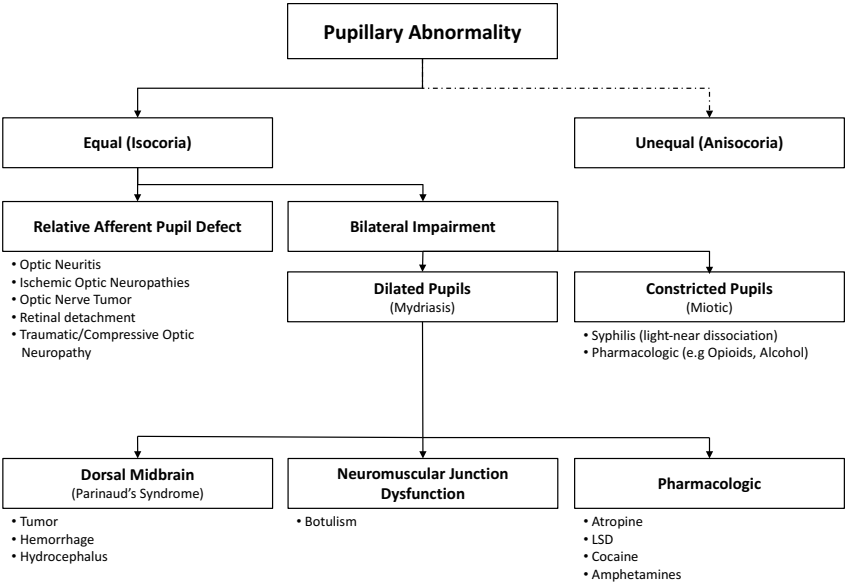
Lateral Geniculate Nucleus Lesion
(Right homonymous horizontal sectroanopia)

Meyer's Loop Lesion
(Incongruous superior homonymous quadrantanopia)

Right Parietal Lobe Lesion
(Inferior homonymous hemianopia)

Pupillary Abnormalities

Isocoria



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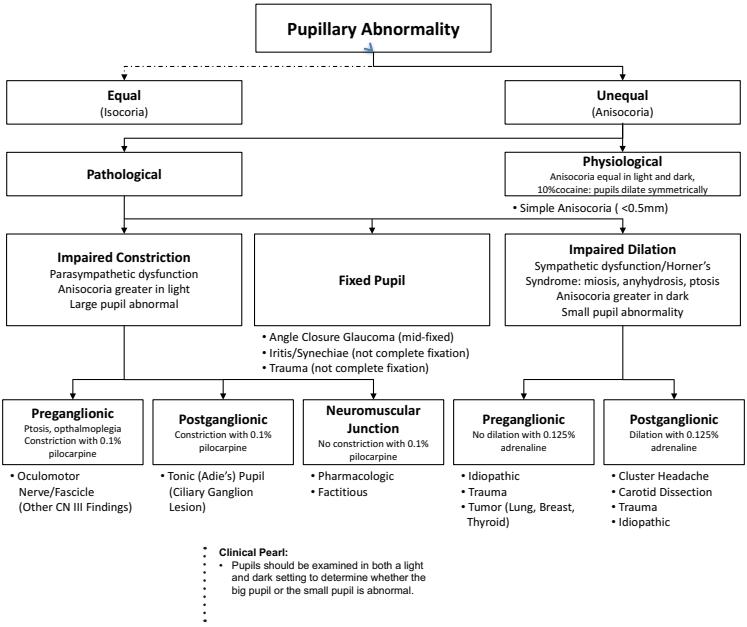
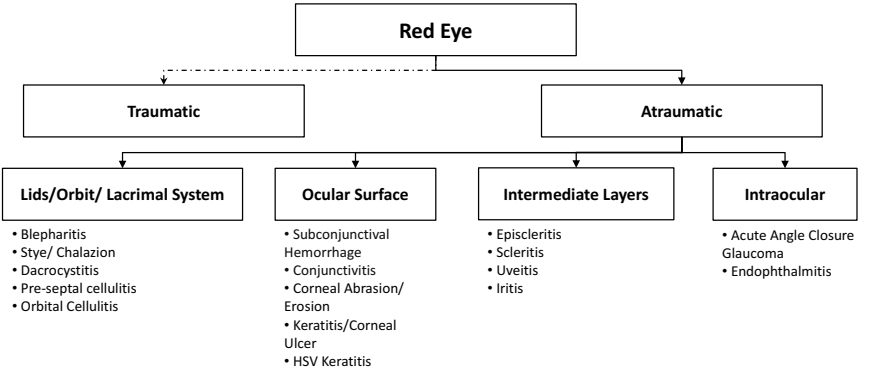


Red Eye

Atraumatic

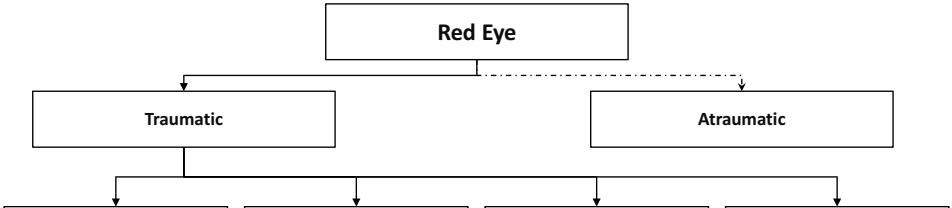


Clinical Pearl:

- Orbital cellulitis can present with pain on EOM and orbital signs of involvement

Red Eye

Traumatic



- Corneal Abrasion
- Ultraviolet Keratitis
- Chemical (Acid, alkali)

- Orbital Rim/Mid-facial Fracture
- Orbital Floor Fracture
- Orbital Apex Injury/ Retrobulbar Fracture**

** Urgent lateral canthotomy

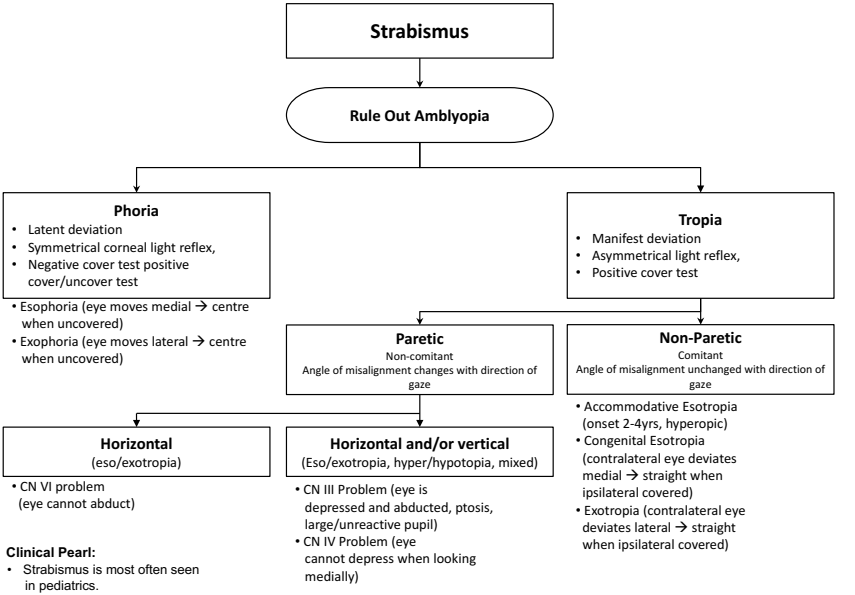
- Lids: Swelling, Laceration
- Conjunctiva: Subconjunctival hemorrhage
- Cornea: Abrasion
- Iris: Laceration, iritis, iridodialysis
- Pupil: Traumatic mydriasis
- Lens: Cataract, dislocation
- Vitreous hemorrhage
- Retina: Tear, hemorrhage, choroidal rupture
- Glaucoma
- Optic Neuropathy

Clinical Pearls:

- With chemical burns, it is important to determine if the burn was caused by acid or worse, alkali.
- With a globe-penetrating injury, call ophthalmology, shield the eye, and do not touch the eye.

Strabismus

Ocular Misalignment



Clinical Pearl:

- Strabismus is most often seen in pediatrics.

Pediatric

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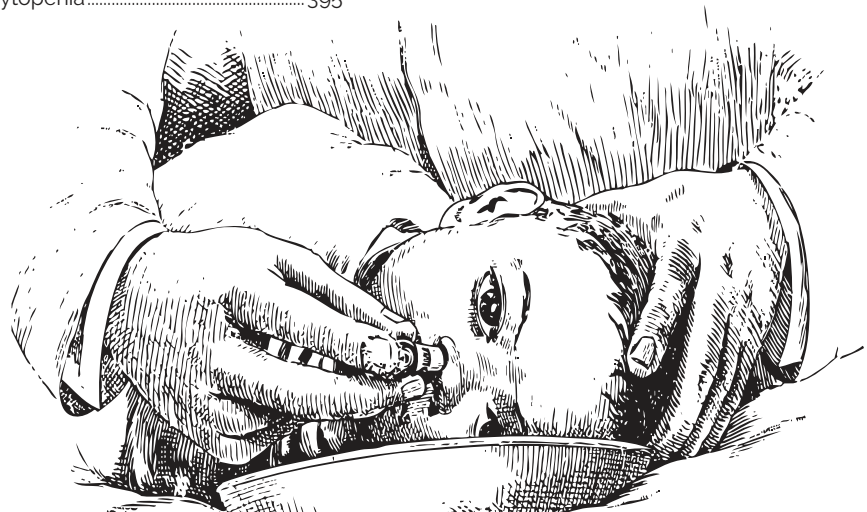

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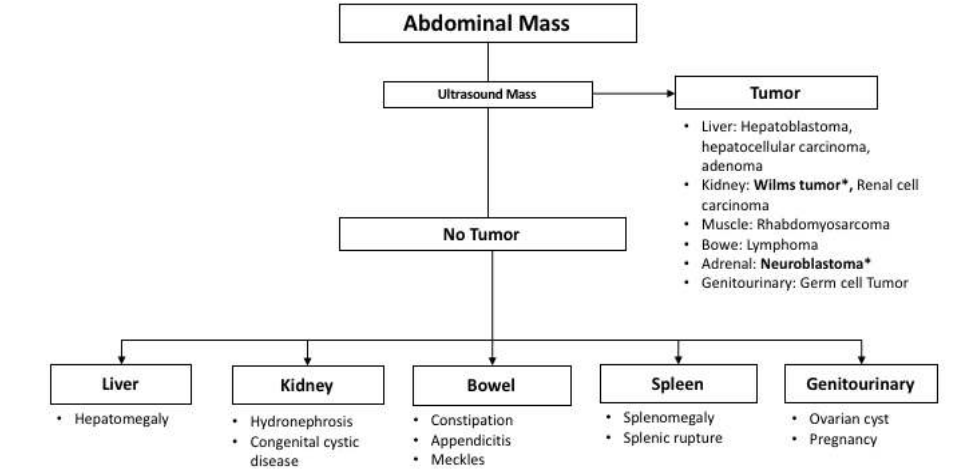

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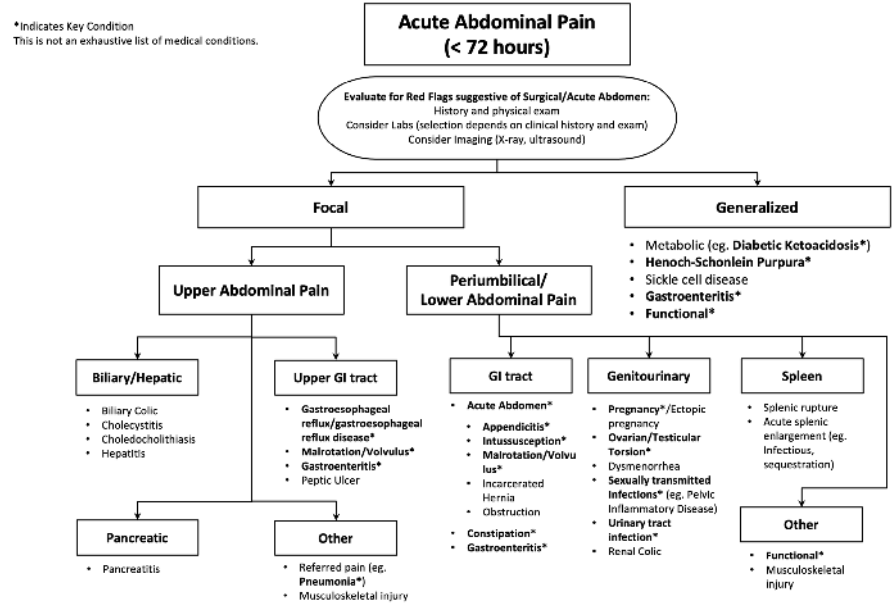

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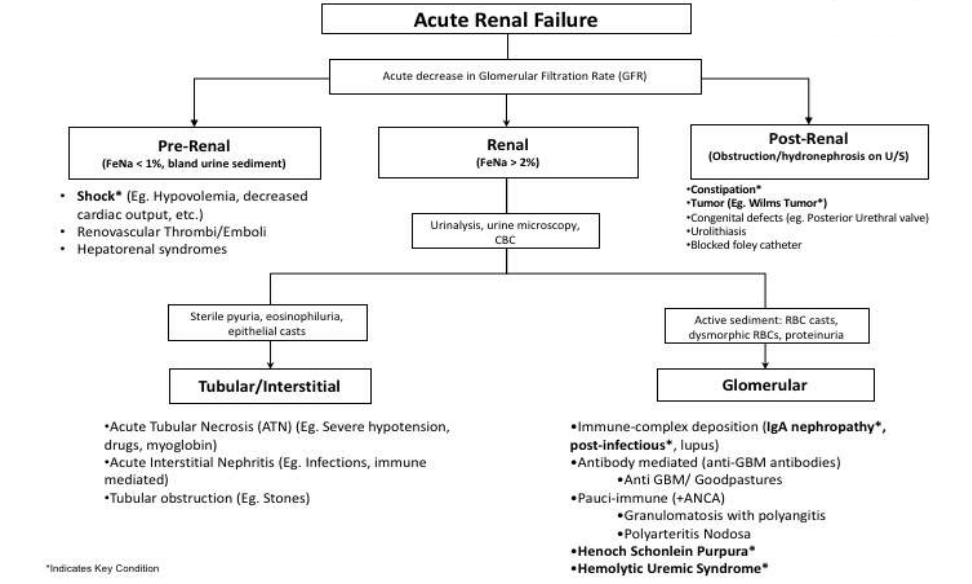

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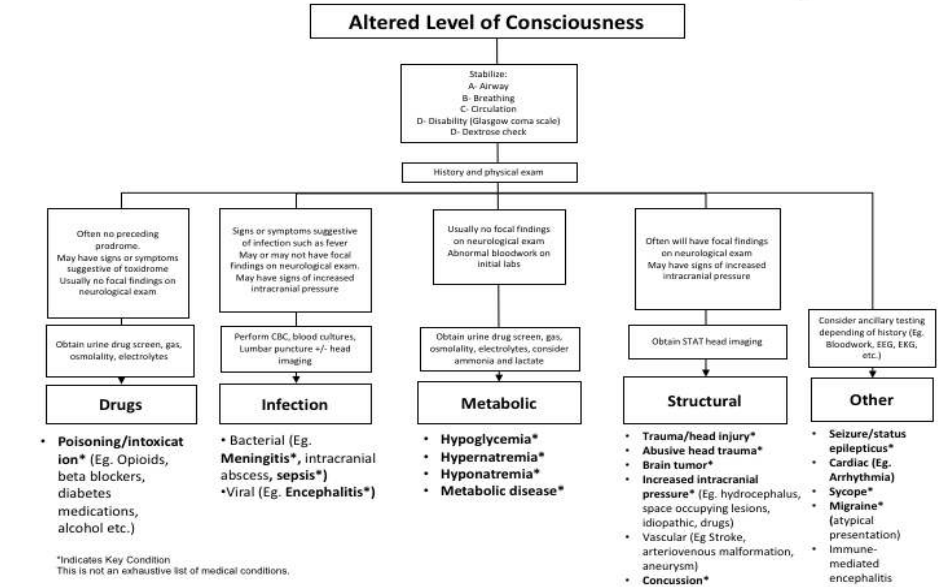
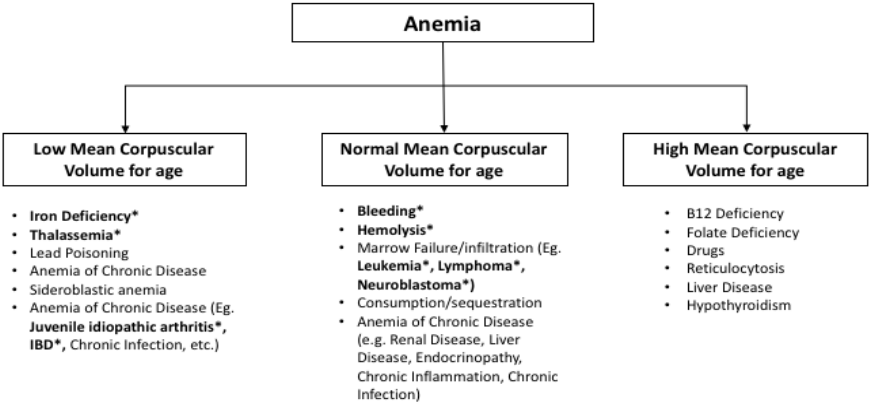


Anemia By MCV



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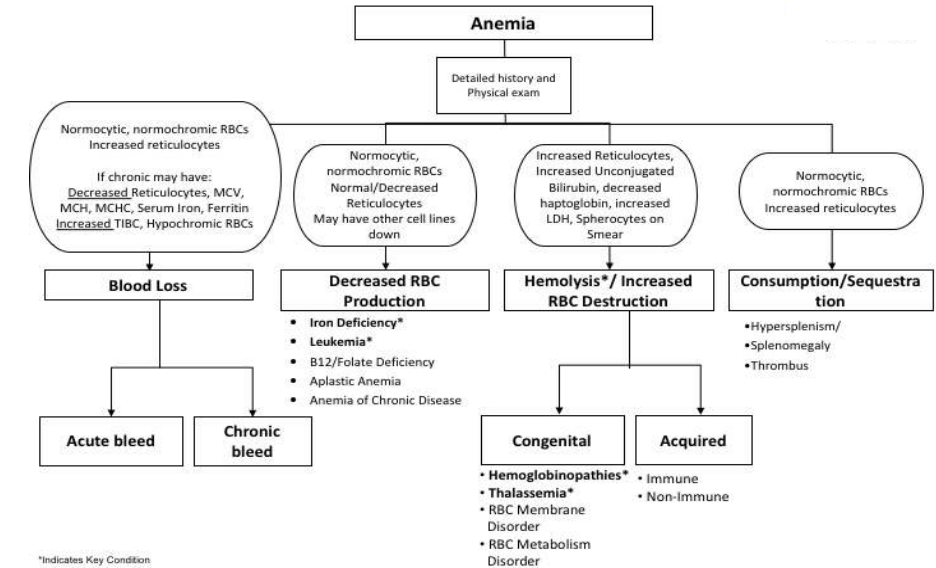

