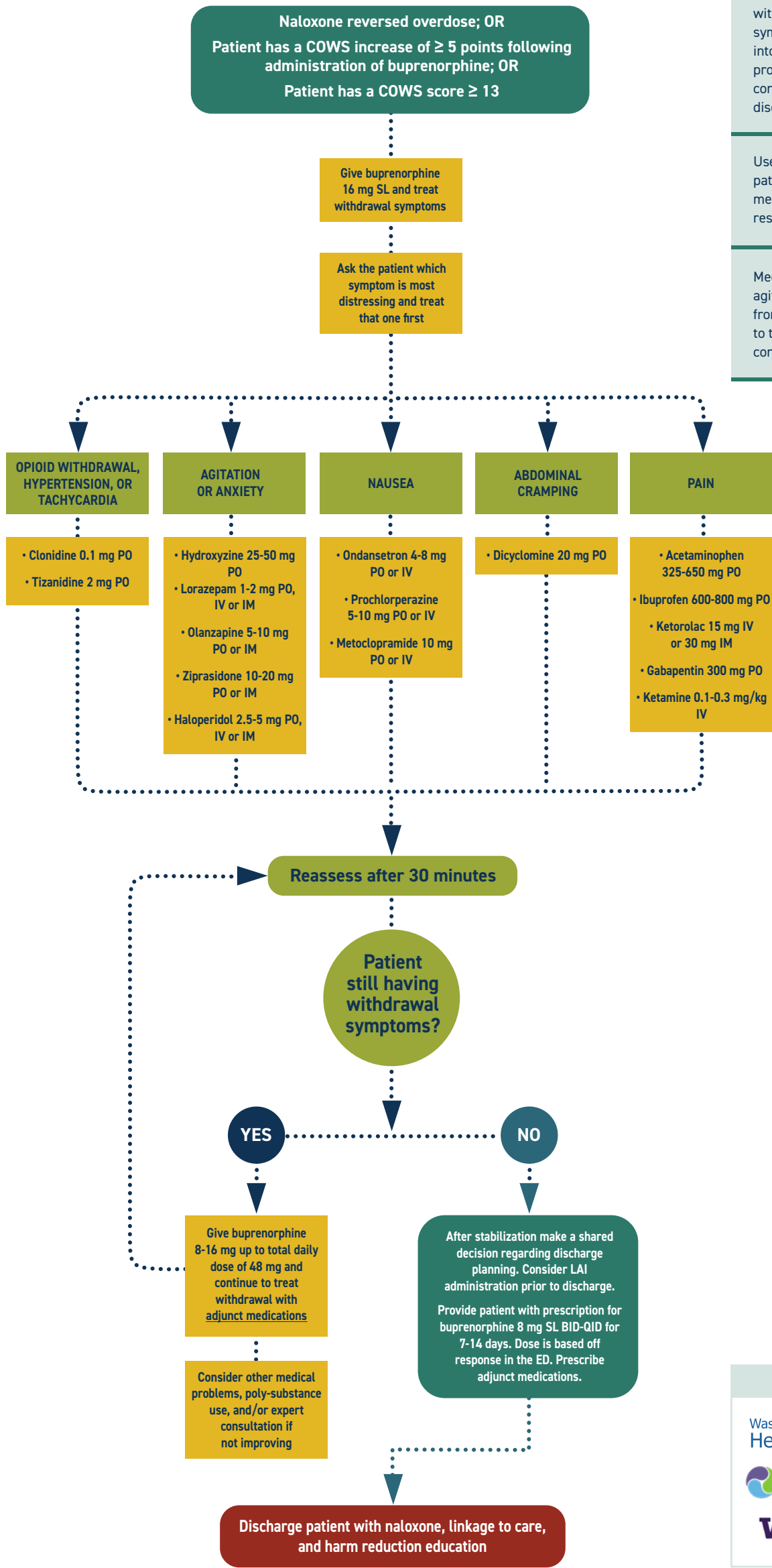


Moderate to Severe Opioid Withdrawal



Considerations

In the setting of precipitated withdrawal, consider unmasked symptoms of stimulant intoxication and/or other medical problems such as sepsis, cardiac conditions, DKA, thyroid disorders, co-ingestions, etc.

Use caution when giving the patient multiple different medications that can suppress respiratory drive.

Medications used to sedate an agitated patient or keep them from behavior that poses harm to themselves, or others, may be considered a chemical restraint.

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