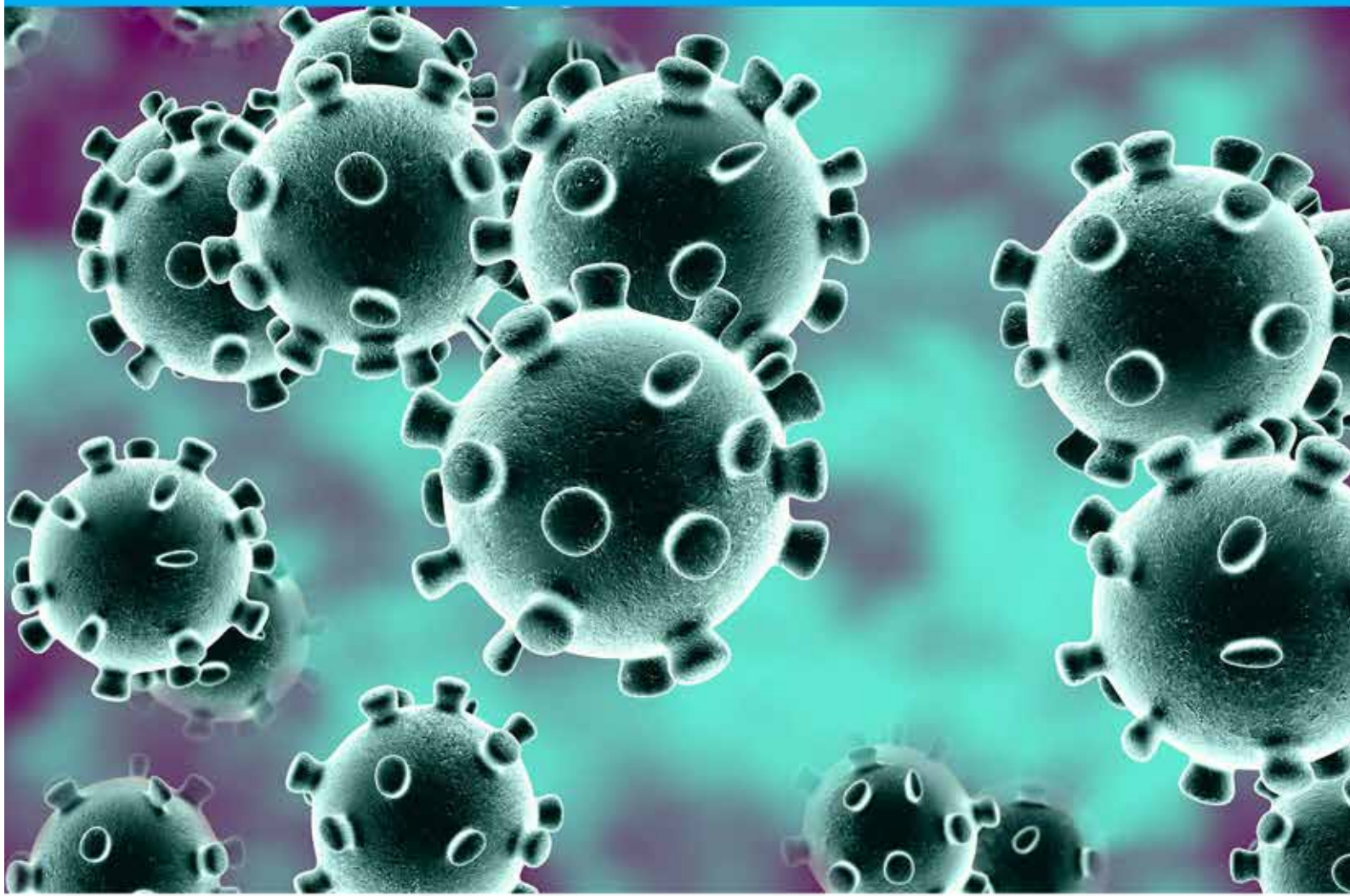


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Suspected COVID-19 Cases Management in Triage Hospitals

COVID-19



Patient enters chest and fever Hospital
(referred from another hospital, referred by 105, walkin)

Assess to Identify Suspected Cases

A

Any one of the epidemiological history with any of the clinical features.