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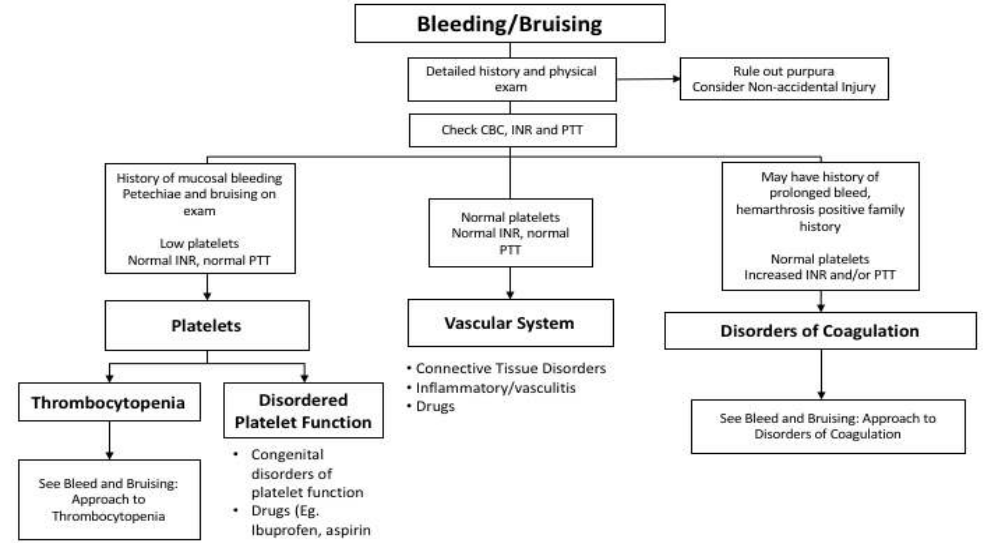

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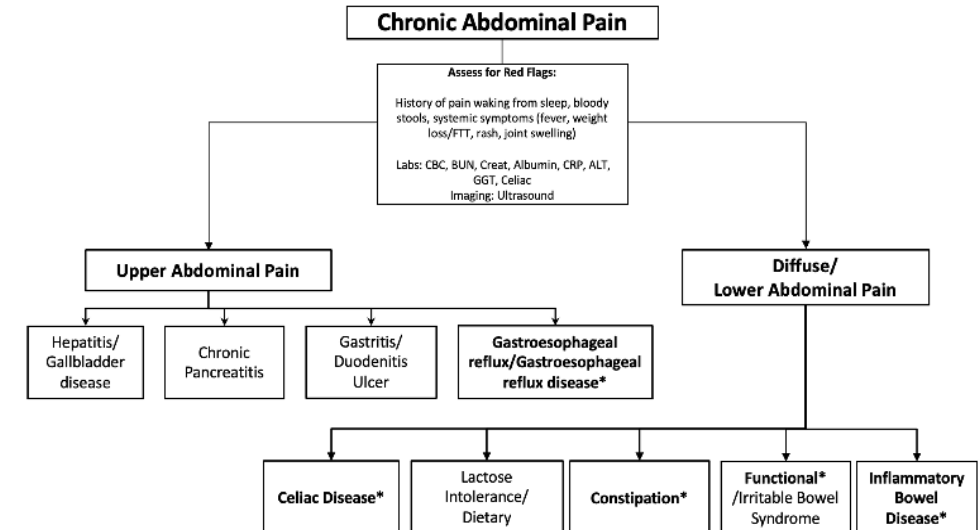

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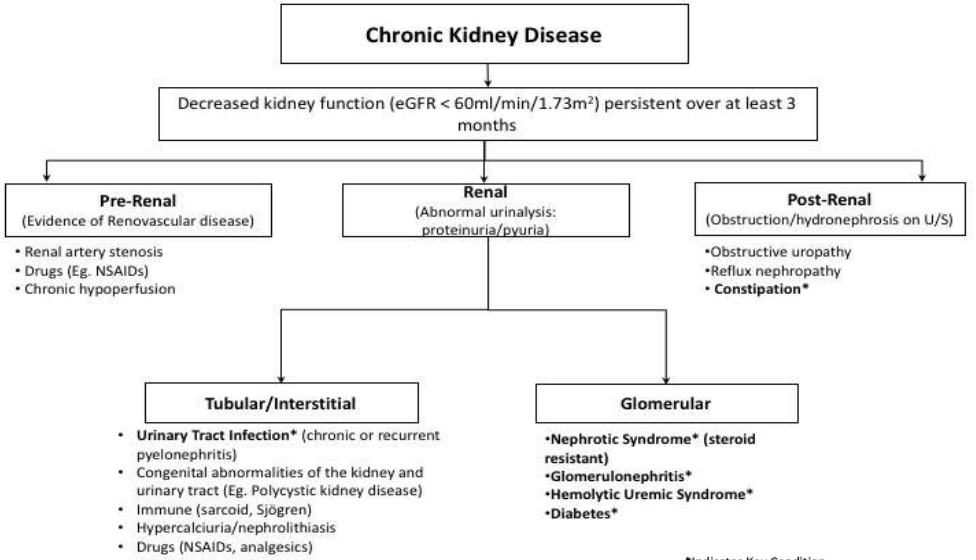
Chronic Kidney Disease



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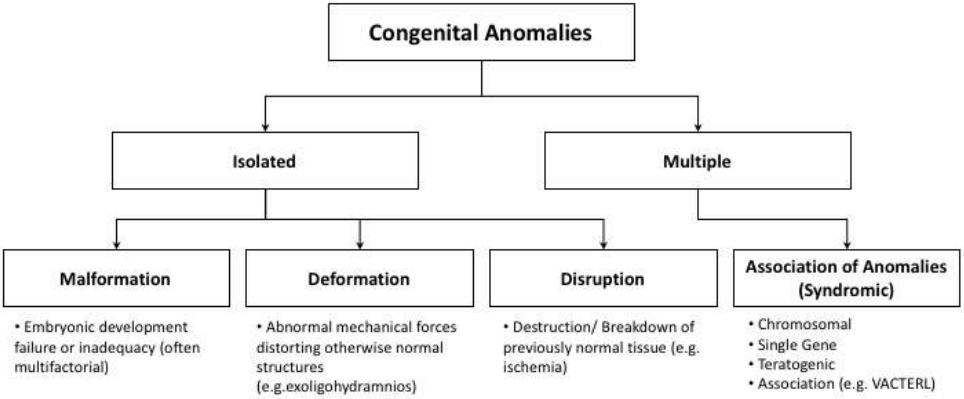
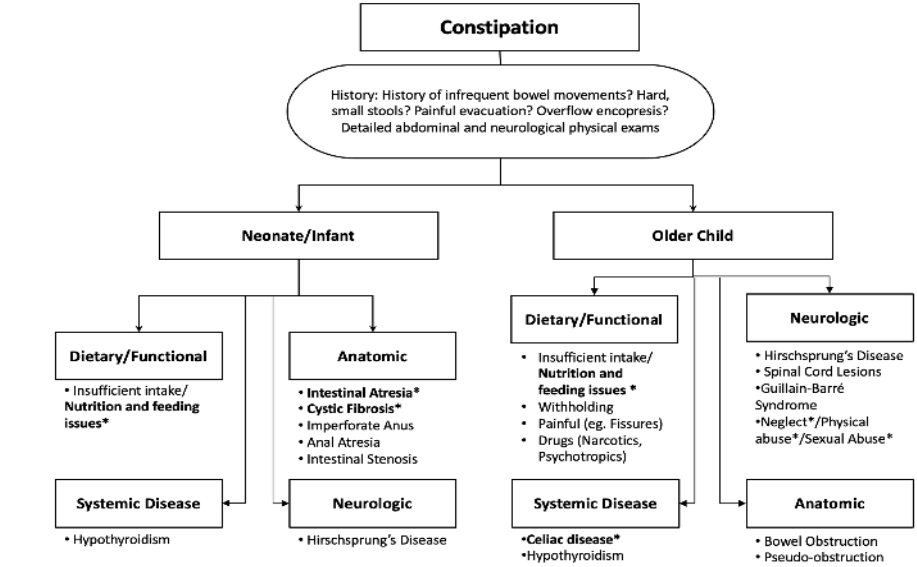
Congenital Anomalies



Things to Consider:
History – Prenatal: maternal health, exposures, screening, ultrasounds; delivery; neonatal
Family History – Three Generations: prior malformations, stillbirths, recurrent miscarriages, consanguinity
Physical Exam – Variants, minor anomalies, major malformation
Diagnostic Procedures – Chromosomes, molecular/DNA, radiology, photography, metabolic
Diagnostic Evaluations – Prognosis, recurrence, prenatal diagnosis, surveillance, treatment

Constipation

(Pediatric)



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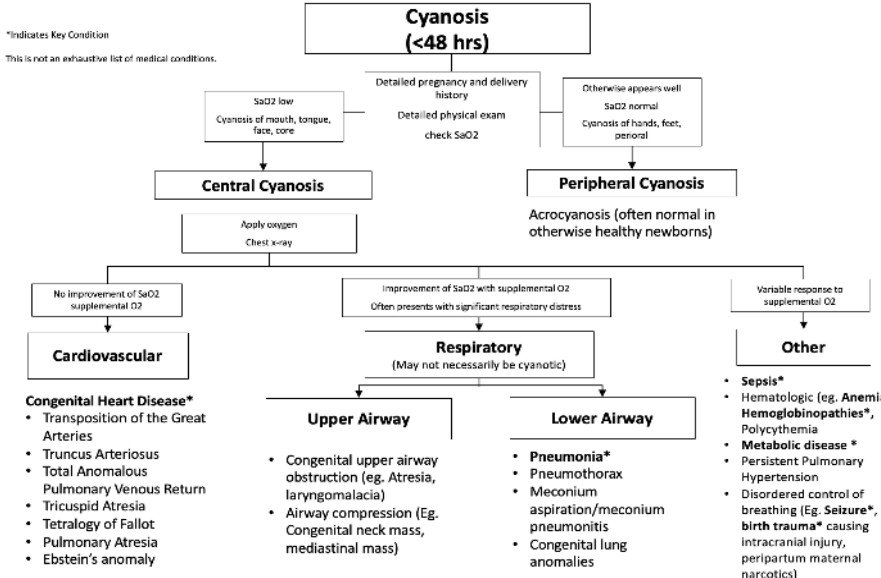
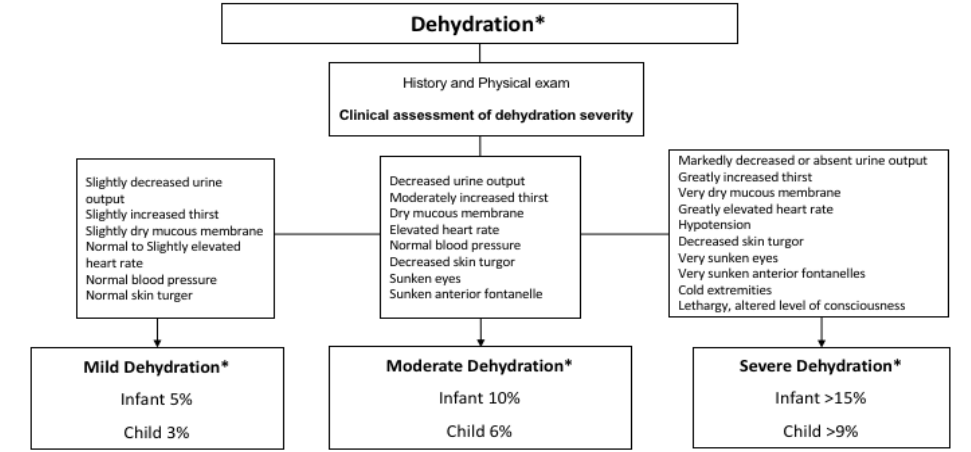
Cyanosis in the Newborn



Dehydration



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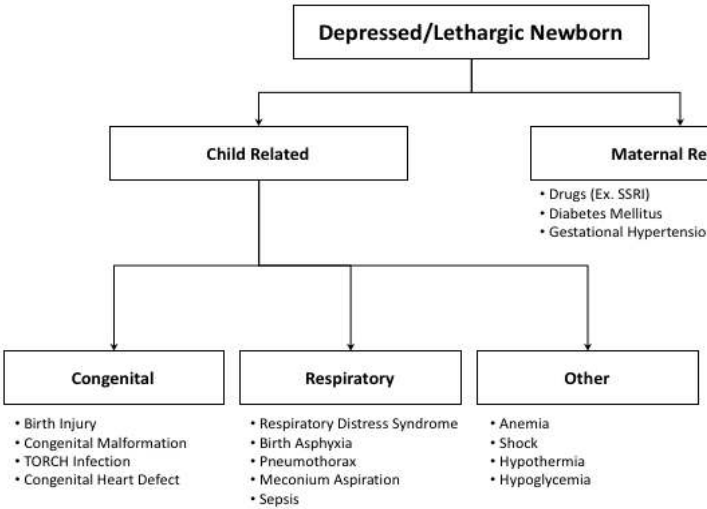
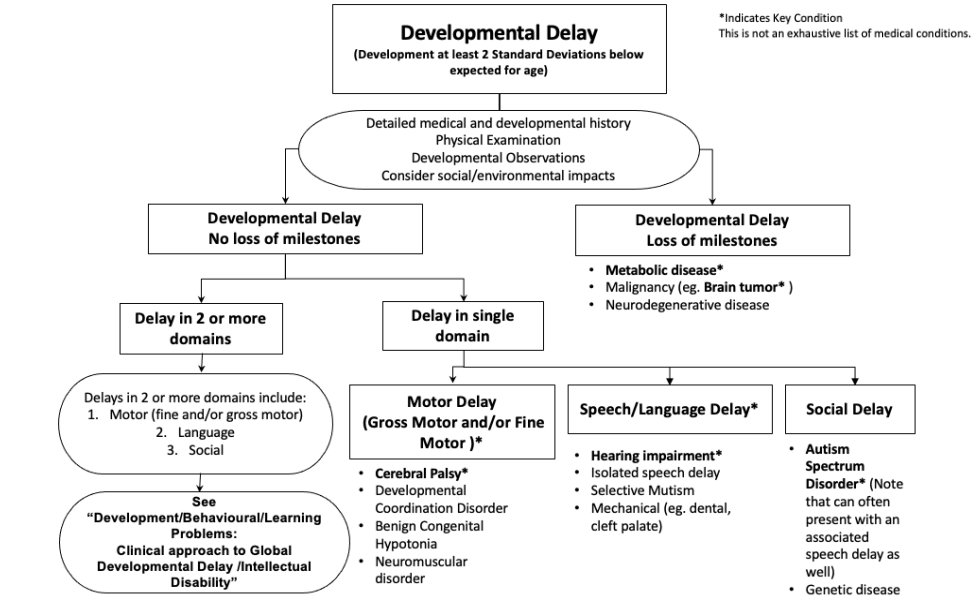
Depressed / Lethargic Newborn

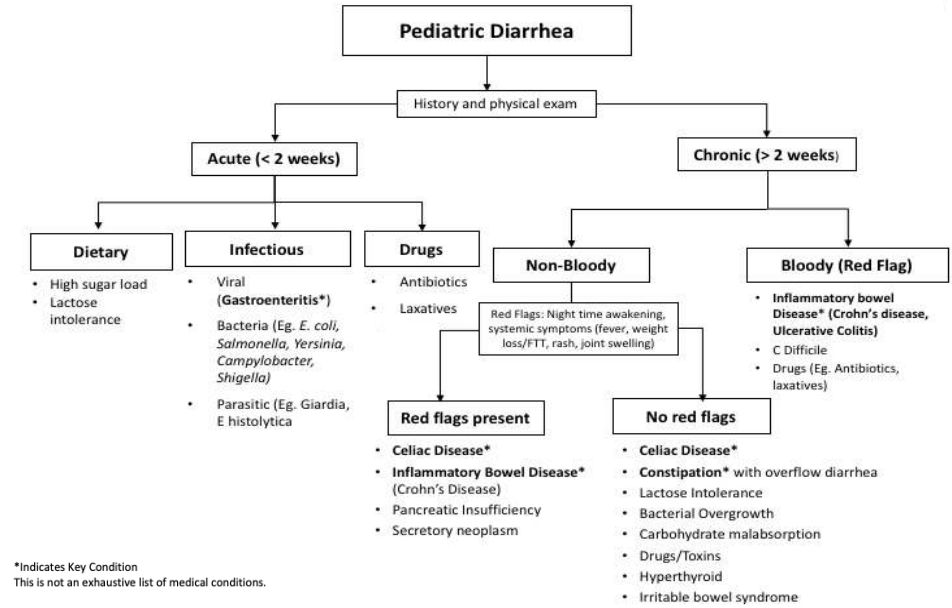


Developmental Delay



Diarrhea

(Pediatric)



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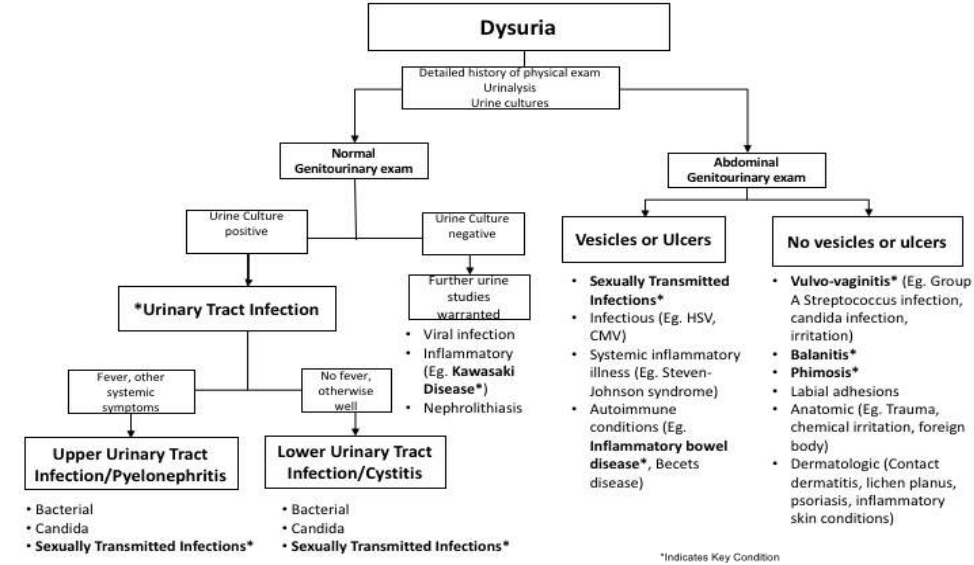
Dysuria


