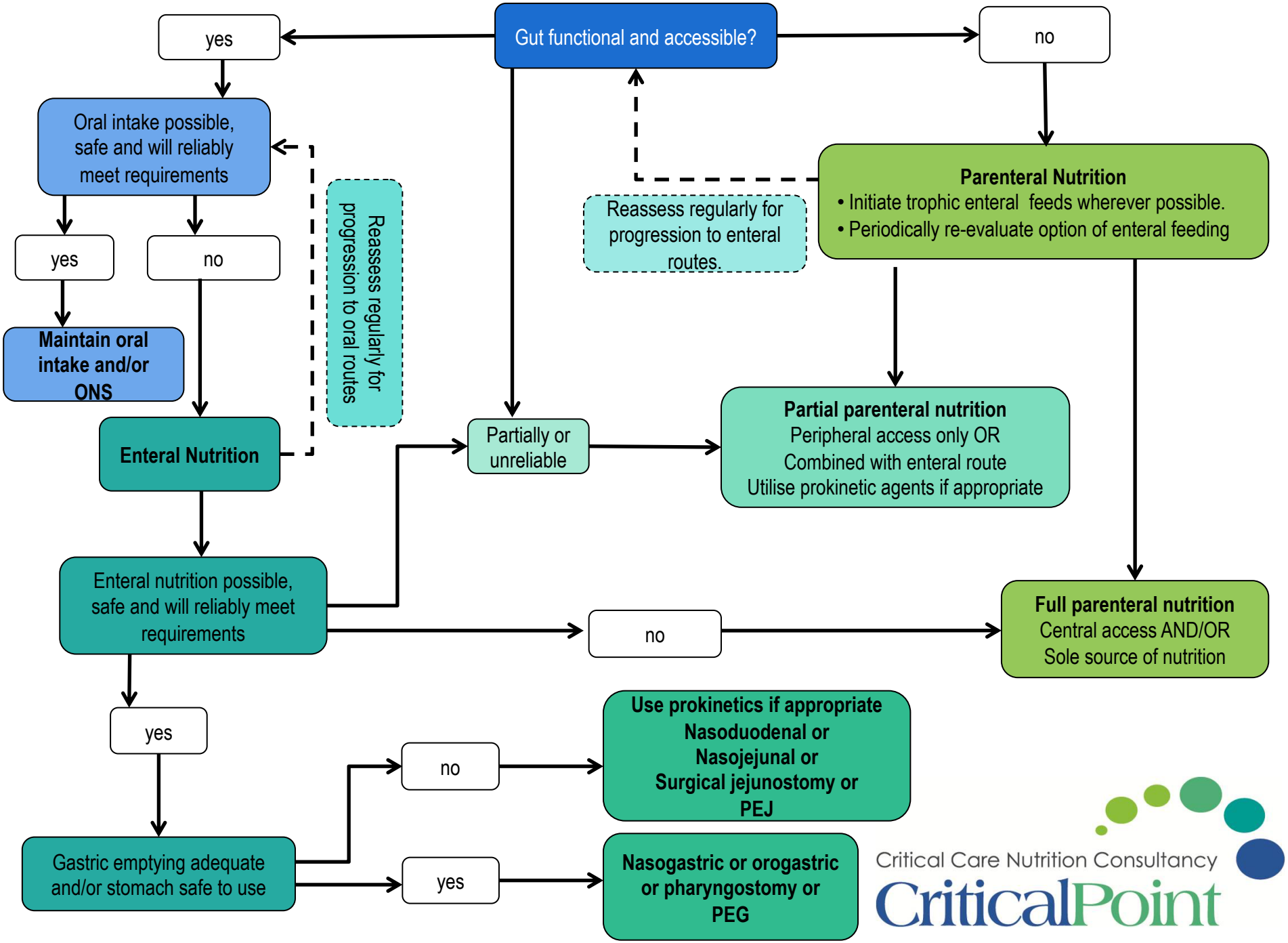
Gut functional and accessible?
yes
no
Oral intake possible, safe and will reliably meet requirements
yes
no
Maintain oral intake and/or ONS
Reassess regularly for progression to oral routes
Enteral Nutrition
Reassess regularly for progression to enteral routes.
Parenteral Nutrition
• Initiate trophic enteral feeds wherever possible.
• Periodically re-evaluate option of enteral feeding
Partially or unreliable
Partial parenteral nutrition
Peripheral access only OR
Combined with enteral route
Utilise prokinetic agents if appropriate
Enteral nutrition possible, safe and will reliably meet requirements
no
Full parenteral nutrition
Central access AND/OR
Sole source of nutrition
yes
no
Use prokinetics if appropriate
Nasoduodenal or
Nasojejunal or
Surgical jejunostomy or
PEJ
Gastric emptying adequate and/or stomach safe to use
yes
Nasogastric or orogastric or pharyngostomy or PEG
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