Epidemiological History:

- History of travel to or residence in communities where cases reported within the last 14 days.
- In contact with viral RNA positive people within the last 14 days.
- In contact with a patient who has fever or respiratory symptoms or from a community with confirmed cases reported within the last 14 days.

B

Assessing the presence of at least two of the following clinical features:

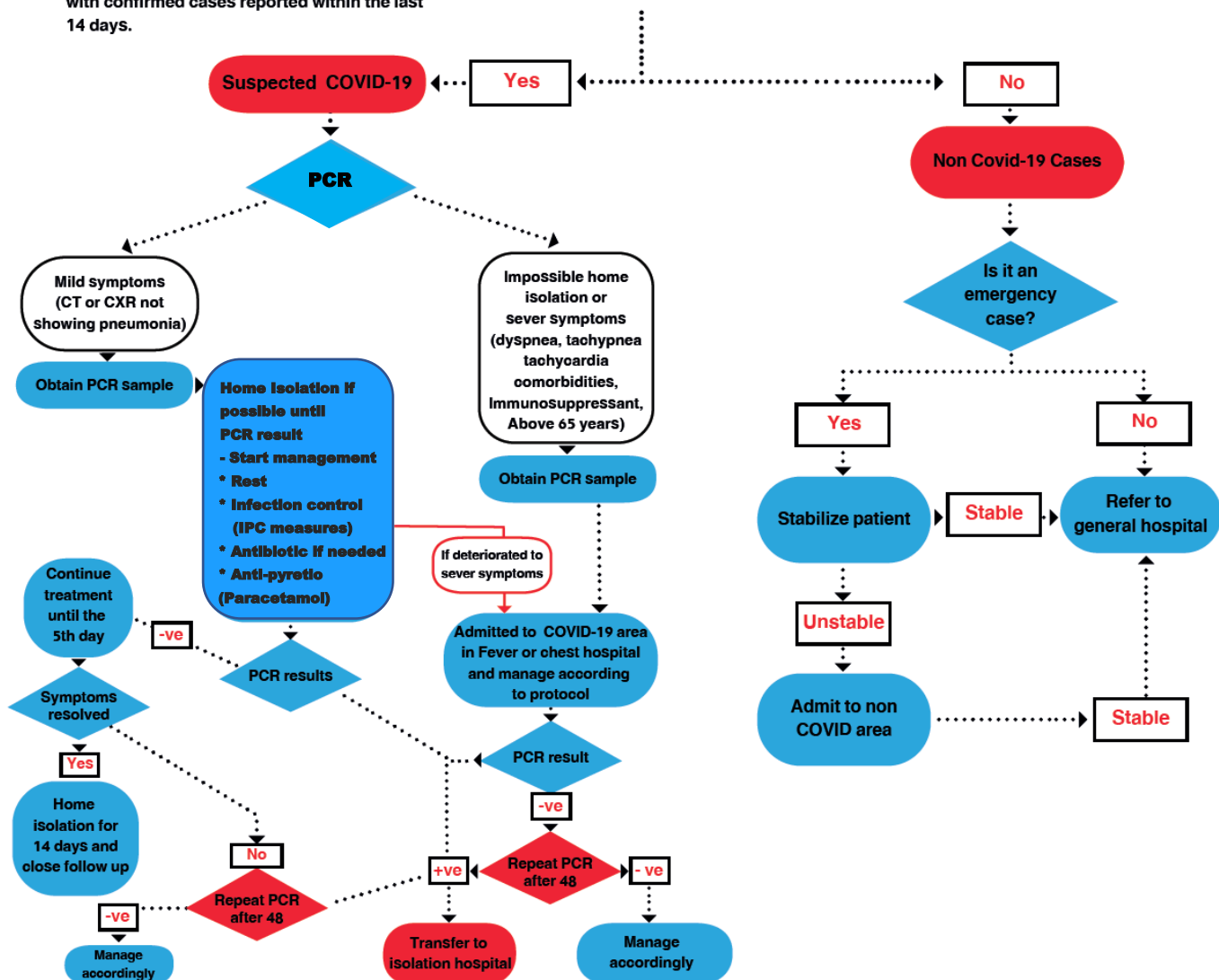
1. Fever and/or respiratory symptoms.
2. Imaging characteristics. CT scan is preferred, if not applicable do CXR
3. Differential CBC findings: white blood cells is normal or decreased, with lymphocyte decreased.