Dysuria
Detailed history of physical exam
Urinalysis
Urine cultures
Normal Genitourinary exam
Abdominal Genitourinary exam
Urine Culture positive
Urine Culture negative
*Urinary Tract Infection
Further urine studies warranted
• Viral infection
• Inflammatory (Eg. Kawasaki Disease*)
• Nephrolithiasis
Fever, other systemic symptoms
No fever, otherwise well
Upper Urinary Tract Infection/Pyelonephritis
Lower Urinary Tract Infection/Cystitis
• Bacterial
• Candida
• Sexually Transmitted Infections*
• Bacterial
• Candida
• Sexually Transmitted Infections*
Vesicles or Ulcers
• Sexually Transmitted Infections*
• Infectious (Eg. HSV, CMV)
• Systemic inflammatory illness (Eg. Steven-Johnson syndrome)
• Autoimmune conditions (Eg. Inflammatory bowel disease*, Becets disease)
No vesicles or ulcers
• Vulvo-vaginitis* (Eg. Group A Streptococcus infection, candida infection, irritation)
• Balanitis*
• Phimosis*
• Labial adhesions
• Anatomic (Eg. Trauma, chemical irritation, foreign body)
• Dermatologic (Contact dermatitis, lichen planus, psoriasis, inflammatory skin conditions)
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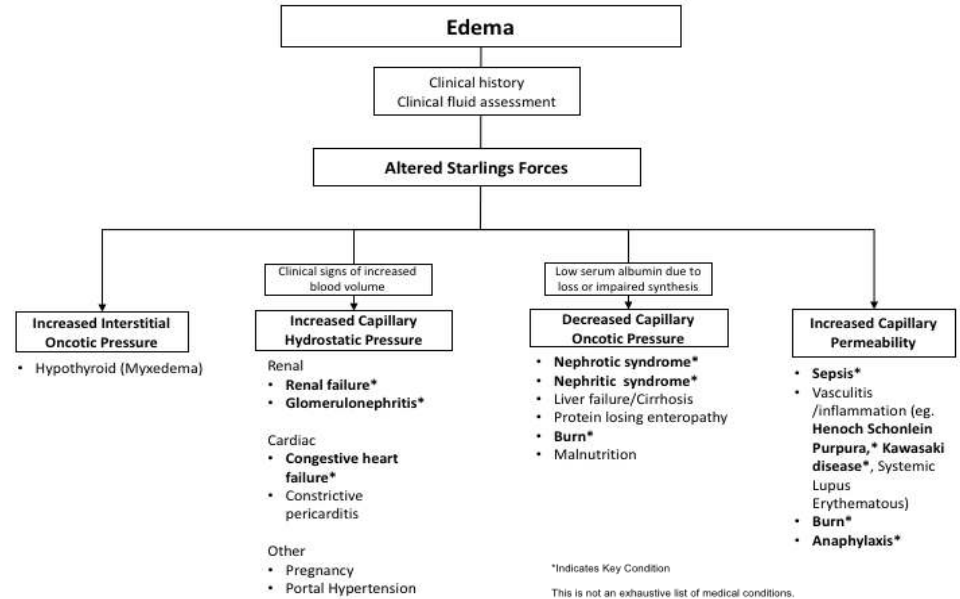
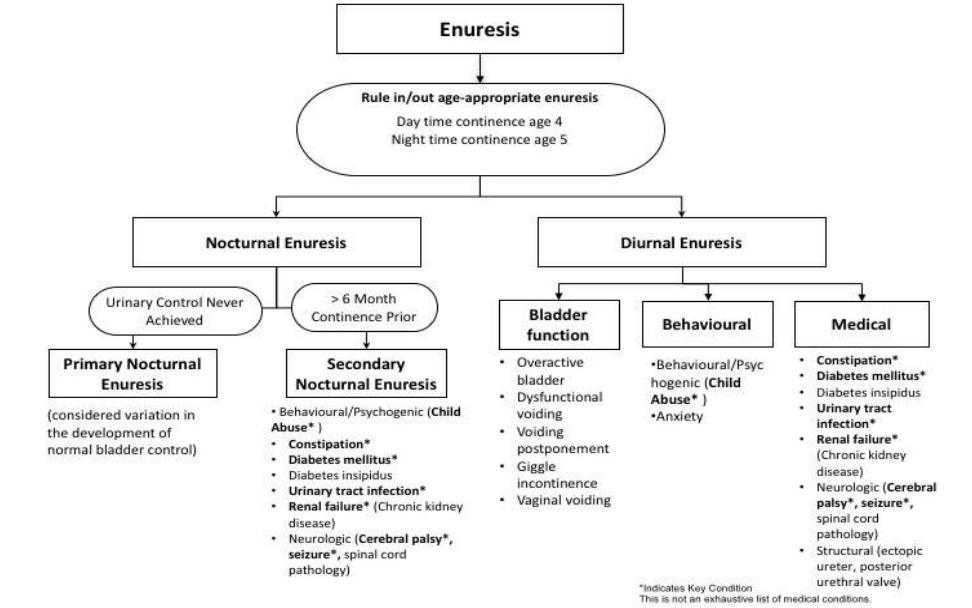
Edema



Enuresis


Enuresis
Rule in/out age-appropriate enuresis
Day time continence age 4
Night time continence age 5
Nocturnal Enuresis
Diurnal Enuresis
Urinary Control Never Achieved
> 6 Month Continence Prior
Primary Nocturnal Enuresis
(considered variation in the development of normal bladder control)
Secondary Nocturnal Enuresis
• Behavioural/Psychogenic (Child Abuse*)
• Constipation*
• Diabetes mellitus*
• Diabetes insipidus
• Urinary tract infection*
• Renal failure* (Chronic kidney disease)
• Neurologic (Cerebral palsy*, seizure*, spinal cord pathology)
Bladder function
• Overactive bladder
• Dysfunctional voiding
• Voiding postponement
• Giggle incontinence
• Vaginal voiding
Behavioural
•Behavioural/Psychogenic (Child Abuse*)
•Anxiety
Medical
• Constipation*
• Diabetes mellitus*
• Diabetes insipidus
• Urinary tract infection*
• Renal failure* (Chronic kidney disease)
• Neurologic (Cerebral palsy*, seizure*, spinal cord pathology)
• Structural (ectopic ureter, posterior urethral valve)
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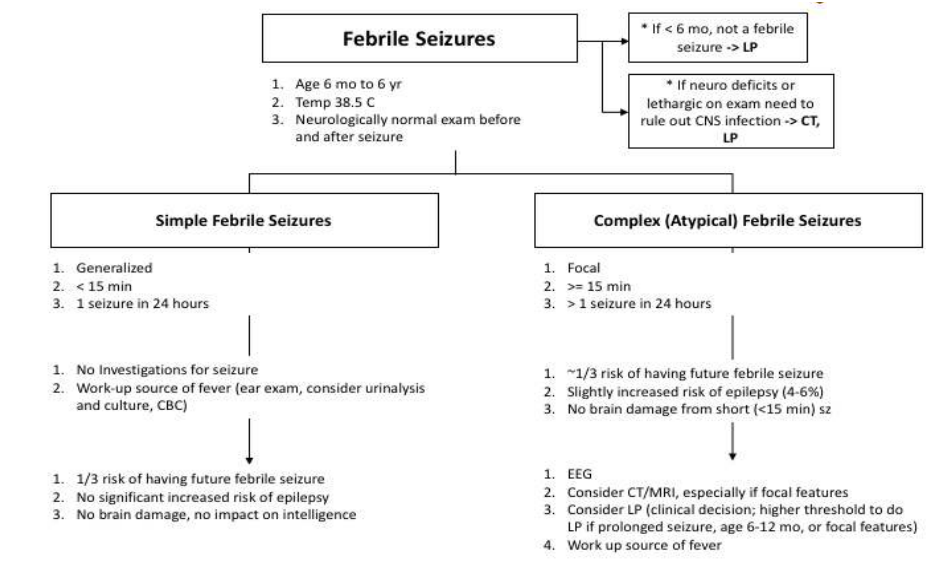
Febrile Seizures



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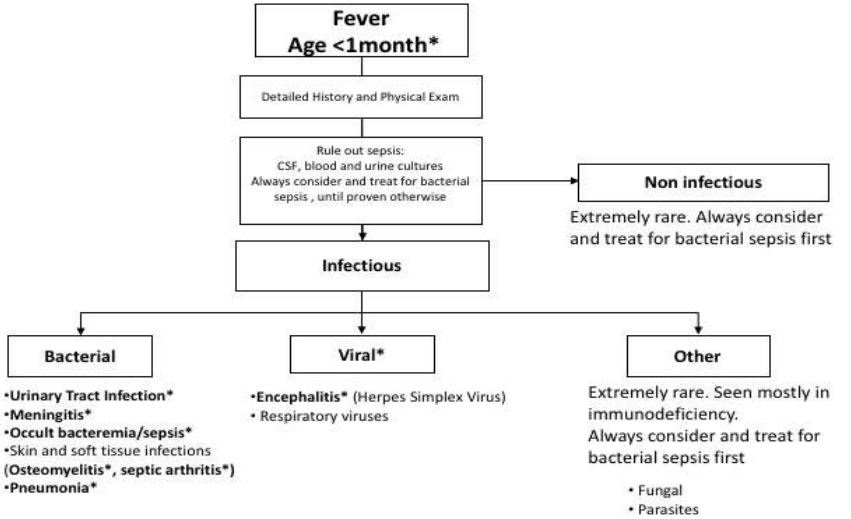
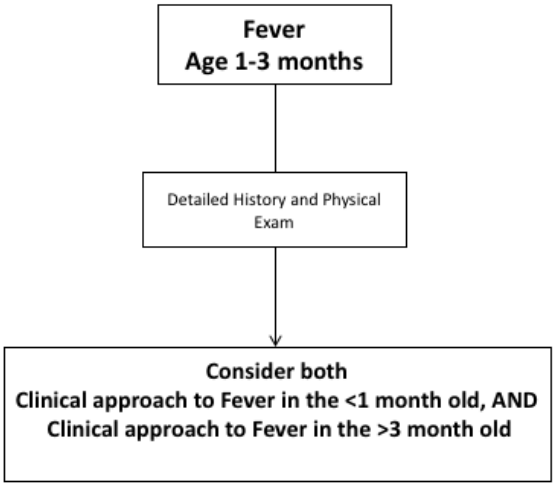
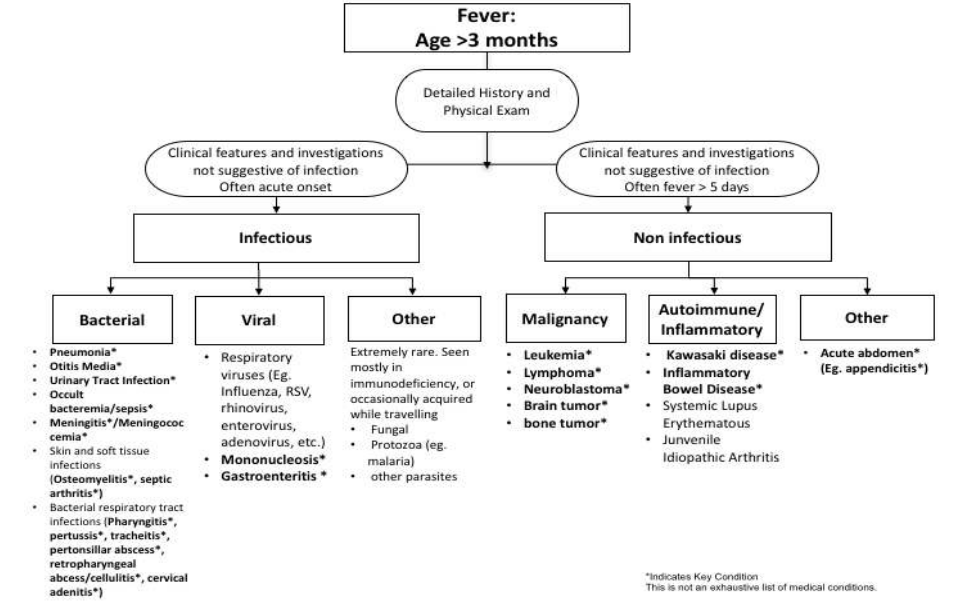
Fever (Age <1 Month)



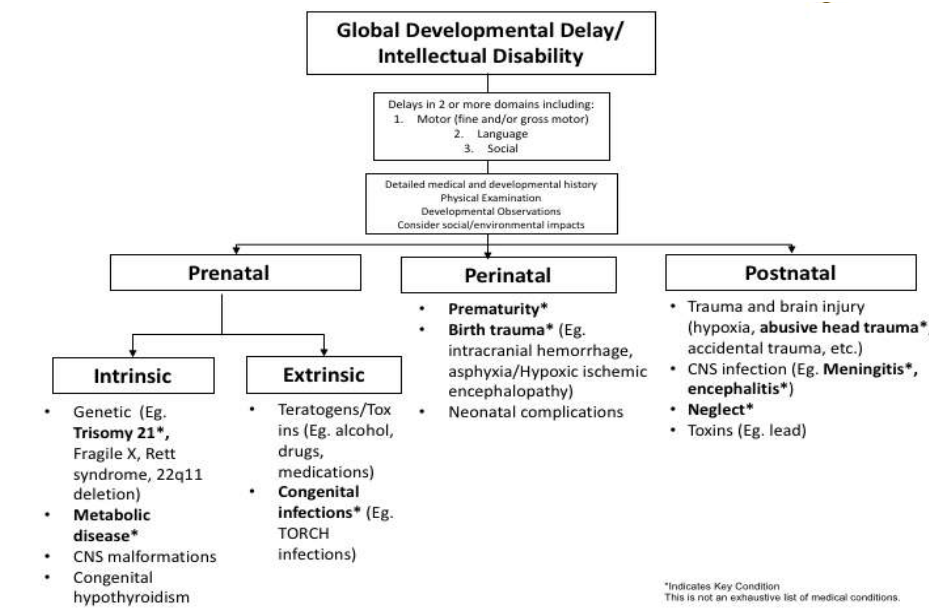
Fever (Age 1-3 Months)



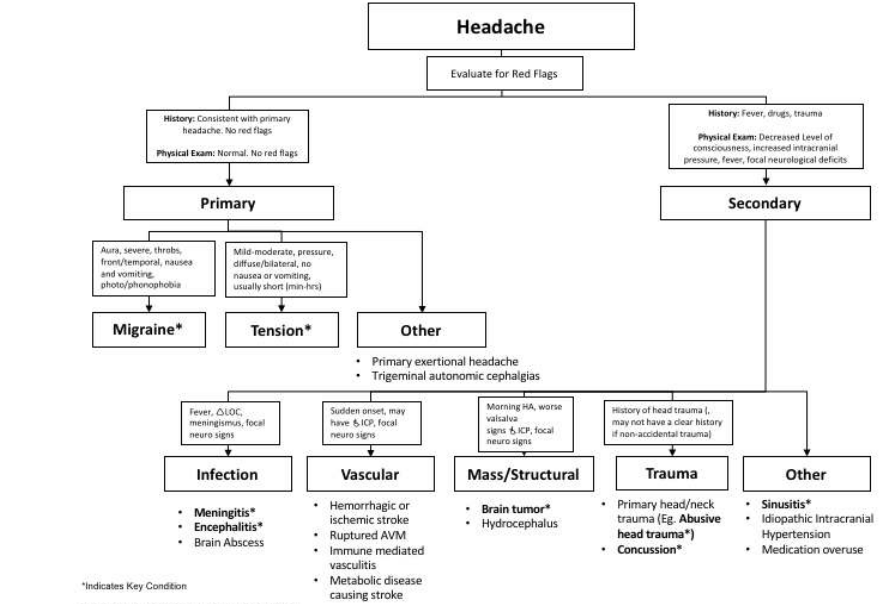
Fever (Age >3 Months)



Global Developmental Delay / Intellectual Disability



Headache


Headache
Evaluate for Red Flags
History: Consistent with primary headache. No red flags
Physical Exam: Normal. No red flags
History: Fever, drugs, trauma
Physical Exam: Decreased Level of consciousness, increased intracranial pressure, fever, focal neurological deficits
Primary
Secondary
Aura, severe, throbs, front/temporal, nausea and vomiting, photo/phonophobia
Mild-moderate, pressure, diffuse/bilateral, no nausea or vomiting, usually short (min-hrs)
Migraine*
Tension*
Other
• Primary exertional headache
• Trigeminal autonomic cephalgias
Fever, △LOC, meningismus, focal neuro signs
Sudden onset, may have ↑ICP, focal neuro signs
Morning HA, worse valsalva signs ↑ICP, focal neuro signs
History of head trauma (, may not have a clear history if non-accidental trauma)
Infection
Vascular
Mass/Structural
Trauma
Other
• Meningitis*
• Encephalitis*
• Brain Abscess
• Hemorrhagic or ischemic stroke
• Ruptured AVM
• Immune mediated vasculitis
• Metabolic disease causing stroke
• Brain tumor*
• Hydrocephalus
• Primary head/neck trauma (Eg. Abusive head trauma*)
• Concussion*
• Sinusitis*
• Idiopathic Intracranial Hypertension
• Medication overuse
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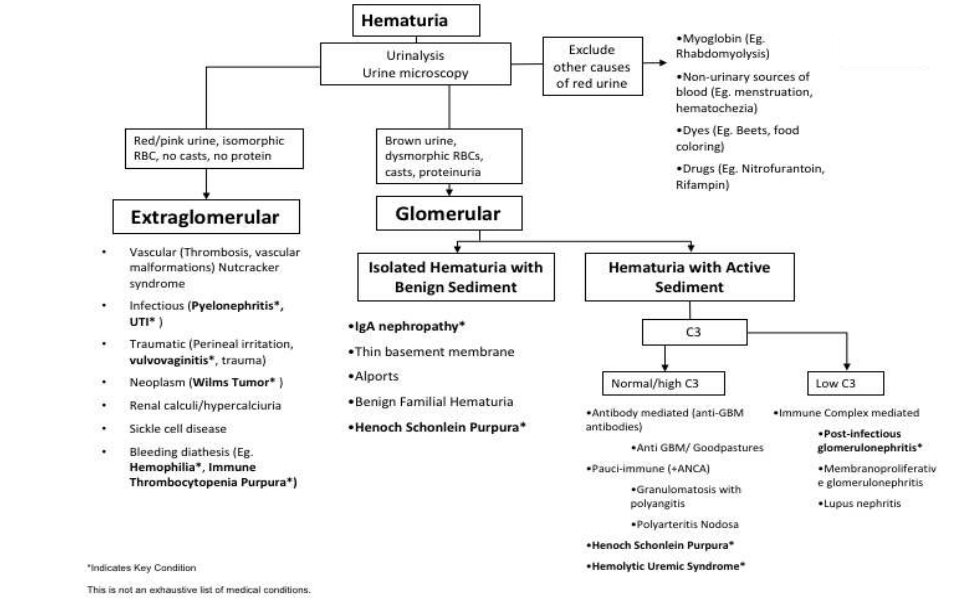
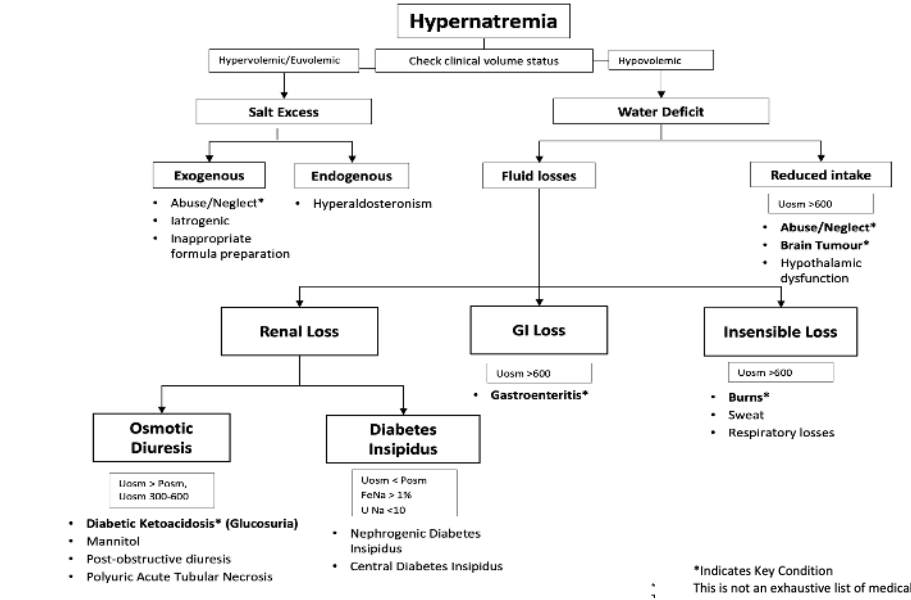
Hematuria



Hypernatremia



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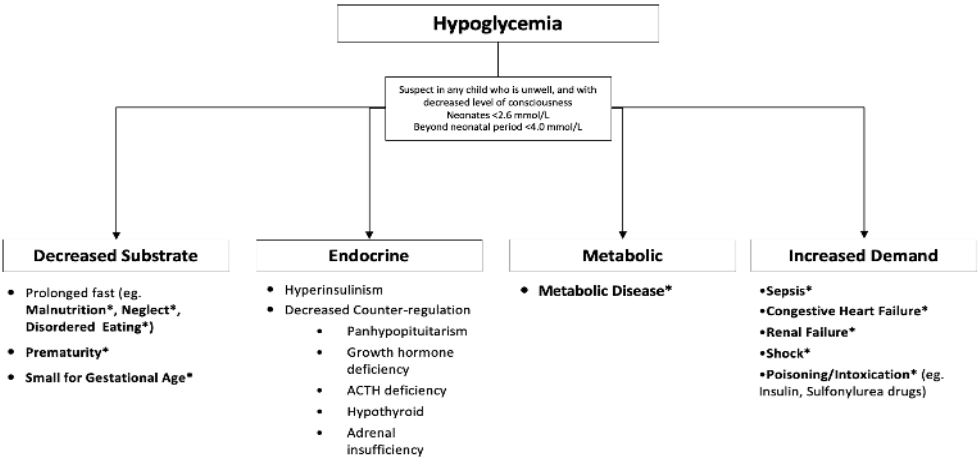
Hypoglycemia



