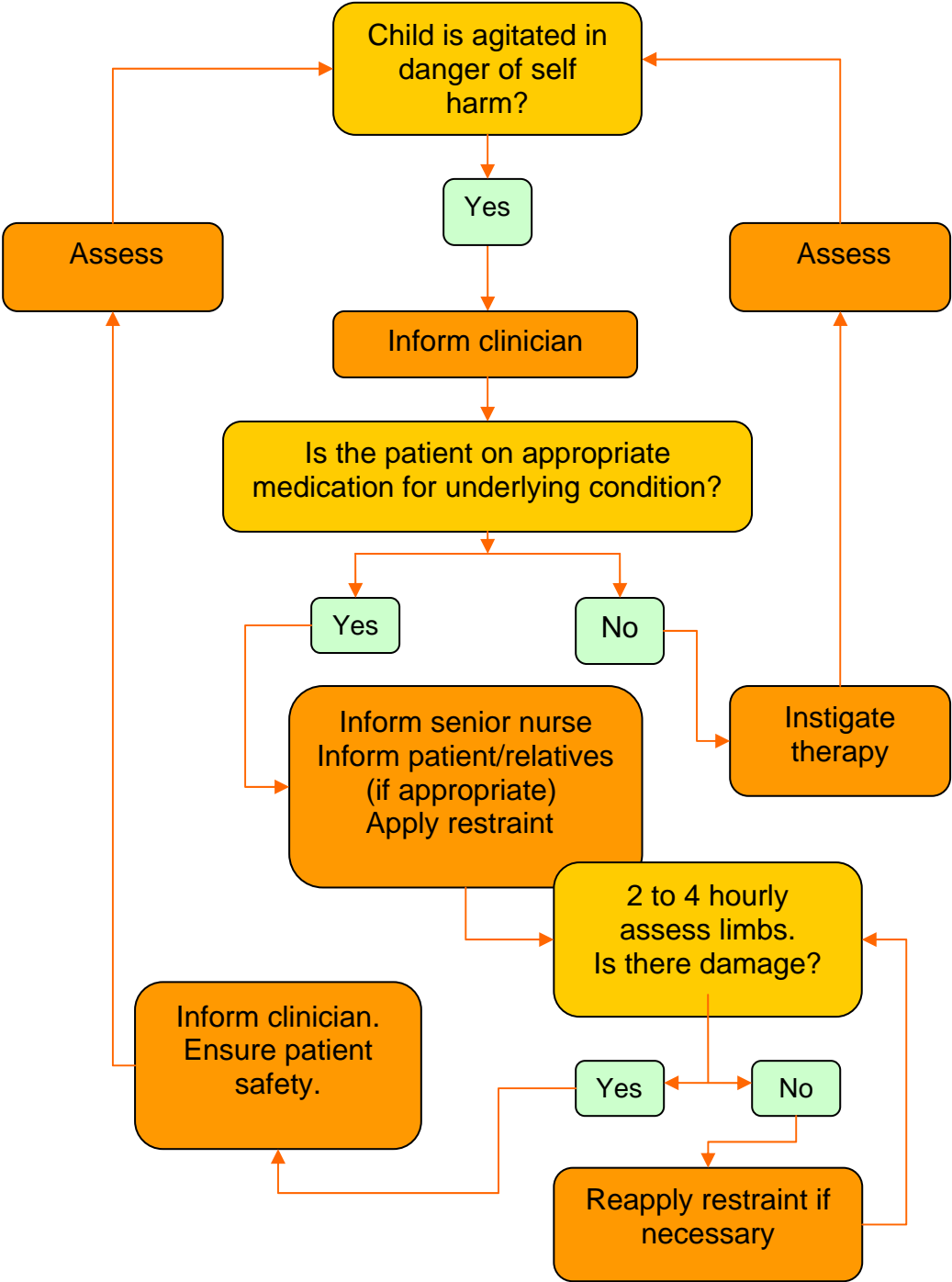


Algorithm for Paediatric Splint application



Key	Action		Yes/No	
	Question		Assess	

Patient at risk assessment form – PICU U.H.W.

Patient Addressograph

Date of initial assessment.....
 Completed – responsible nurse.....

 Doctor
 Level of Risk

Guidance for risk assessment

High Risk

	Date	Date	Date	Date	Date
Risk to airway					
Risk of removal of essential cannulae					
Risk of removal of ng/nj/peg tube and subsequent malnutrition or aspiration					
Risk of removal of essential drains					
Risk of damage/contamination to major wound sites					

Medium Risk

Risk of damage/contamination of minor wound					
Risk of laceration/bruising					

Low Risk

Risk of increased discomfort					
Risk to patient dignity					

Implementation

- Patient at high or medium risk may benefit from physical restraints as part of package of care.
- Patients scoring in the low category may require alternative therapy and management.

Daily re-assessment - restraint remains necessary

Date/time.....	Sign.....	Date/time.....	Sign.....
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Restraint is no longer required/of benefit

Date/time.....