C

Severe Acute Respiratory Infection (SARI) with no other obvious cause.

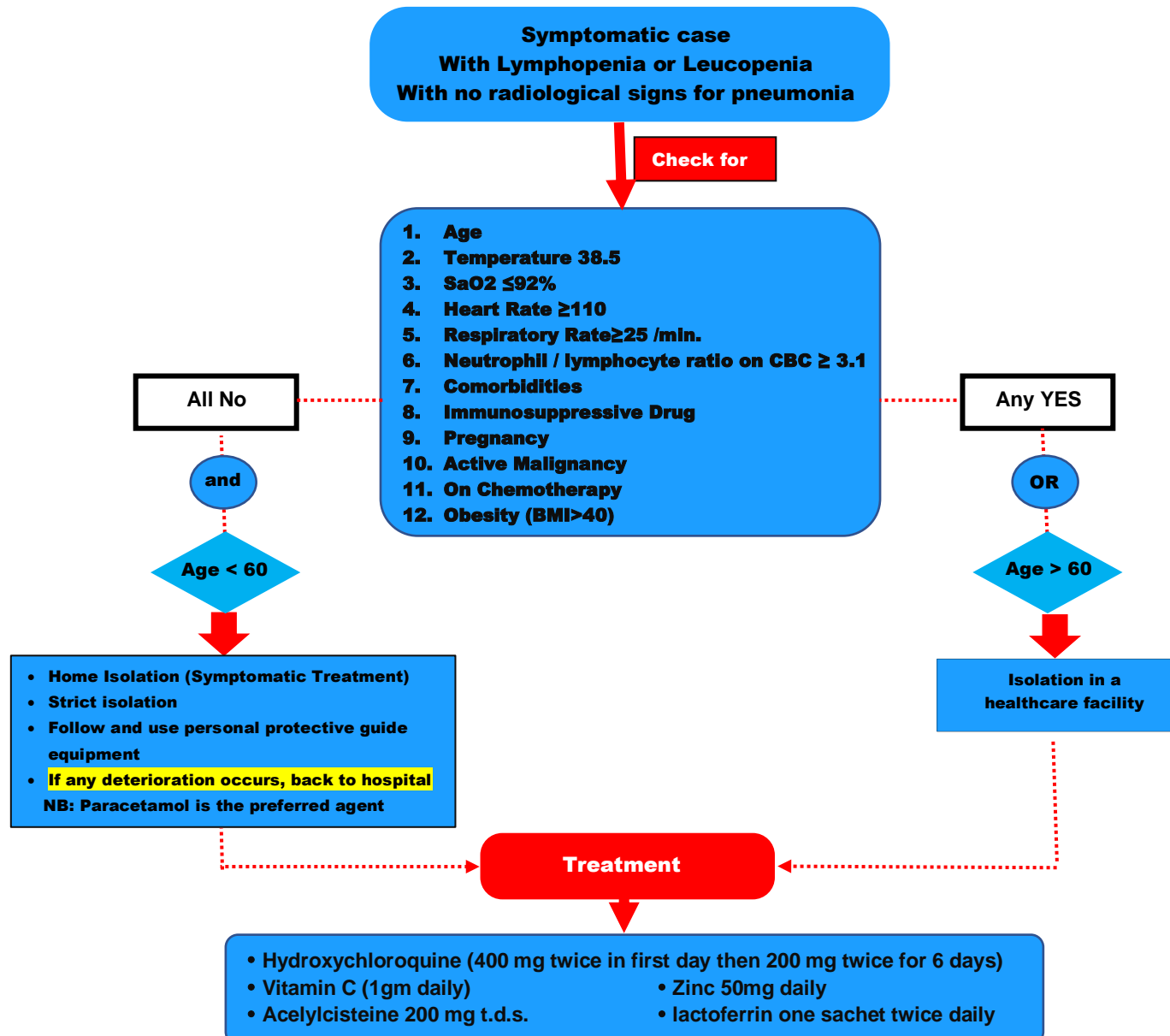
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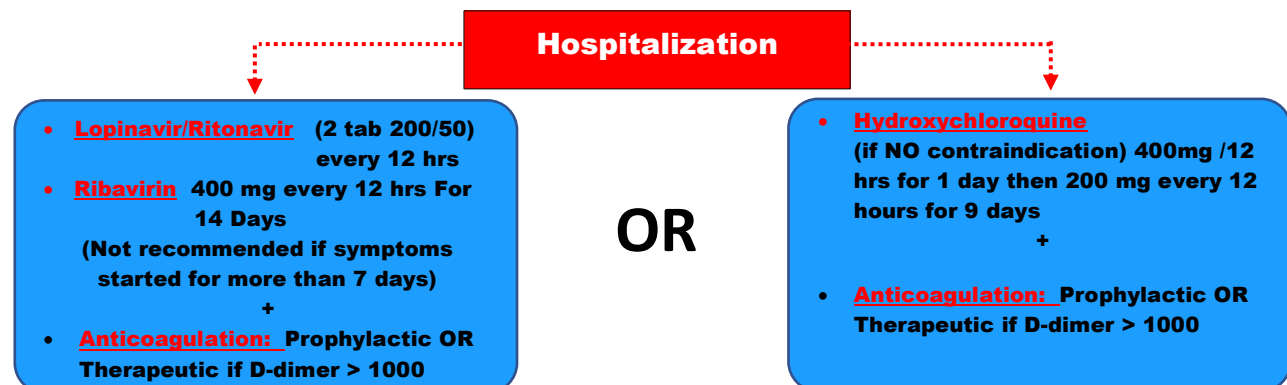
N.B.
- Asymptomatic contact to +ve case should undergo home isolation and should seek medical advice whenever symptoms develop.
- Healthcare providers exposed to suspected or confirmed COVID-19 cases should follow the algorithm shown in MOHP guide booklet.