⚠ *Potentially acutely life-threatening presentation*

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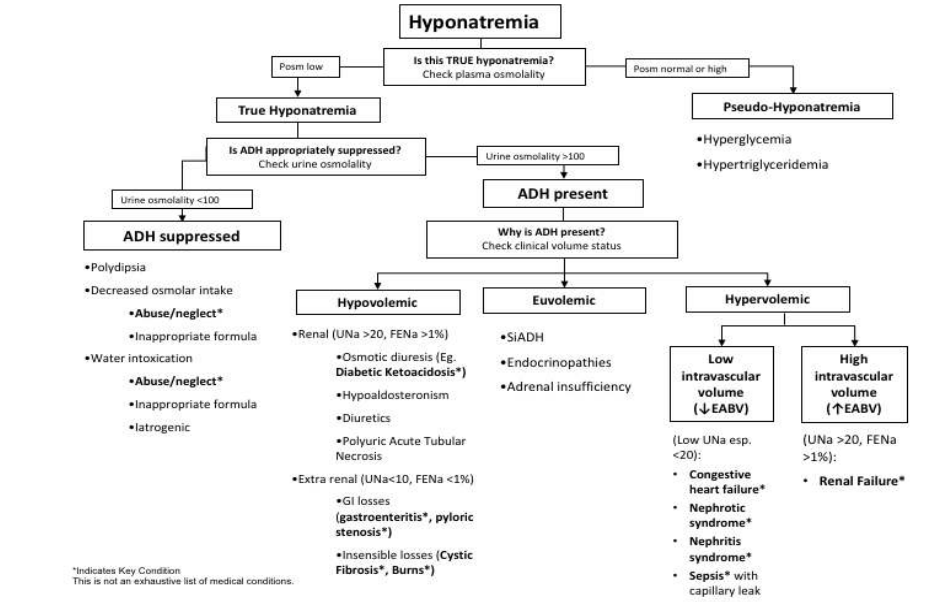
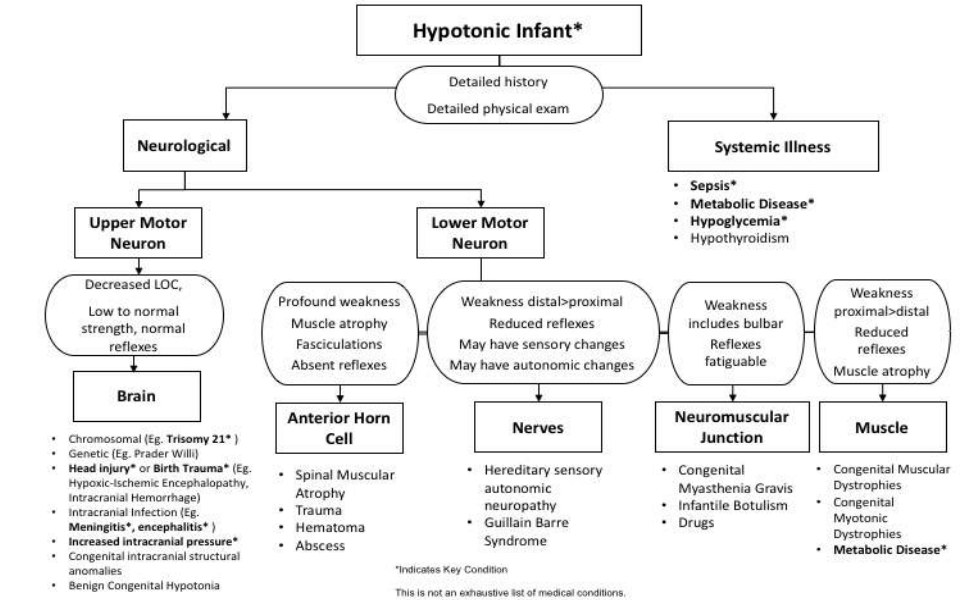
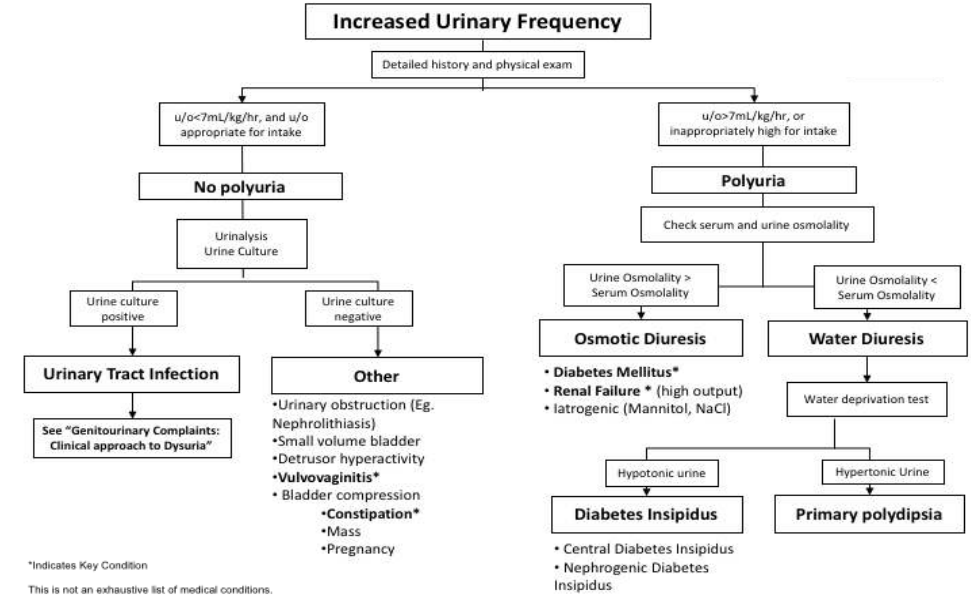


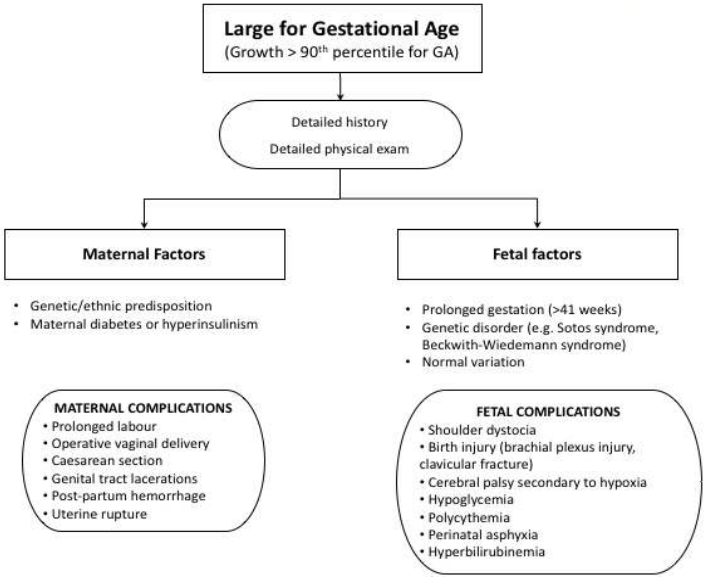
Hypotonic Infant (Floppy Newborn)



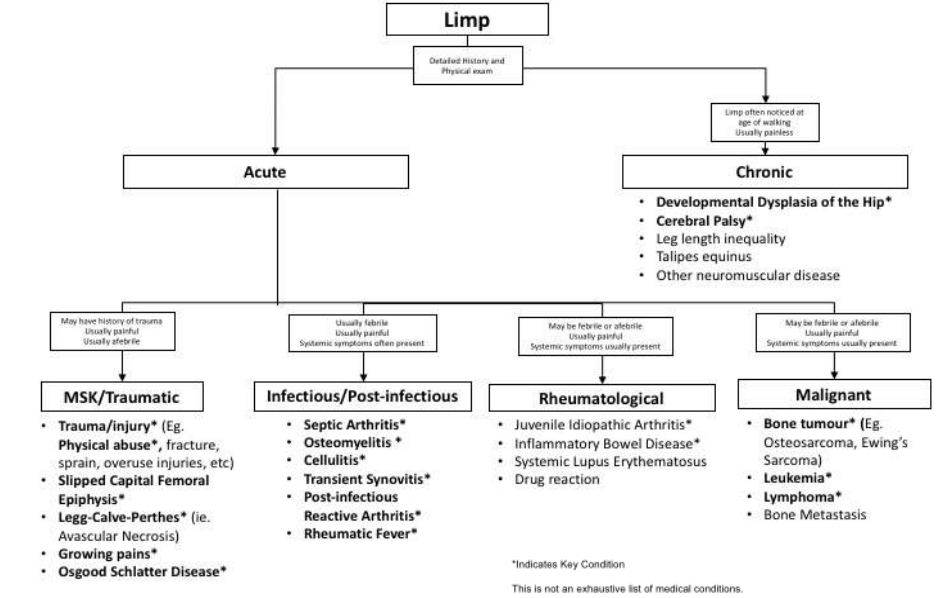
Increased Urinary Frequency



Large for Gestational Age



Limp


Limp
Detailed History and Physical exam
Limp often noticed at age of walking
Usually painless
Acute
Chronic
• Developmental Dysplasia of the Hip*
• Cerebral Palsy*
• Leg length inequality
• Talipes equinus
• Other neuromuscular disease
May have history of trauma
Usually painful
Usually afebrile
Usually febrile
Usually painful
Systemic symptoms often present
May be febrile or afebrile
Usually painful
Systemic symptoms usually present
May be febrile or afebrile
Usually painful
Systemic symptoms usually present
MSK/Traumatic
• Trauma/injury* (Eg. Physical abuse*, fracture, sprain, overuse injuries, etc)
• Slipped Capital Femoral Epiphysis*
• Legg-Calve-Perthes* (ie. Avascular Necrosis)
• Growing pains*
• Osgood Schlatter Disease*
Infectious/Post-infectious
• Septic Arthritis*
• Osteomyelitis *
• Cellulitis*
• Transient Synovitis*
• Post-infectious Reactive Arthritis*
• Rheumatic Fever*
Rheumatological
• Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis*
• Inflammatory Bowel Disease*
• Systemic Lupus Erythematosus
• Drug reaction
Malignant
• Bone tumour* (Eg. Osteosarcoma, Ewing's Sarcoma)
• Leukemia*
• Lymphoma*
• Bone Metastasis
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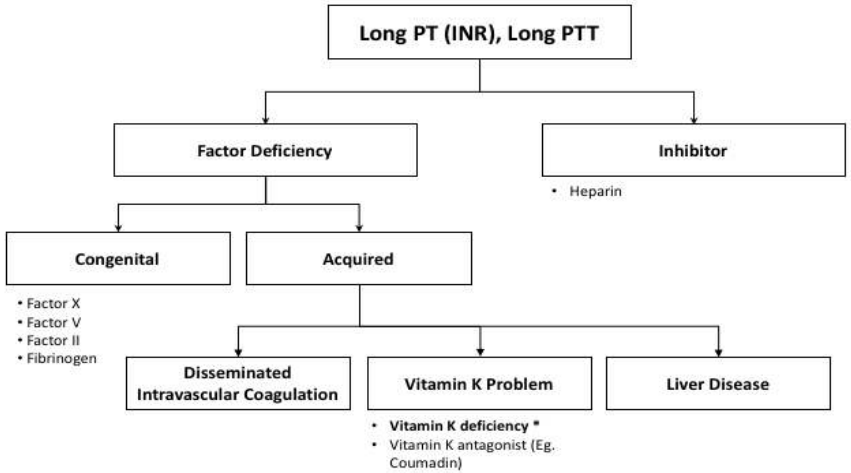
Long PT (INR)**, Long PTT**



Notes:

- PT more sensitive to Vitamin K deficiency; therefore PT used for monitoring Coumadin therapy (PTT only affected in very severe cases)
- PTT more sensitive to heparin; therefore PTT used for monitoring heparin therapy (PT only affected in very severe cases)

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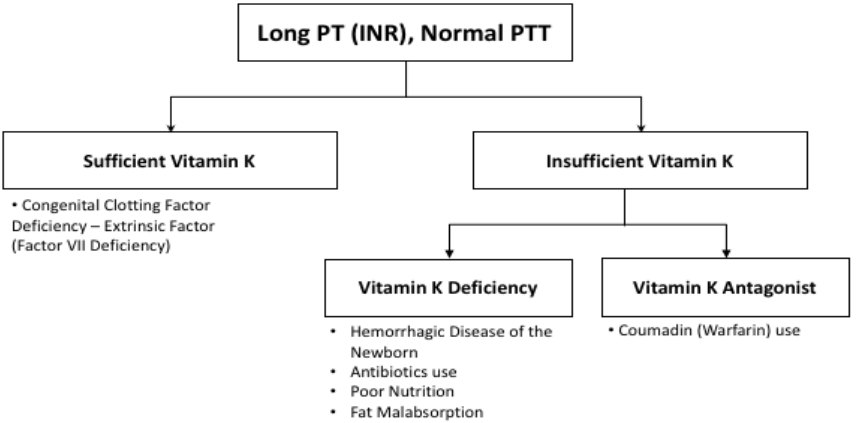
Long PT (INR)**, Normal PTT**



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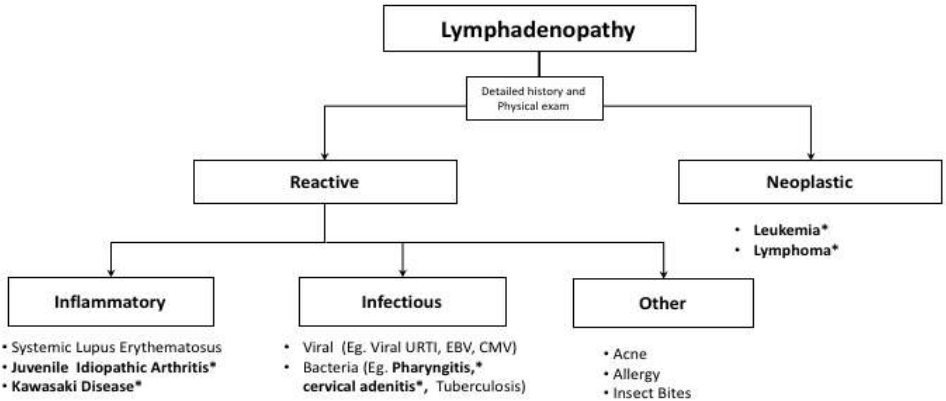
Lymphadenopathy



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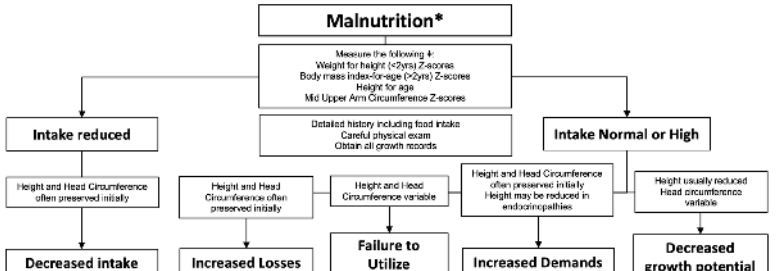
Malnutrition



÷ DEFINITION FOR MALNUTRITION: ONE DATA POINT (AAP, Academy Dietetics and Nutrition)

Primary Indicator	Moderate Malnutrition	Severe Malnutrition
Weight for length <2 yrs. BMI (>2 yrs.)	-2 to -2.9	≤ -3
Height for age		≤ -3
MUAC	-2 to -2.9	≤ -3

÷ DEFINITION FOR MALNUTRITION: TWO OR MORE DATA POINTS (AAP, Academy Dietetics and Nutrition)

Primary Indicator	Moderate Malnutrition	Severe Malnutrition
Weight gain velocity (<2 yrs.)	<50% of the norm	<25% of the norm
Weight loss (>2 yrs.)	7.5% BW	>10% BW
Decline in weight for length/BMI	↓ 2 z score	↓ 3 z scores

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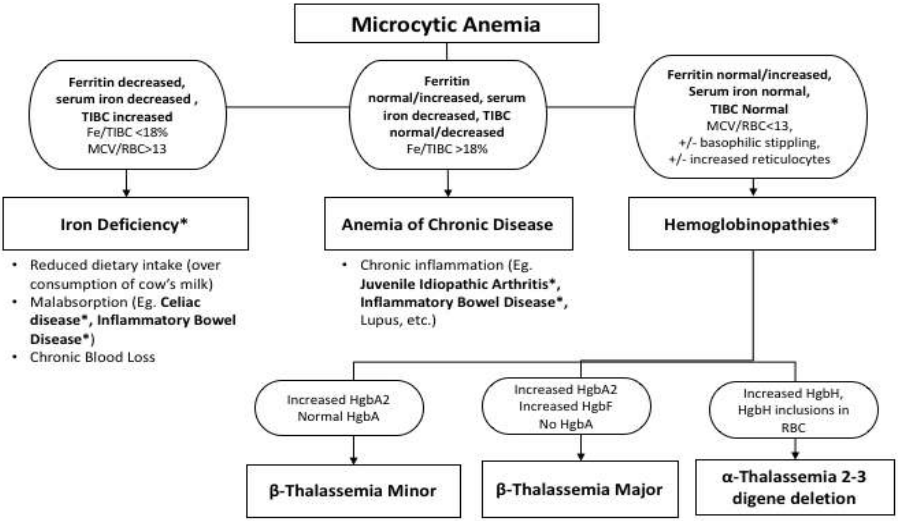
Microcytic Anemia



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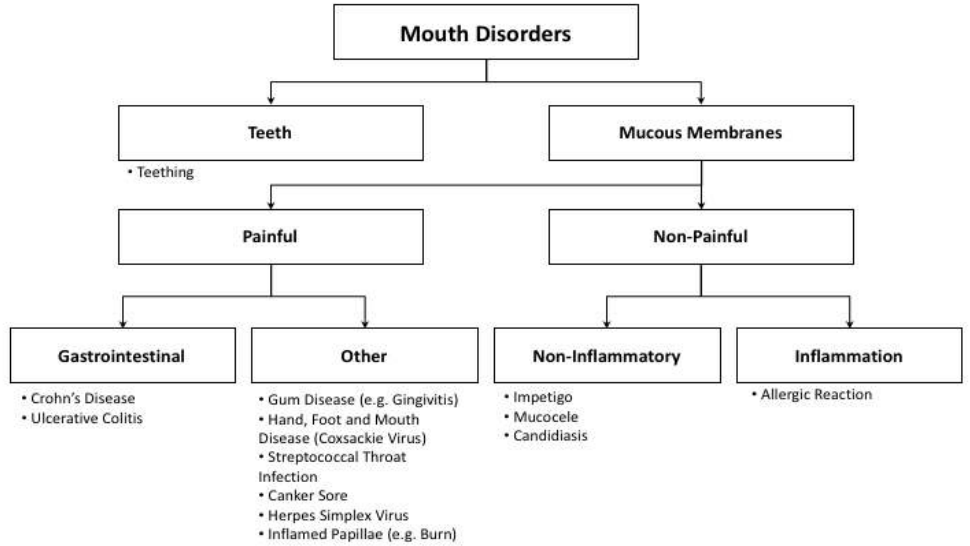
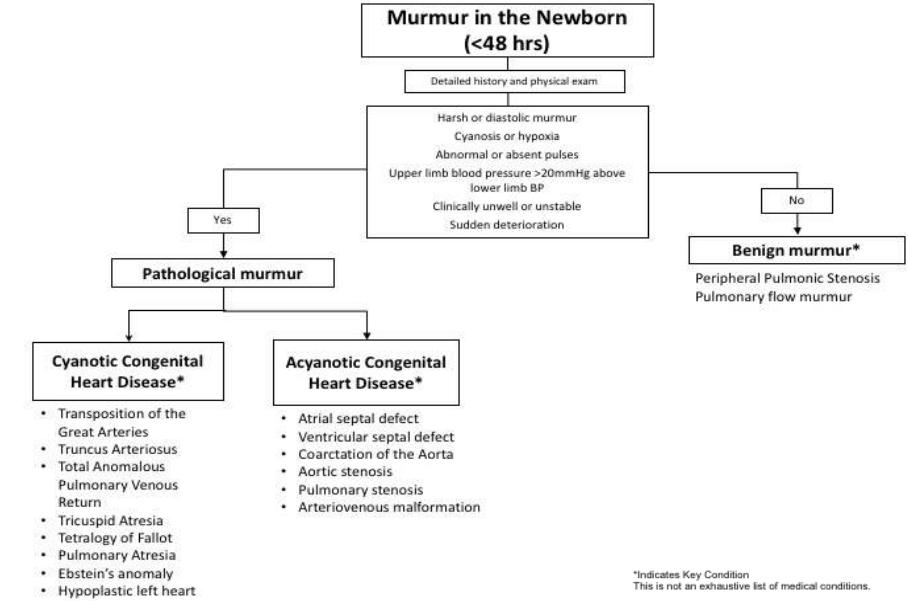
Mouth Disorders (Pediatric)



