
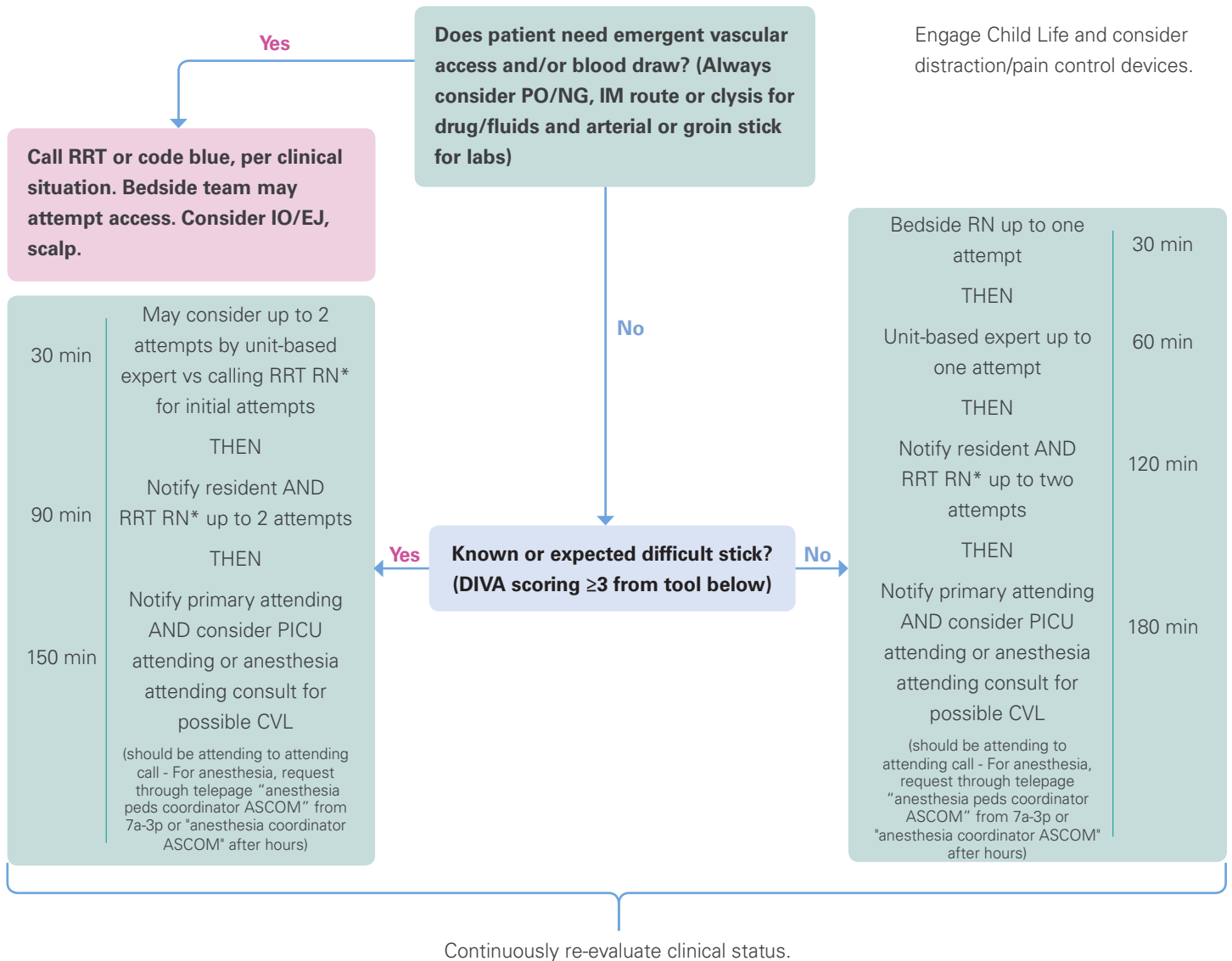


Clinical Guideline

 This guideline should not replace clinical judgement

Difficult Intravenous Access and Blood Draw

Pediatric Inpatient



*To reach RRT RN, page "Peds IV RN."

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If ACP Resource RN unavailable, contact PICU Resource RN.

Click on [CHoR CTA Guideline](#) for IV catheter size requirements for imaging.

Difficult IV Access (DIVA) Scoring Tool

Predictor	0 points	1 point	2 points
Visible vein	Visible	–	Not visible
Palpable vein	Palpable	–	Not palpable
Age	≥ 36 months	12-35 months	< 12 months

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