Mild Case



Moderate Case

Patient has pneumonia manifestations on radiology associated with symptoms &/Or leucopenia or lymphopenia



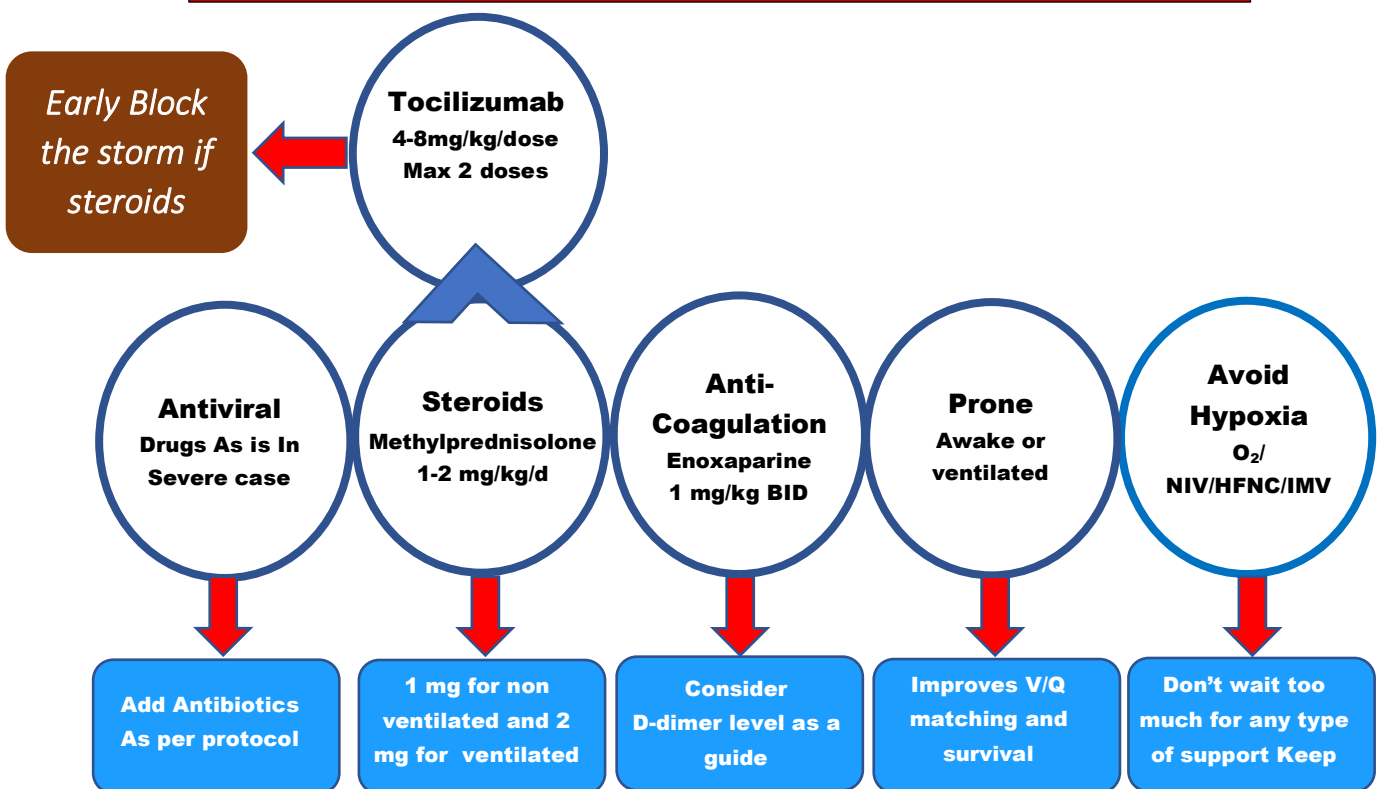
Steroids if patients is dyspneic or CT SCAN showed significant deterioration

Severe and Critically Ill Case

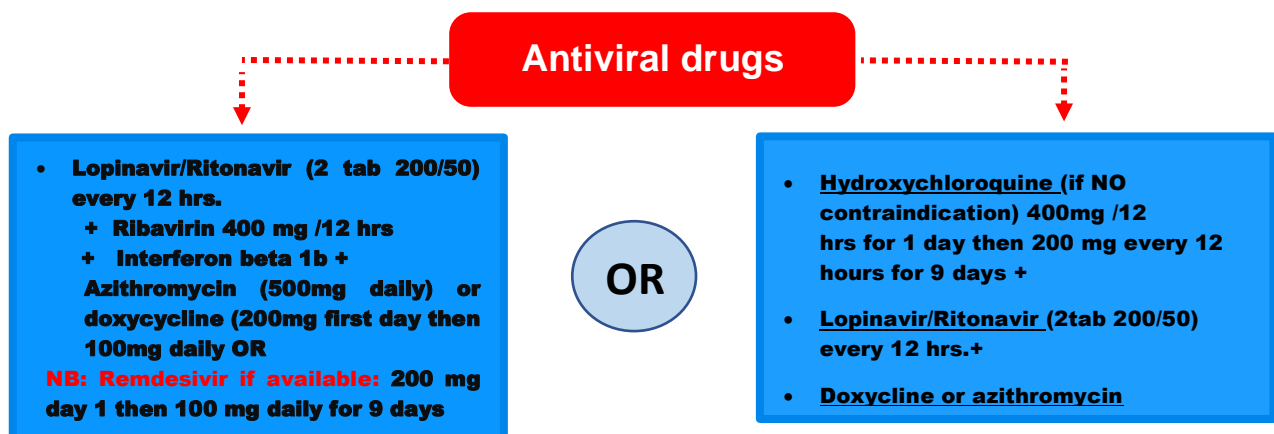
If any of the following criteria is present

1. RR > 30
2. SaO₂ < 92 at room air
3. PaO₂/FiO₂ ratio < 300
4. Chest radiology showing more than 50% lesion or progressive lesion within 24 to 48 hrs
5. Critically ill if SaO₂ < 92, or RR > 30, or PaO₂/FiO₂ ratio < 200 despite Oxygen Therapy.