Murmur In The Newborn (<48 Hours)



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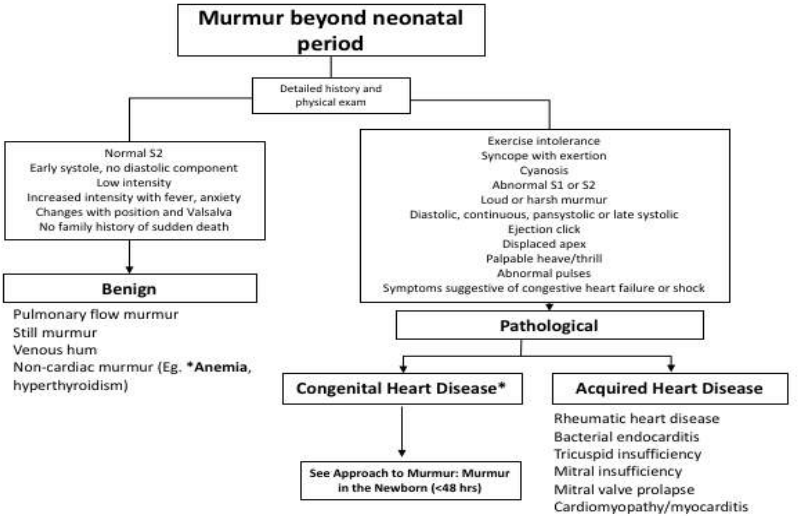
Murmur In The Newborn Beyond Neonatal Period



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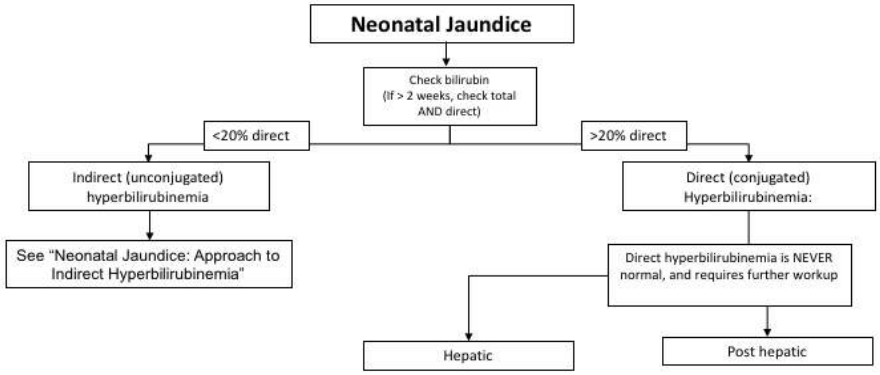
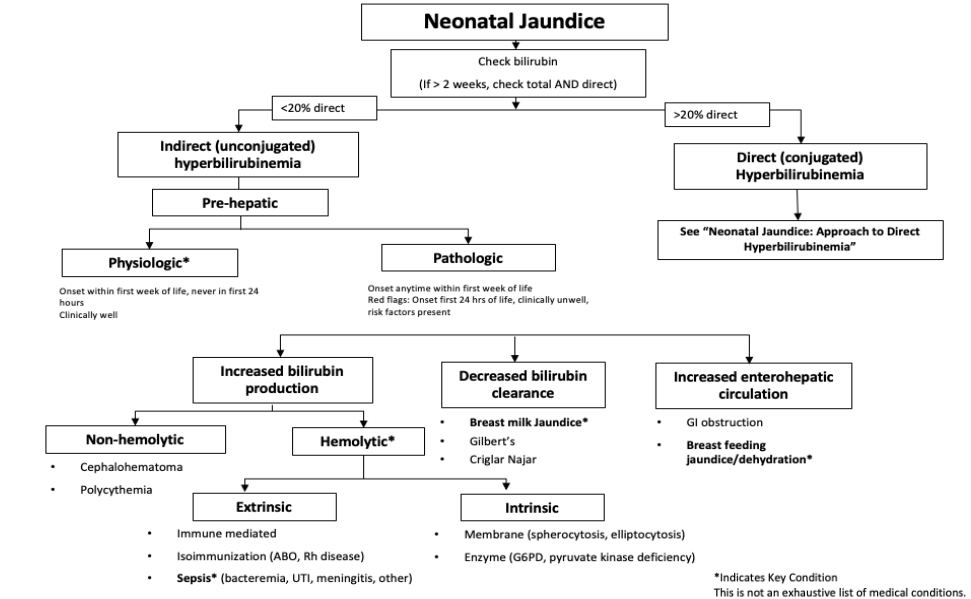
Neonatal Jaundice

Approach To Direct Hyperbilirubinemia



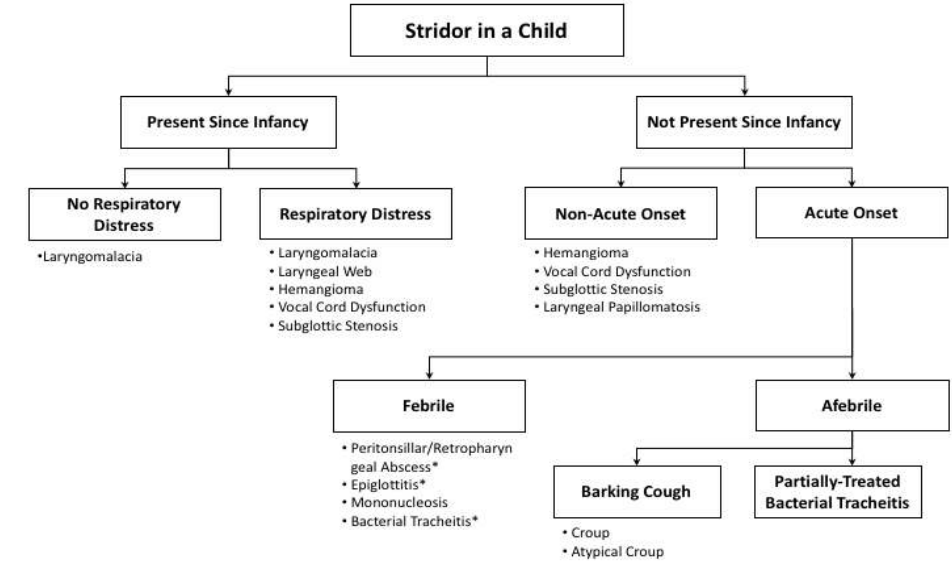
Neonatal Jaundice

Approach To Indirect Hyperbilirubinemia



Noisy Breathing

Pediatric Stridor



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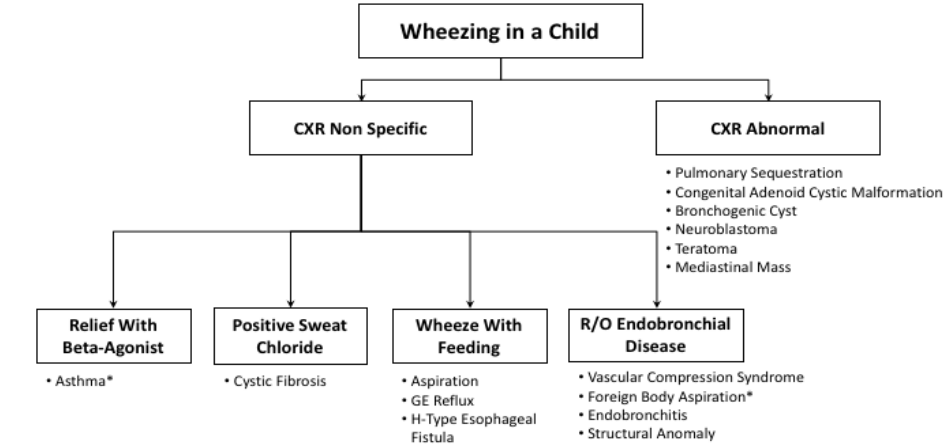
Noisy Breathing

Pediatric Wheezing



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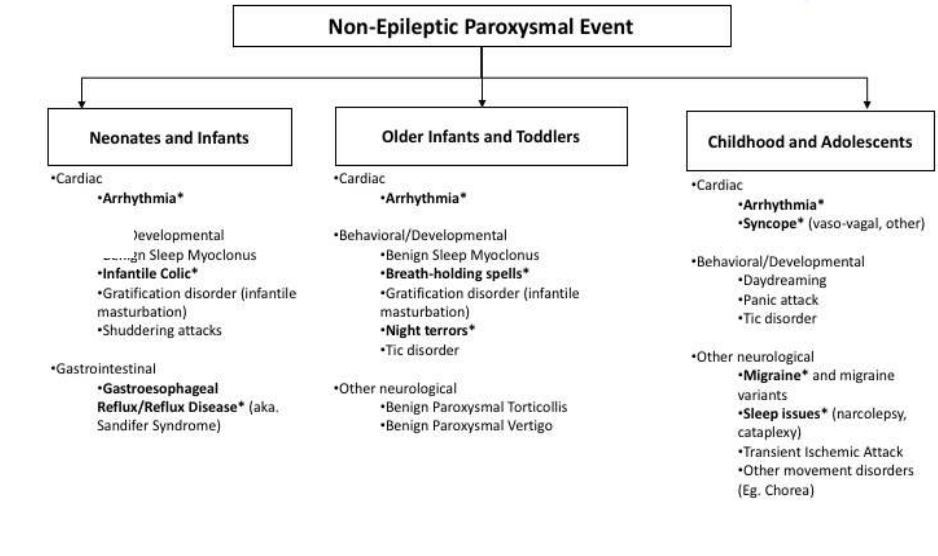

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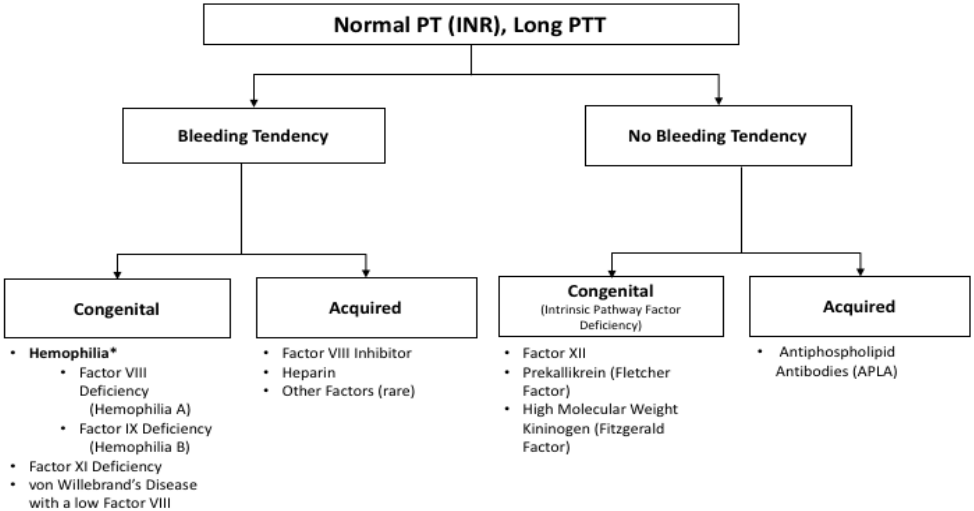
Normal PT (INR)**, Long PTT**



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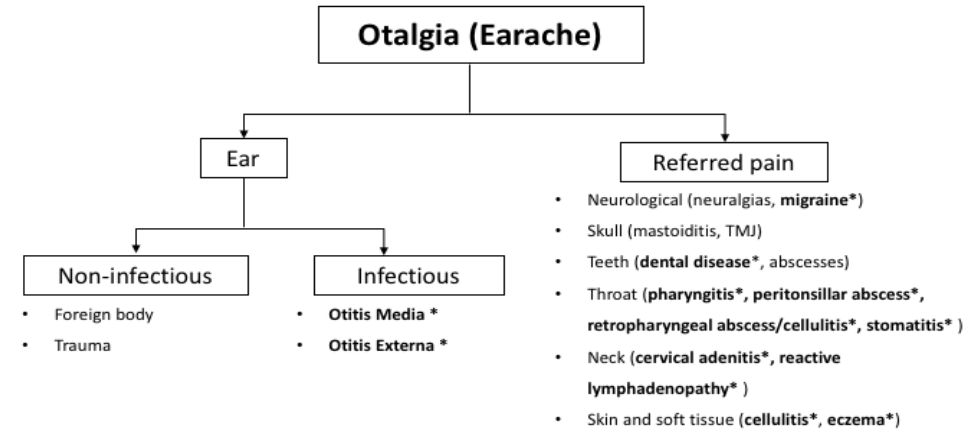

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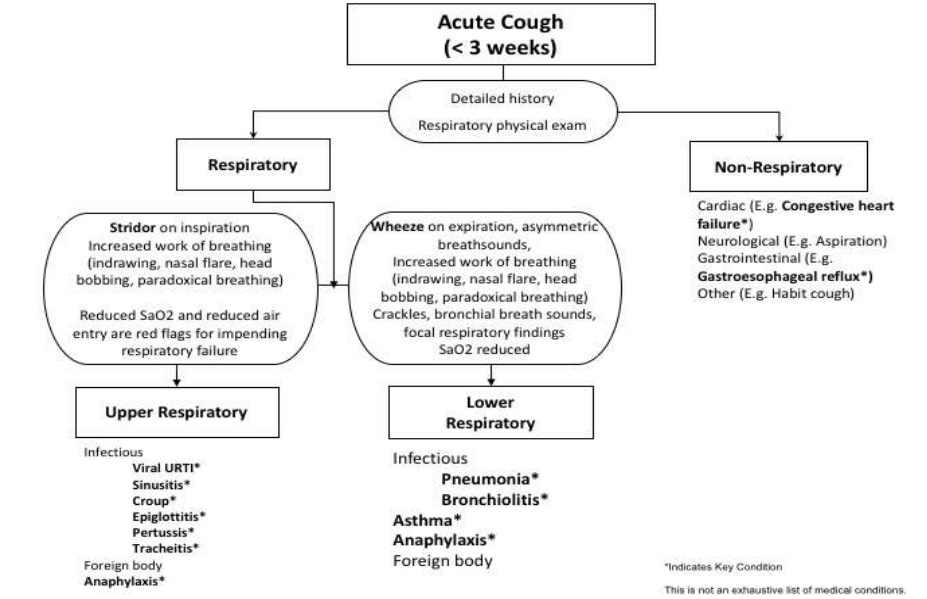
Pediatric Cough

Acute



Pediatric Cough

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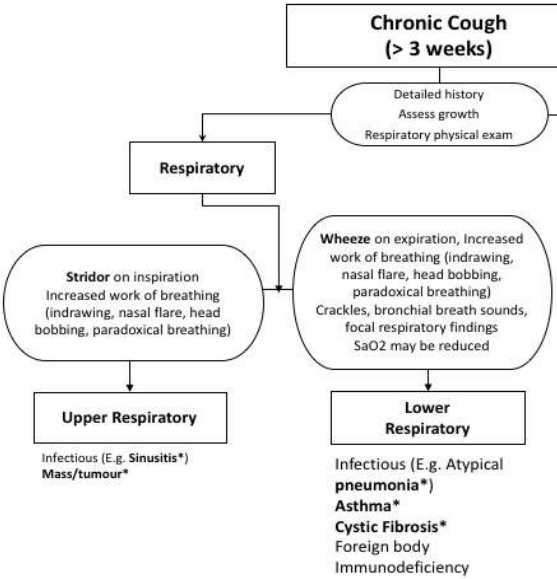

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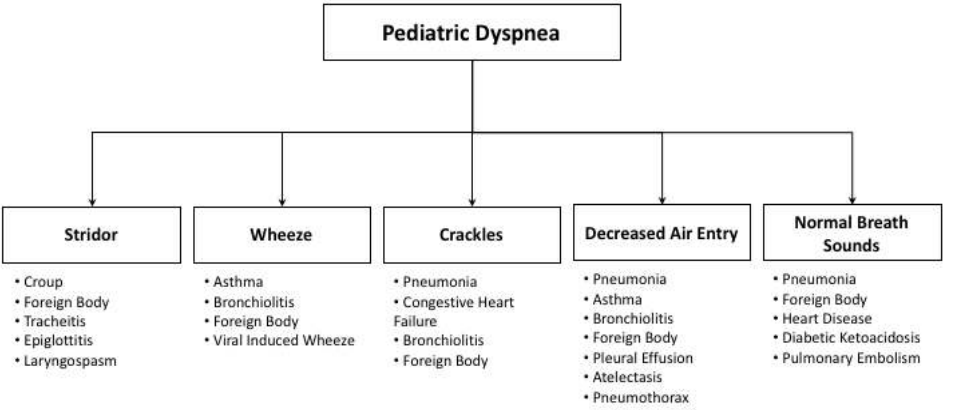
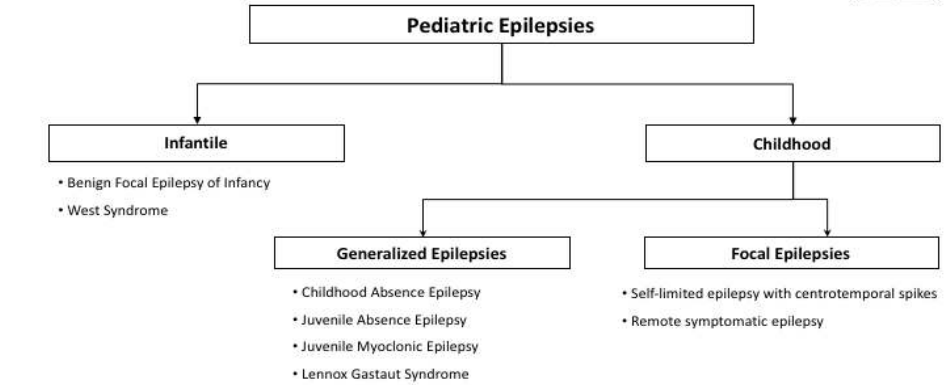