Admit to Intermediate Care Or Intensive care



COVID 19 Critical Care Chain of Survival



Non Invasive Ventilation or High flow nasal cannula (HFNC):

- Conscious patients with minimal secretions.
- Hypoxia $SpO_2 < 90\%$ on oxygen. Or hypercapnia >40 cmH₂O provided pH 7.3 and above.
- NIV trial shall be short with ABG 30 minutes apart.
- Any deterioration in blood gases from baseline or oxygen saturation or consciousness level shift to IMV.
- CPAP gradually increased from 5-10 cmH₂O.
- Pressure support from 10-15 cm H₂O.
- HFNC can be alternative to NIV.

Invasive Mechanical ventilation:

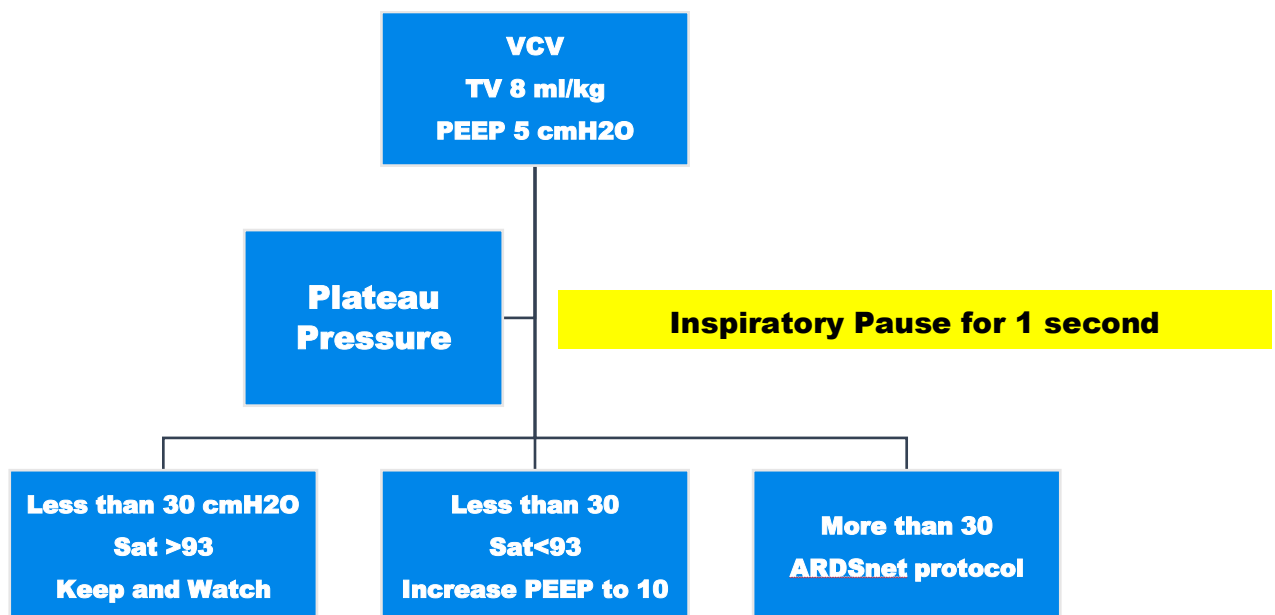
- Use PPE specially goggles during intubation and avoid bagging.

• Indications:

- Failed NIV or not available or not practical.
- $PO_2 < 60$ mmHg despite oxygen supplementation.
- Progressive Hypercapnia.
- Respiratory acidosis (pH < 7.30).
- Progressive or refractory septic shock.
- Disturbed consciousness level (GCS ≤ 8) or deterioration in consciousness level from baseline.