Pediatric Epilepsies



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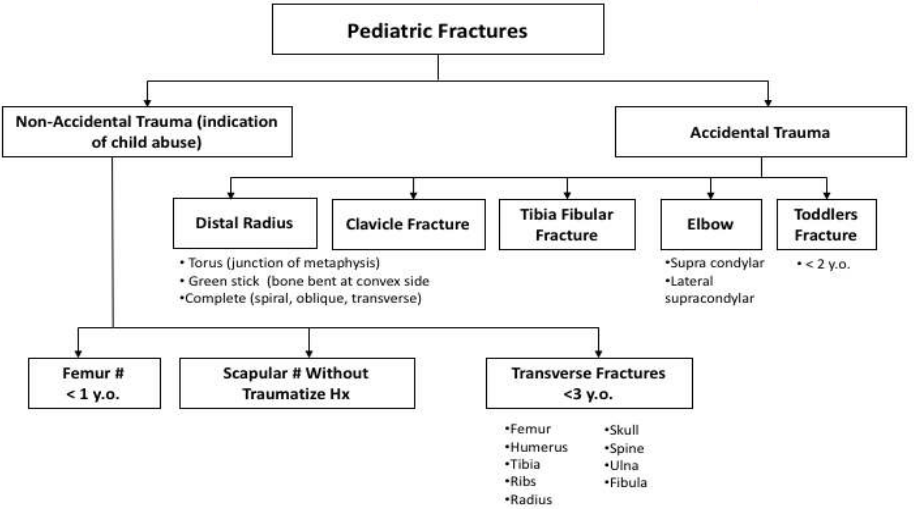
Pediatric Fractures



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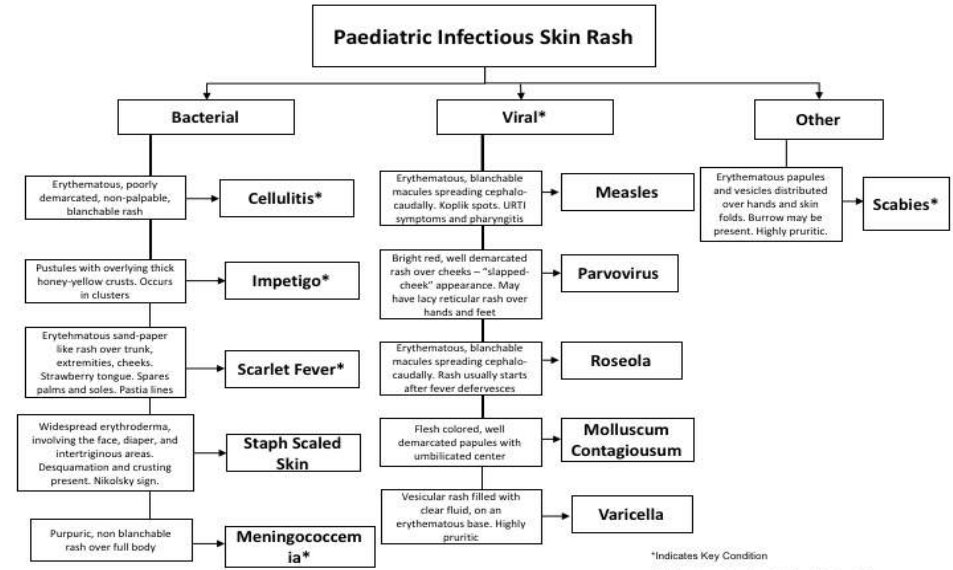
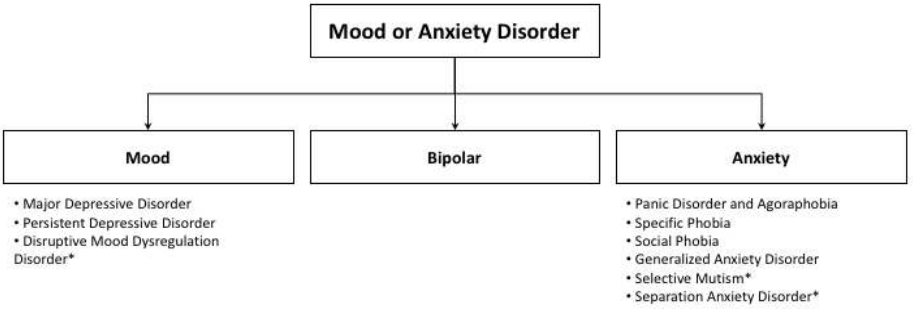
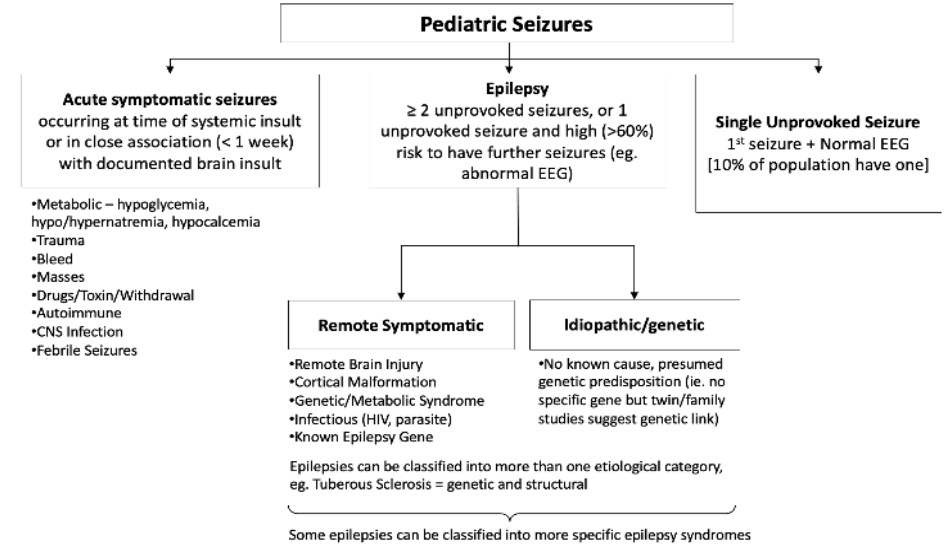


Pediatric Mood And Anxiety Disorders



*More commonly or exclusively found in pediatric populations

Pediatric Seizures



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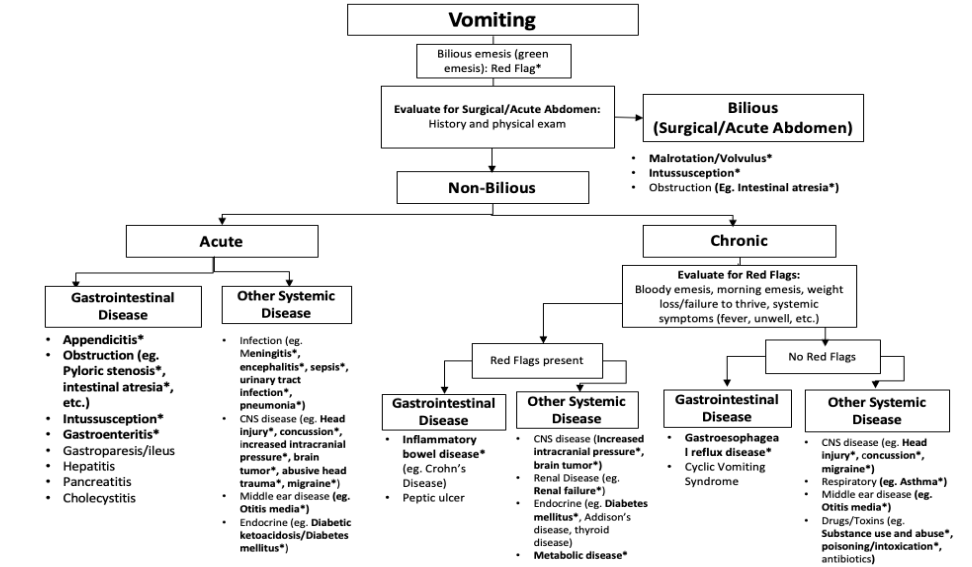
Pediatric Vomiting



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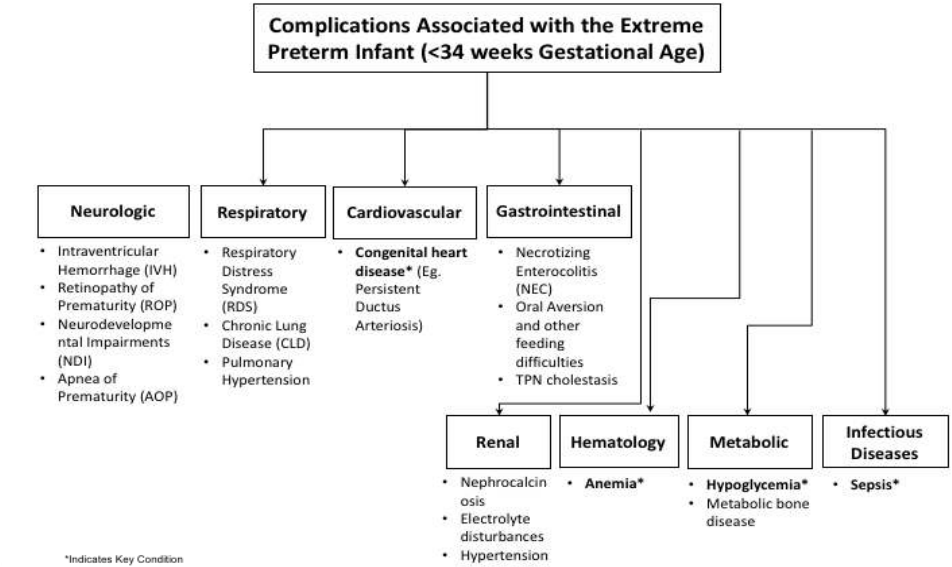

Preterm Infant Complications
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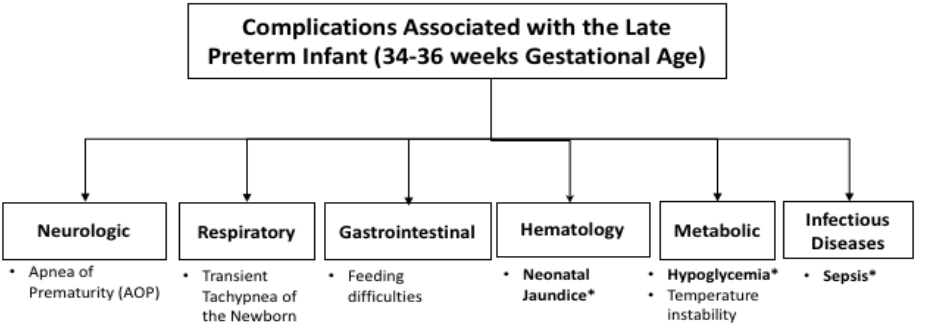

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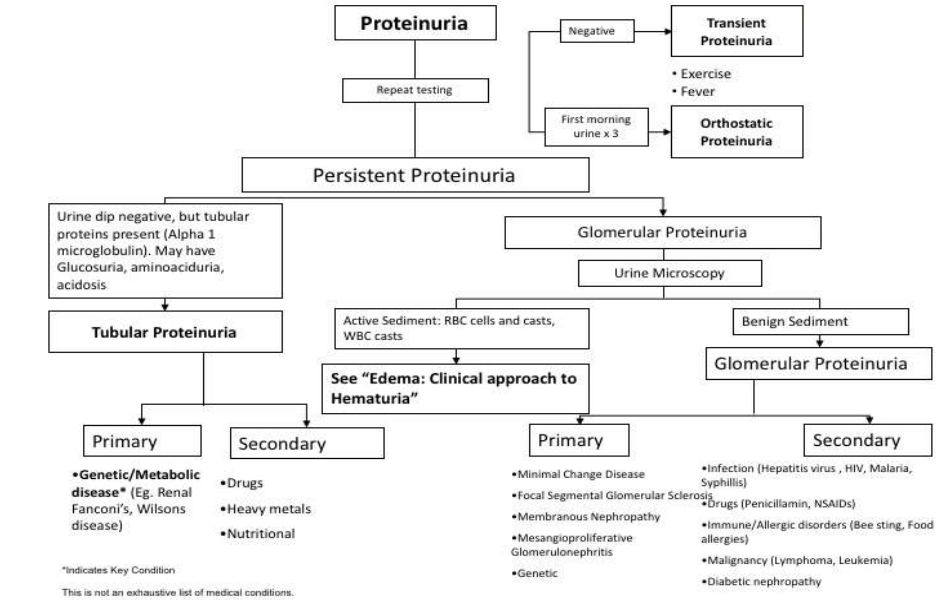

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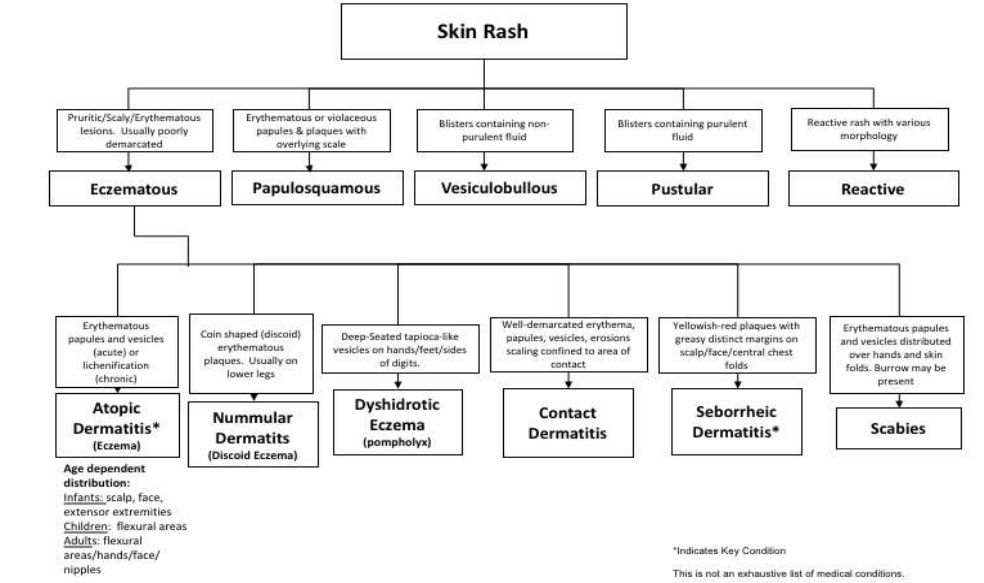
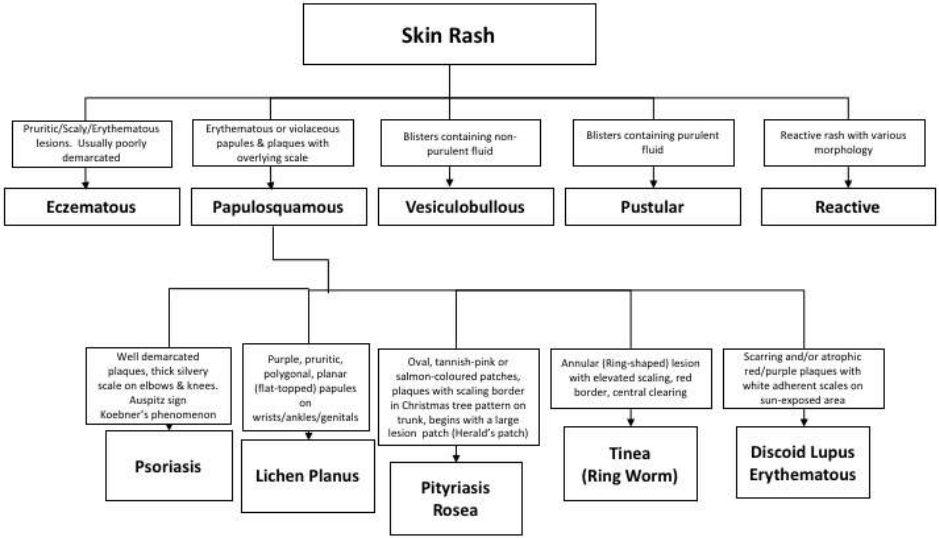


Rash (Papulosquamous)



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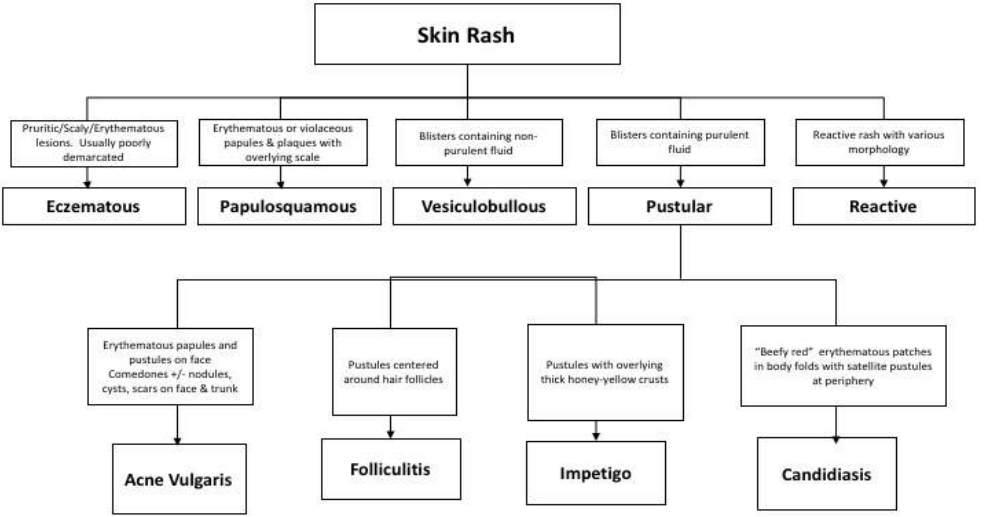

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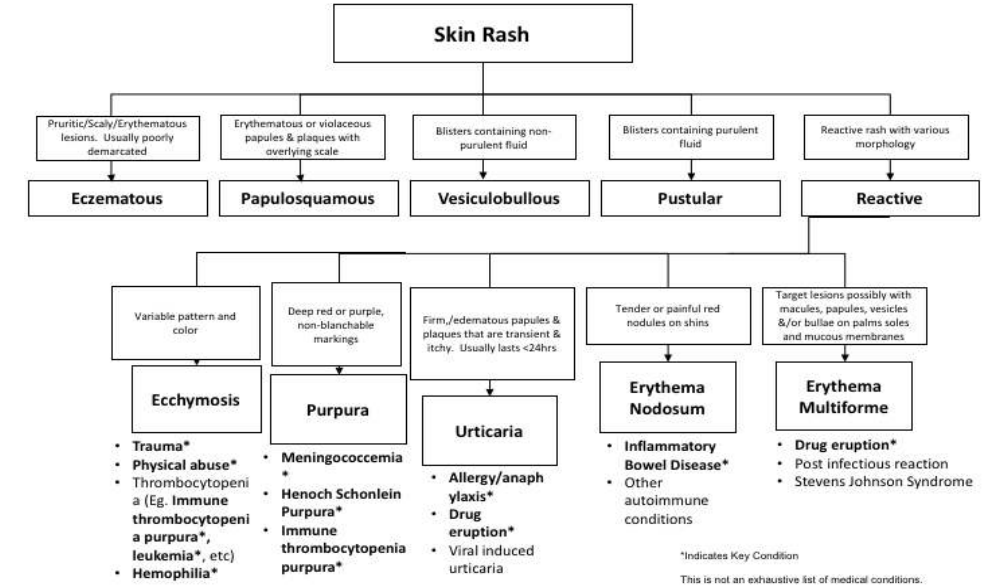