Step 1:

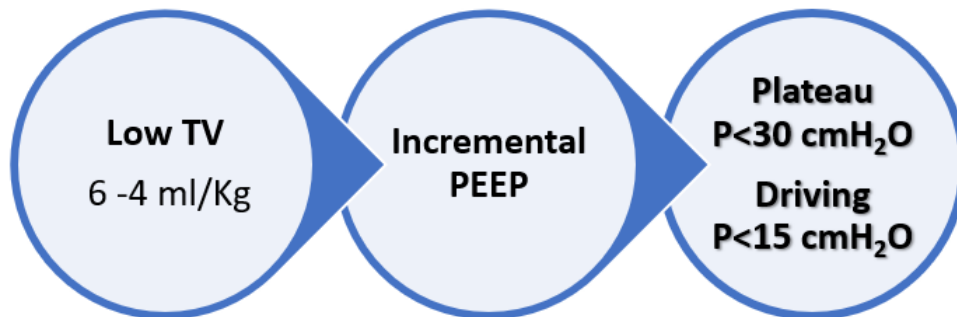
Initiation of Invasive Mechanical ventilation



IF PLATEAU ABOVE **30** CMH₂O

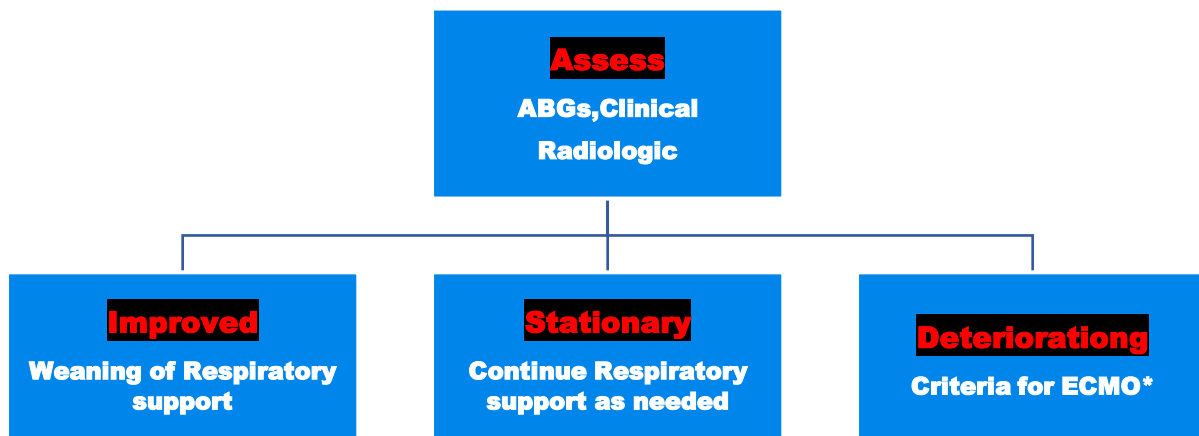
Step 2: Shift to ARDSNet protocol if needed

ARDSNet protocol:



Start with tidal volume of 6 ml/Kg to keep plateau pressure on volume controlled ventilation (VCV) below 30 cmH₂O, decrease to 4 ml/kg if the plateau remain higher than 30 allow permissive hypercapnia so long the pH is above 7.3 compensate by increasing respiratory rate up to 30 breath/minute. Consider heavy sedation and paralysis. If pressures are high or any evidence of barotrauma shift to pressure controlled ventilation and be cautious about low tidal volume alarms for fear of unnoticed endotracheal tube obstruction. Consider ECMO early if eligible. Increase PEEP gradually if the patient remains hypoxic according to FIO₂ level to keep driving pressure < 15cmH₂O. **NEVER FORGET PRONE POSITION.**

Step 3: Assessment of Respiratory support Outcome



*Criteria for VV ECMO: Age below 55, Mechanical ventilation duration less than 7 days, No comorbidities, Preserved consciousness level, PaO₂/FiO₂ <100 despite prone RESPScore >0. Expert opinion is needed and depends on availability.