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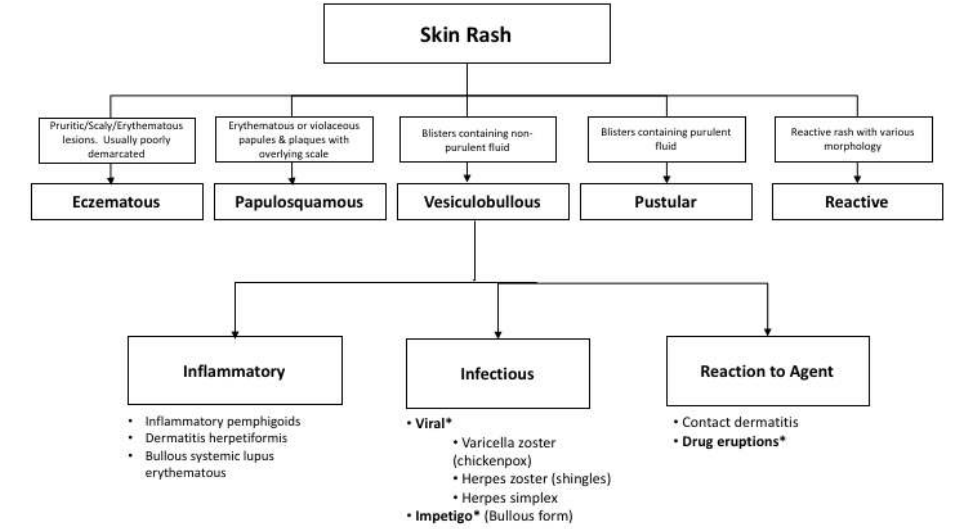
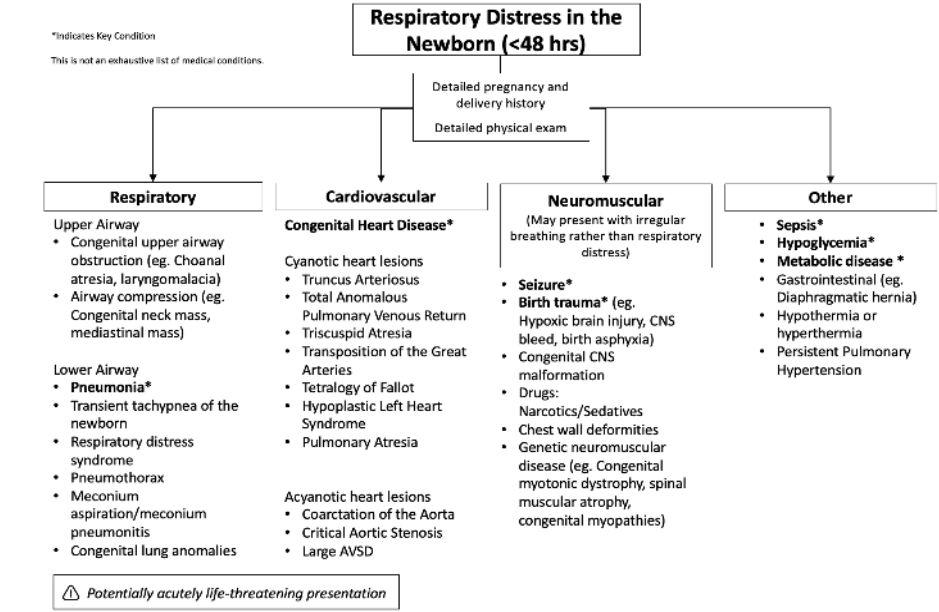


Respiratory Distress In The Newborn



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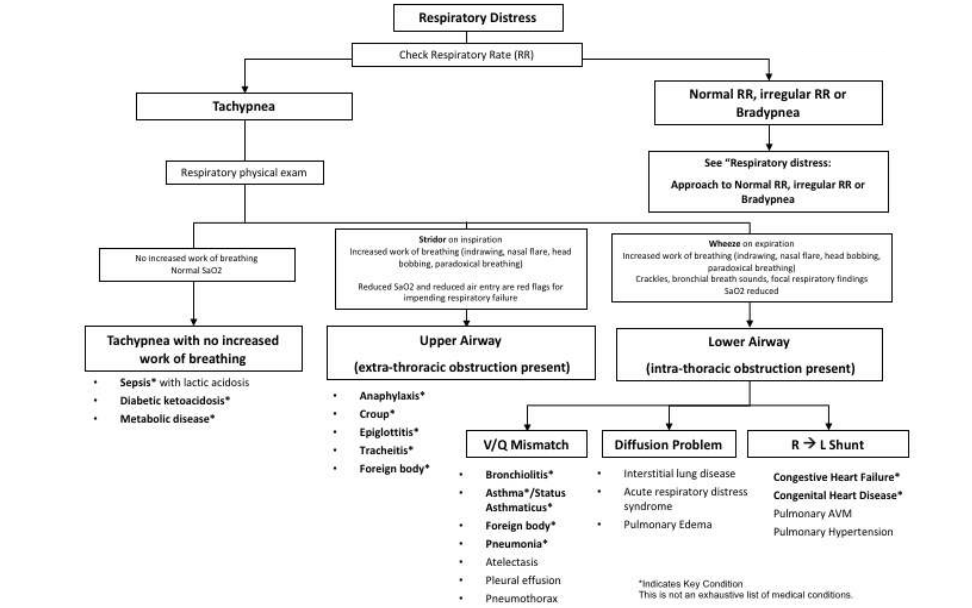
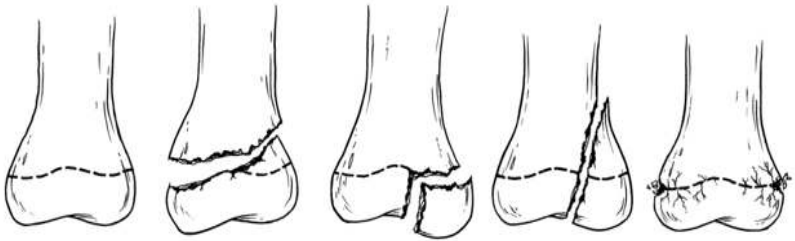
Tachypnea



Salter Harris Physeal Injury Classification



Type	Population	Features
I	Younger Children	Separation through the physis
II	Older Children (75%)	Fracture through a portion of the physis that extends through the metaphyses
III	Older Children (75%)	Fracture line goes below the physis through the epiphysis, and into the joint
IV		Fracture Line through the metaphysis, physis and epiphysis
V		Compression fracture of the growth plate

S	Straight through
A	Above
L	Lower
T	Through
R	Crush

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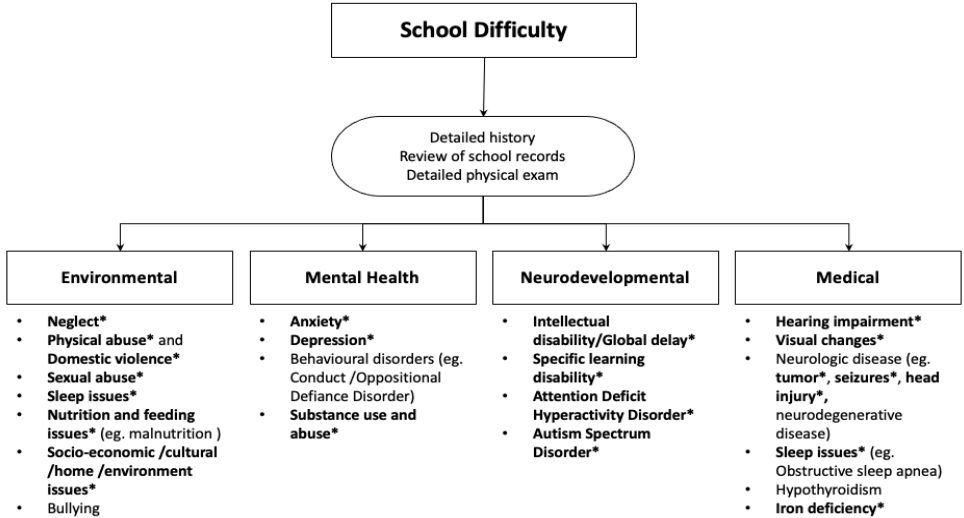
School Difficulties



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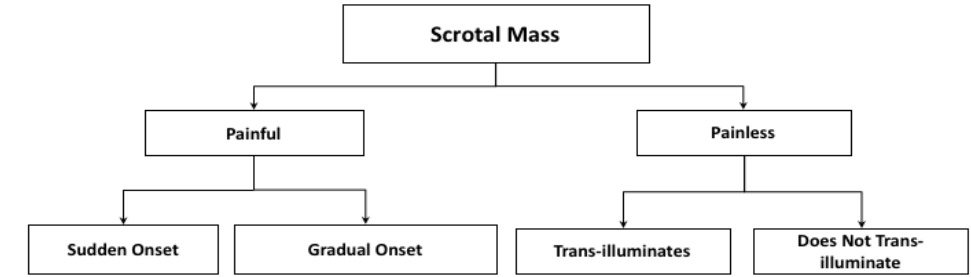
Scrotal Mass



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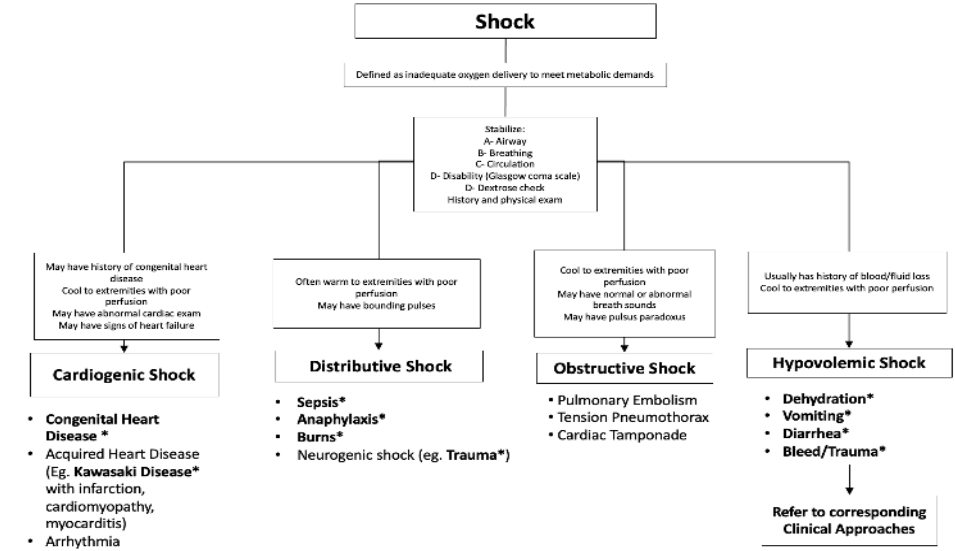
Shock


Shock
Defined as inadequate oxygen delivery to meet metabolic demands
Stabilize:
A- Airway
B- Breathing
C- Circulation
D- Disability (Glasgow coma scale)
D- Dextrose check
History and physical exam
May have history of congenital heart disease
Cool to extremities with poor perfusion
May have abnormal cardiac exam
May have signs of heart failure
Cardiogenic Shock
• Congenital Heart Disease *
• Acquired Heart Disease (Eg. Kawasaki Disease* with infarction, cardiomyopathy, myocarditis)
• Arrhythmia
Often warm to extremities with poor perfusion
May have bounding pulses
Distributive Shock
• Sepsis*
• Anaphylaxis*
• Burns*
• Neurogenic shock (eg. Trauma*)
Cool to extremities with poor perfusion
May have normal or abnormal breath sounds
May have pulsus paradoxus
Obstructive Shock
• Pulmonary Embolism
• Tension Pneumothorax
• Cardiac Tamponade
Usually has history of blood/fluid loss
Cool to extremities with poor perfusion
Hypovolemic Shock
• Dehydration*
• Vomiting*
• Diarrhea*
• Bleed/Trauma*
Refer to corresponding Clinical Approaches
⚠ Potentially acutely life-threatening presentation
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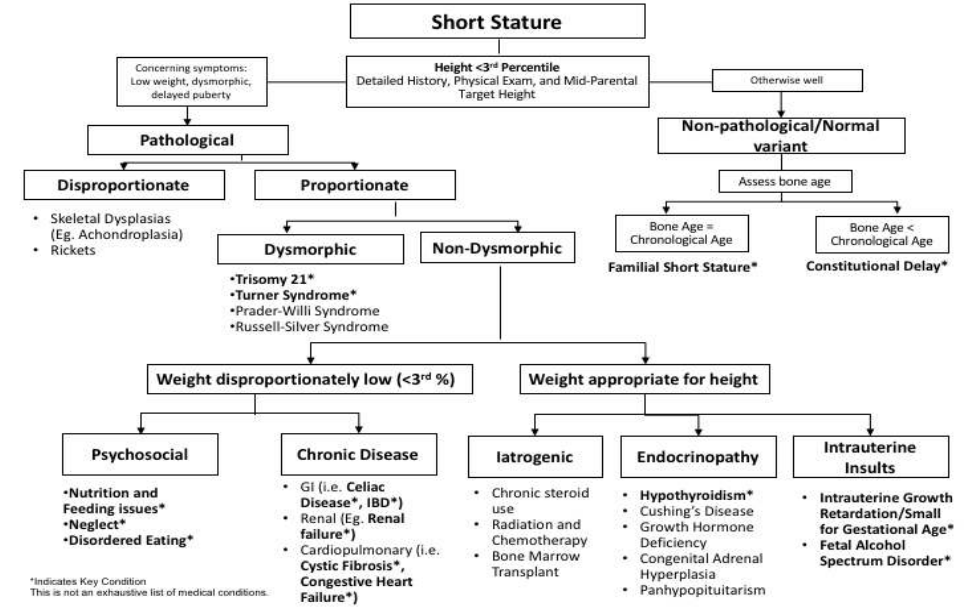
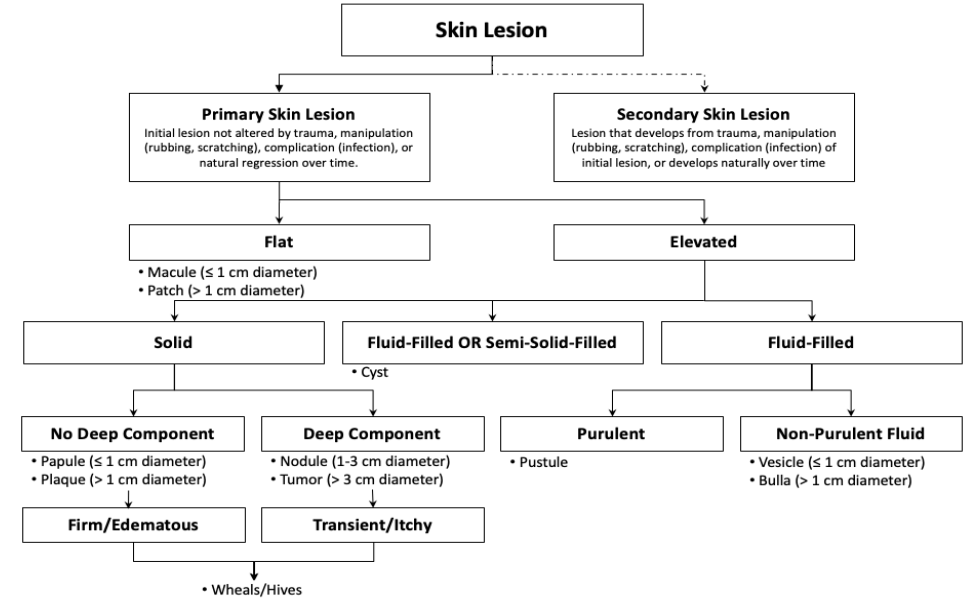
Short Stature



Skin Lesion (Primary Skin)



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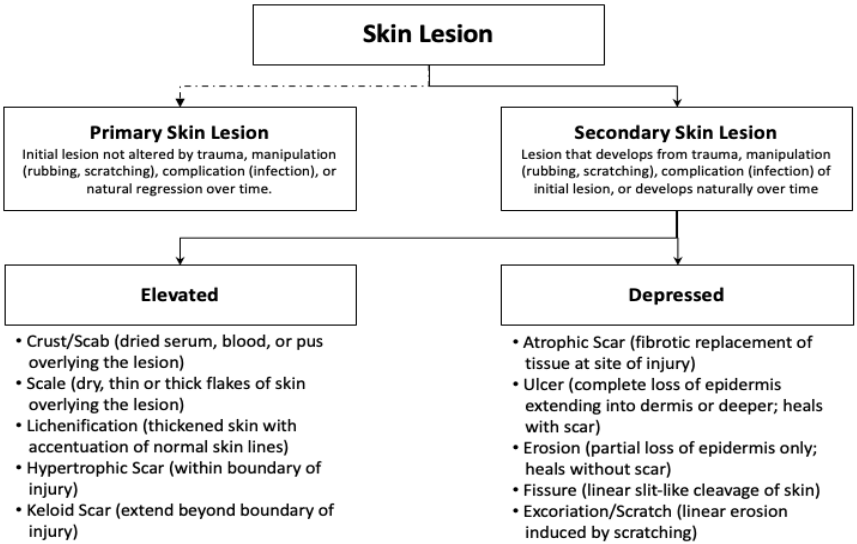

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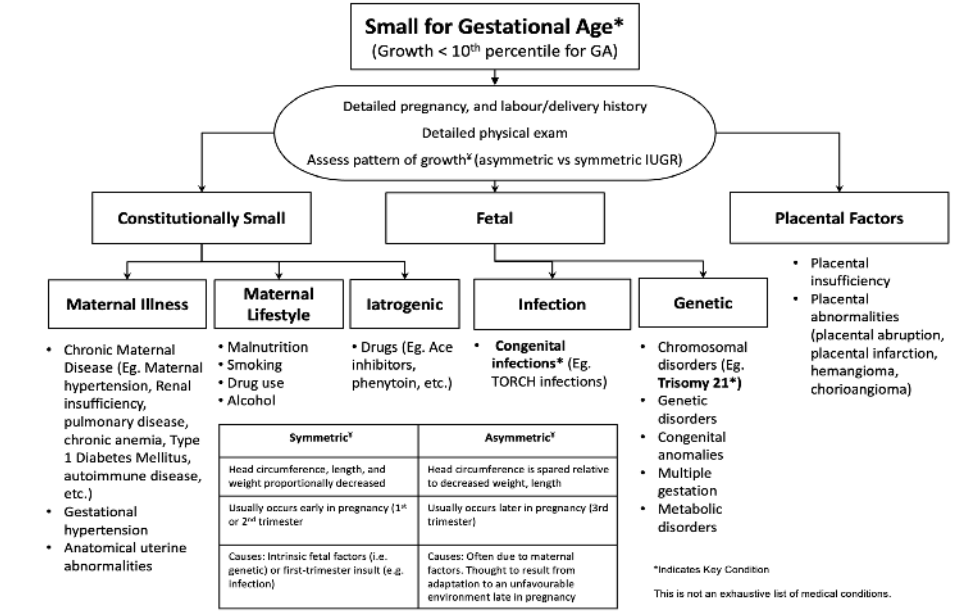
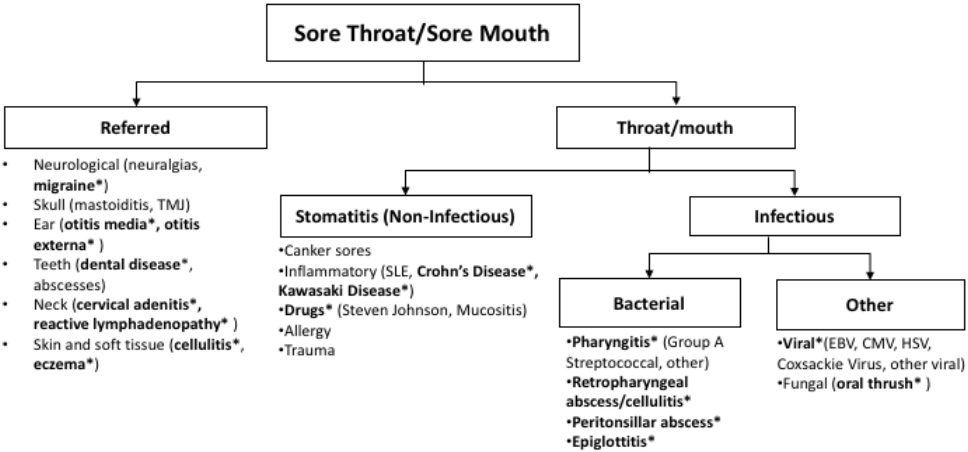


Sore Throat/Sore Mouth



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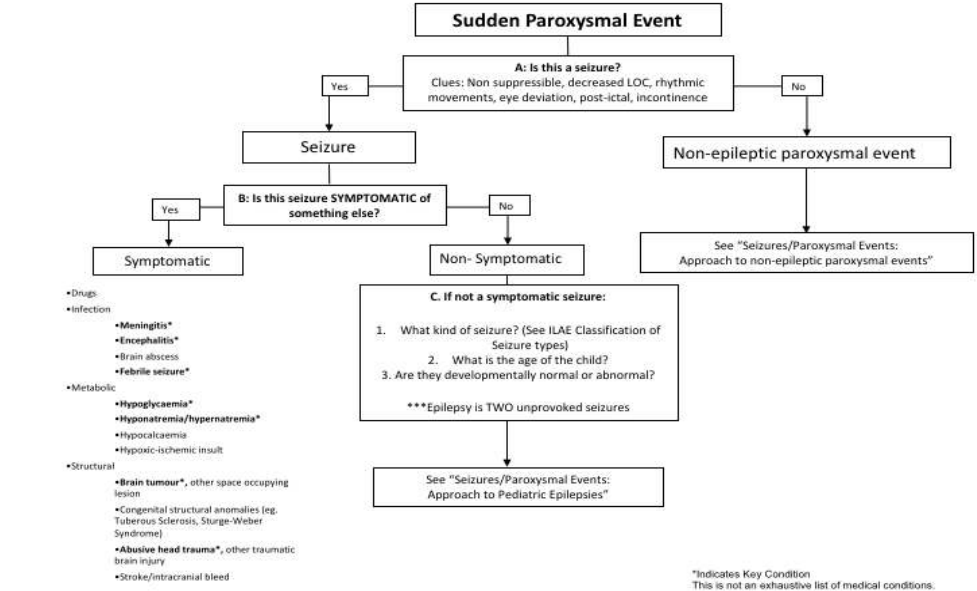
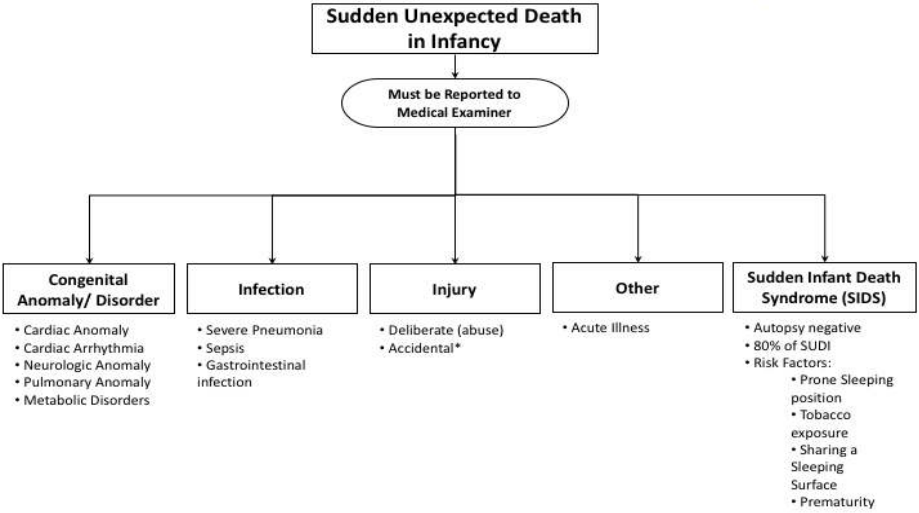
Sudden Paroxysmal Event



Sudden Unexpected Death In Infancy (SUDI)



* SUDI with negative investigations and infant found in prone position or in bed with parent may be called either SIDS or injury (new ideas evolving)

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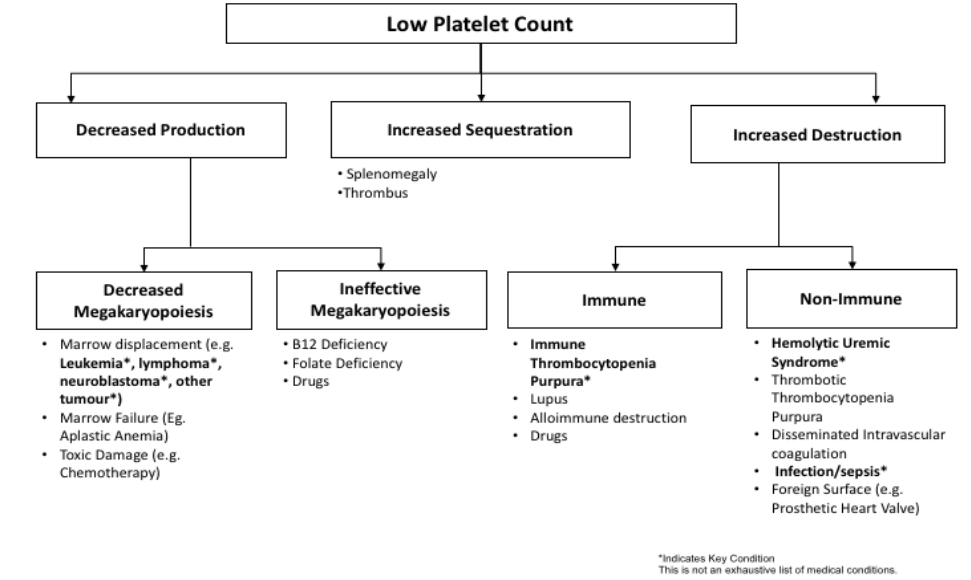
Thrombocytopenia



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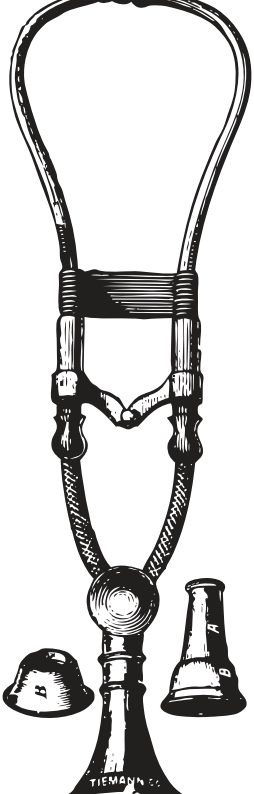

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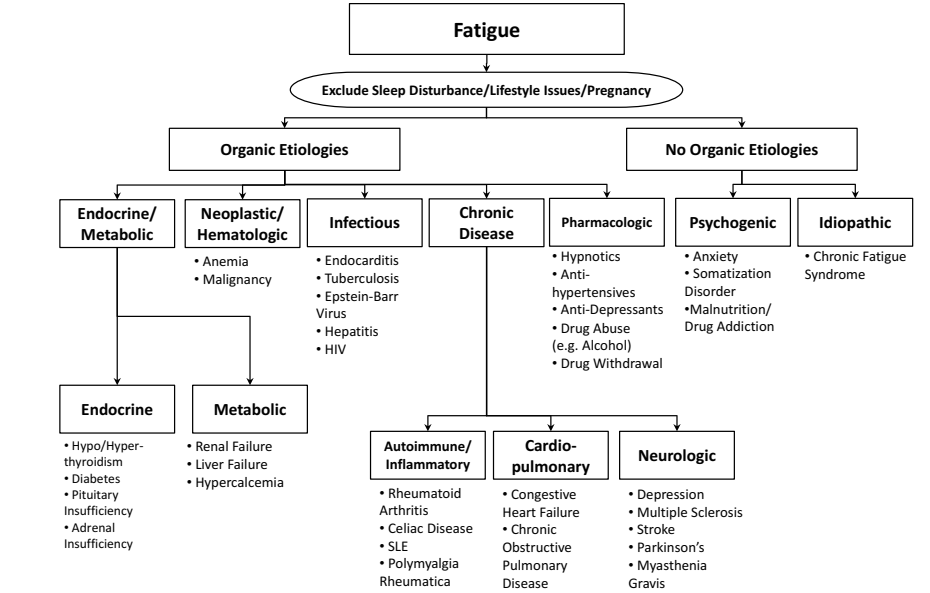
Fatigue


Fatigue
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Organic Etiologies
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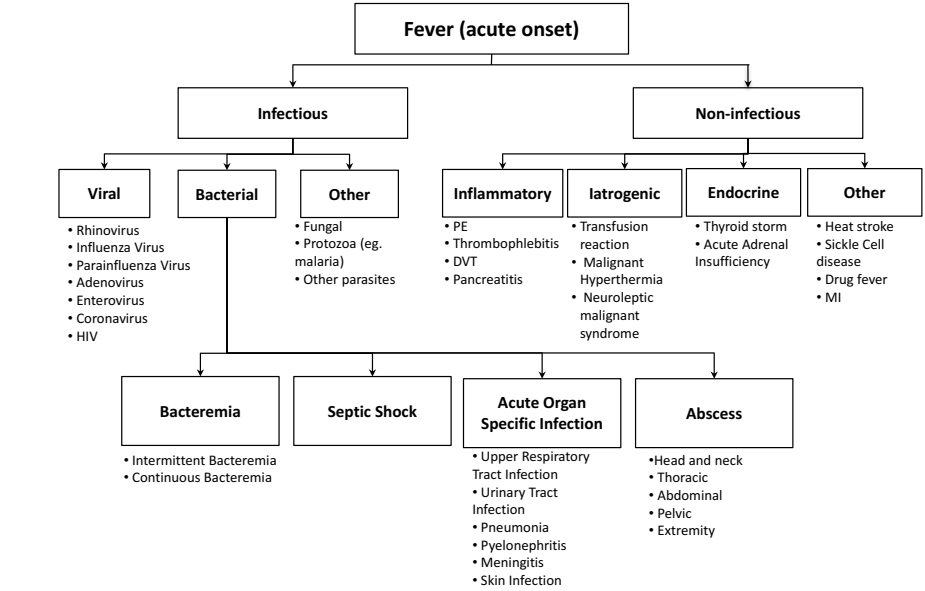
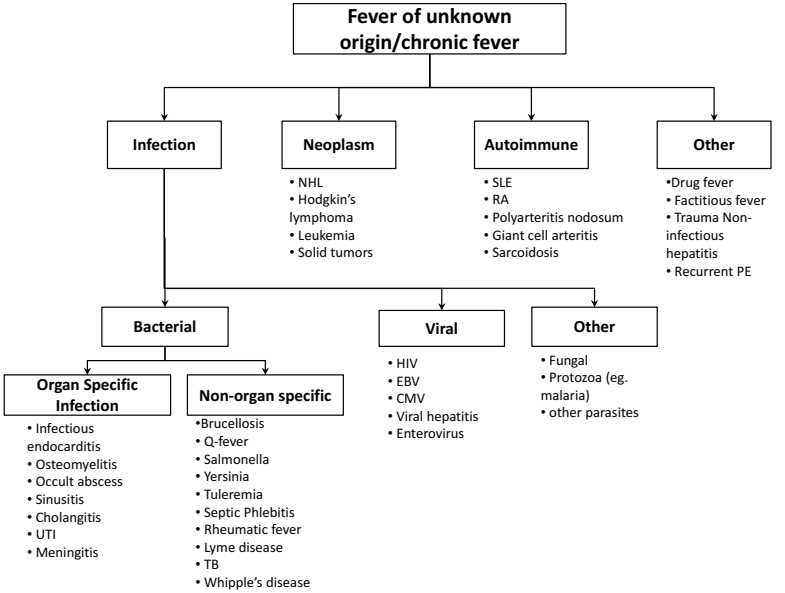
• Myasthenia Gravis

Acute Fever



Fever of Unknown Origin / Chronic Fever



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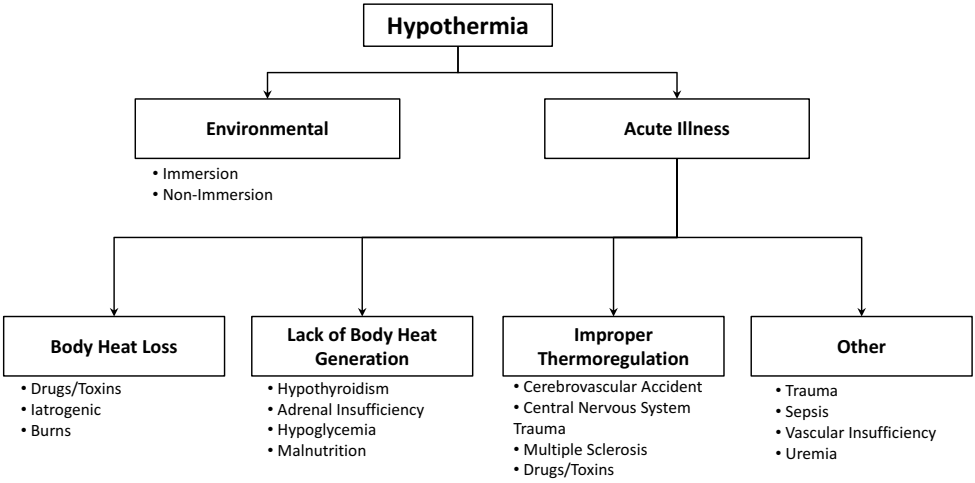

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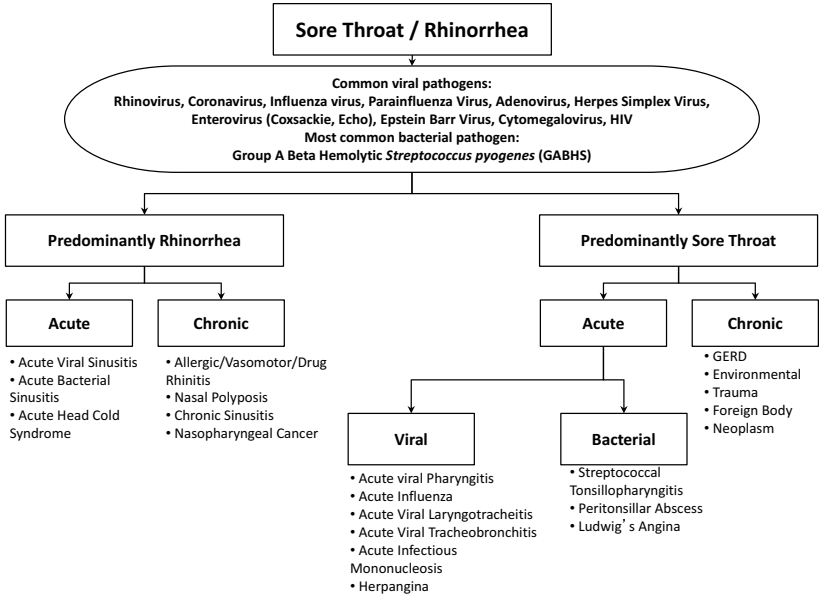

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Abbreviations

AAA	Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm
ACE	Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme
ACTH	Adrenocorticotropic Hormone
ADPKD	Autosomal Dominant Polycystic Kidney Disease
ADH	Antidiuretic Hormone
AIN	Acute Interstitial Nephritis
ALS	Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis
ARB	Angiotensin Receptor Blocker
ARF	Acute Renal Faliure
ARPKD	Autosomal Recessive Polycystic Kidney Disease
BPH	Benign Prostatic Hypertrophy
CCD	Cortical Collecting Duct
CHF	Congestive Heart Failure
CIN	Chronic Interstitial Nephritis
CLL	Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia
CNS	Central Nervous System
COPD	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease
CRF	Chronic Renal Failure
CRH	Corticotrophic Releasing Hormone
CT	Computed Tomography
DCIS	Ductal Carcinoma In Situ
DHEA	Dehydroepiandrosterone
DHEA-S	Dehydroepiandrosterone Sulfate
DIC	Disseminated Intravascular Coagulation
DKA	Diabetic Ketoacidosis
DRE	Digital Rectal Exam
DVT	Deep Vein Thrombosis
EABV	Effective Arterial Blood Volume
ECF	Extracellular Fluid
ENaC	Epithelial Sodium Channel
FEV1	Forced Expiratory Volume in One Second
FJN	Familial Juvenile Nephronophthisis
FSGS	Focal Segmental Glomerulosclerosis
FSH	Follicle Stimulating Hormone
FVC	Forced Vital Capacity
GBM	Glomerular Basement Membrane
GERD	Gastrointestinal Esophageal Reflux Disease
GFR	Glomerular Filtration Rate
GHRH	Growth Hormone Releasing Hormone
GH	Growth Hormone
GI	Gastrointestinal
GN	Glomerulonephritis
GnRH	Gonadotropin Releasing Hormone
GPA	Granulomatosis with Polyangiitis
GRA	Glucocorticoid
GTN	Gestational Trophoblastic Neoplasm
H+	Hydrogen
HCG	Human Chorionic Gonadatropin

HDL	High Density Lipoprotein
HELLP	Hemolysis, Elevated Liver Enzymes, Low Platelets
HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus
HPL-1a	Human Peripheral Lung Epithelial Cell Line 1a
HRT	Hormone Replacement Therapy
HSP	Henoch-Schönlein Purpura
HSV	Herpes Simplex Virus
HUS	Hemolytic-Uremic Syndrome
IBD	Irritable Bowel Disease
IBS	Irritable Bowel Syndrome
ICP	Increased Intracranial Pressure
ICU	Intensive Care Unit
IGF	Insulin-like Growth Factor
INR	International Normalized Ratio
ITP	Idiopathic Thrombocytopenic Purpura
IUGR	Intrauterine Growth Restriction
IV	Intravenous
IVP	Intravenous Pyelogram
JVP	Jugular Venous Pyelogram
K+	Potassium
KUB	Kidney, Ureter, Bladder
LCIS	Lobular Carcinoma In Situ
LDL	Low Density Lipoprotein
LGA	Large for Gestational Age
LH	Luteinizing Hormone
LLN	Lower Limit of Normal
LOC	Level of Consciousness
LPL	Lipoprotein Lipase
MCD	Minimal Change Disease
MCH	Mean Corpuscular Hemoglobin
MCHC	Mean Corpuscular Hemoglobin Concentration
MCV	Mean Corpuscular Volume
MEN	Multiple Endocrine Neoplasma
MI	Myocardian Infarction
MPA	Microscopic Polyangiitis
MPGN	Membranoproliferative Glomerulonephritis
MS	Multiple Sclerosis
MSK	Musculoskeletal
Na+	Sodium
NSAIDs	Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatories
OCP	Oral Contraceptive Pill
OSM	Osmolality
PE	Pulmonary Embolism
PID	Pelvic Inflamatory Disease
PMN	Polymorphic Neutrophils
POSM	Plasma Osmolality
PPROM	Preterm Premature Rupture of Membranes
PROM	Premature Rupture of Membranes
PT	Prothrombin Time
PTH	Parathyroid Hormone
PTT	Partial Thromboplastin Time
PUD	Peptic Ulcer Disease
PUJ	Pelviureteric Junction
RAPD	Right Afferent Pupillary Defect

RAS	Renal Artery Stenosis
RBC	Red Blood Cell
RTA	Renal Tubular Acidosis
SGA	Small for Gestational Age
SLE	Systemic Lupus Erythematosus
TORCH	Toxoplasmosis, Other (Hepatitis B, Syphilis, Varicella-Zoster virus, HIV, Parvovirus B19), Rubella, Cytomegalovirus, Herpes Simplex Virus
TSH	Thyroid Stimulating Hormone
TSHR	Thyroid Stimulating Hormone Receptor
TTKG	Transtubular Potassium Gradient
TTP	Thrombotic Thrombocytopenic Purpura
UTI	Urinary Tract Infection
US	Ultrasound
VACTERL	Vertebral Anomalies, Anal Atresia, Cardiovascular Anomalies, Tracheoesophageal Fistula, Esphageal Atresia, Renal Anomalies, Limb Anomalies
VSD	Ventricular Septal Defect
VUJ	Vesicoureteral Junction

Notes

Superficially resembling flowcharts, schemes are a way to ease the memorization of differential diagnoses by breaking large lists into sets of smaller, conceptually-intuituve information packets. using the Medical Council of Canada's Clinical Presentation List,

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