



Evaluation of Patients

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Patient assessment: four important steps

Step 1: History taking

Step 2: Clinical examination

Step 3: Investigations

Step 4: Diagnosis, phase of disease and severity

Step 1: History taking

What are important histories in dengue patients?

1. Date of onset of fever or illness
2. Symptoms and severity
3. **The 3 golden questions:**
 - 1) How much oral fluid intake: quantity and quality?
 - 2) How much urine output: frequency, volume and time of most recent voiding?
 - 3) What activities can the patient do during the febrile illness?
4. Other fluid losses: diarrhoea, vomiting
5. Presence of warning signs

Step 1: History taking

What are other relevant histories?

6. Family or neighbour with dengue, or travel to dengue-endemic areas

7. Medications (including non-prescription or traditional medicine) in use?
List of medications and last time they were taken.

8. Co-morbid conditions, risk factors: infancy, pregnancy, obesity, diabetes mellitus, hypertension, gastric ulcers, hemolytic anaemia, etc.

Why do we ask?

9. Jungle trekking or swimming in waterfall
Consider leptospirosis, typhus, malaria

10. Recent unprotected sexual or drug use behaviour
Consider acute HIV seroconversion illness

Step 2: Clinical examination

General assessment:

Mental state

Hydration state

Haemodynamic state

Clinical evidence of warning signs:

Bleeding manifestations: mucosal bleeding

Abdominal tenderness

Liver enlargement

Fluid accumulation: pleural effusion, ascites

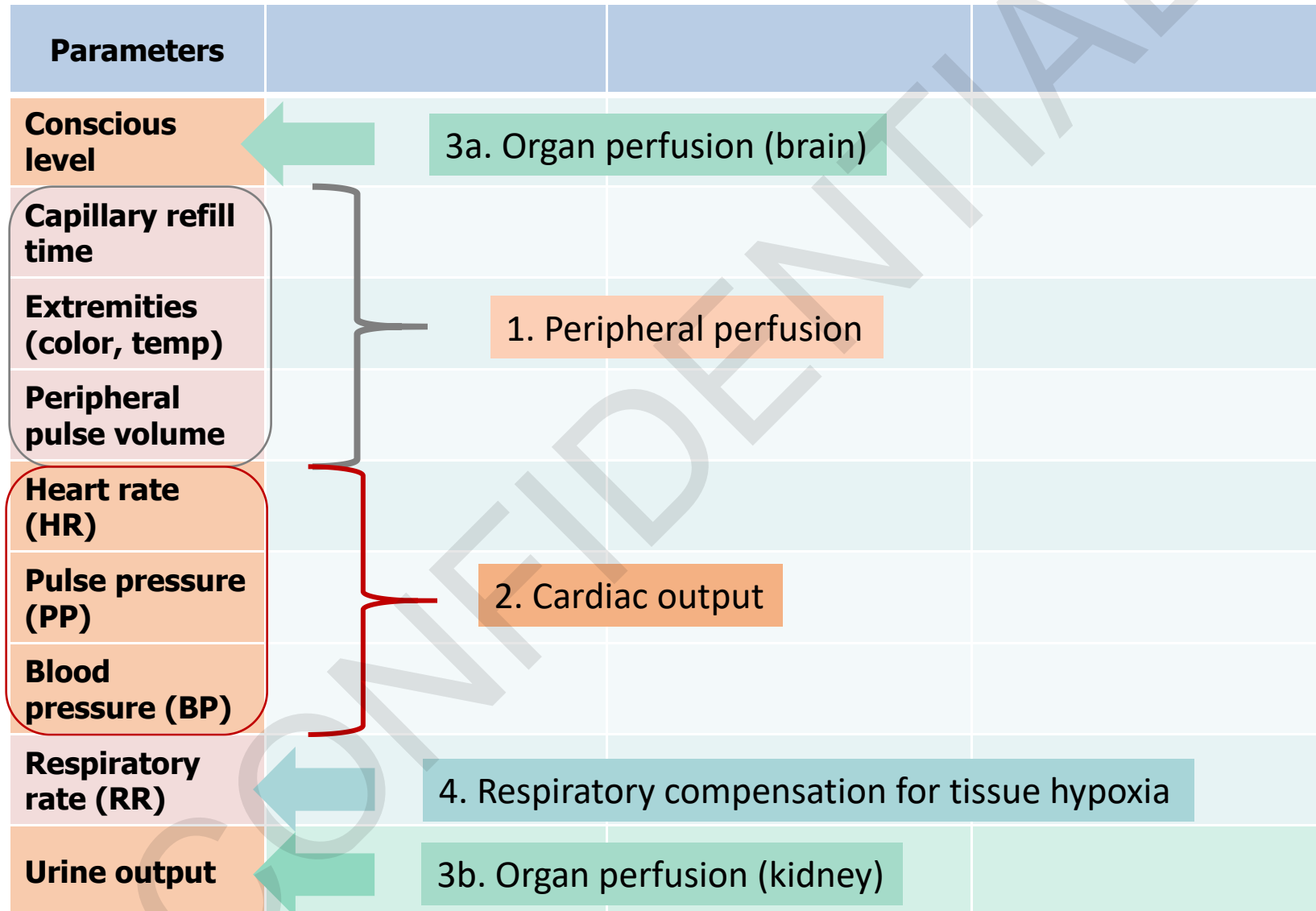
Other important signs:

Rash

Tachypnoea/acidotic breathing: indicates shock

Tourniquet test: repeat if negative or if there is no bleeding manifestation

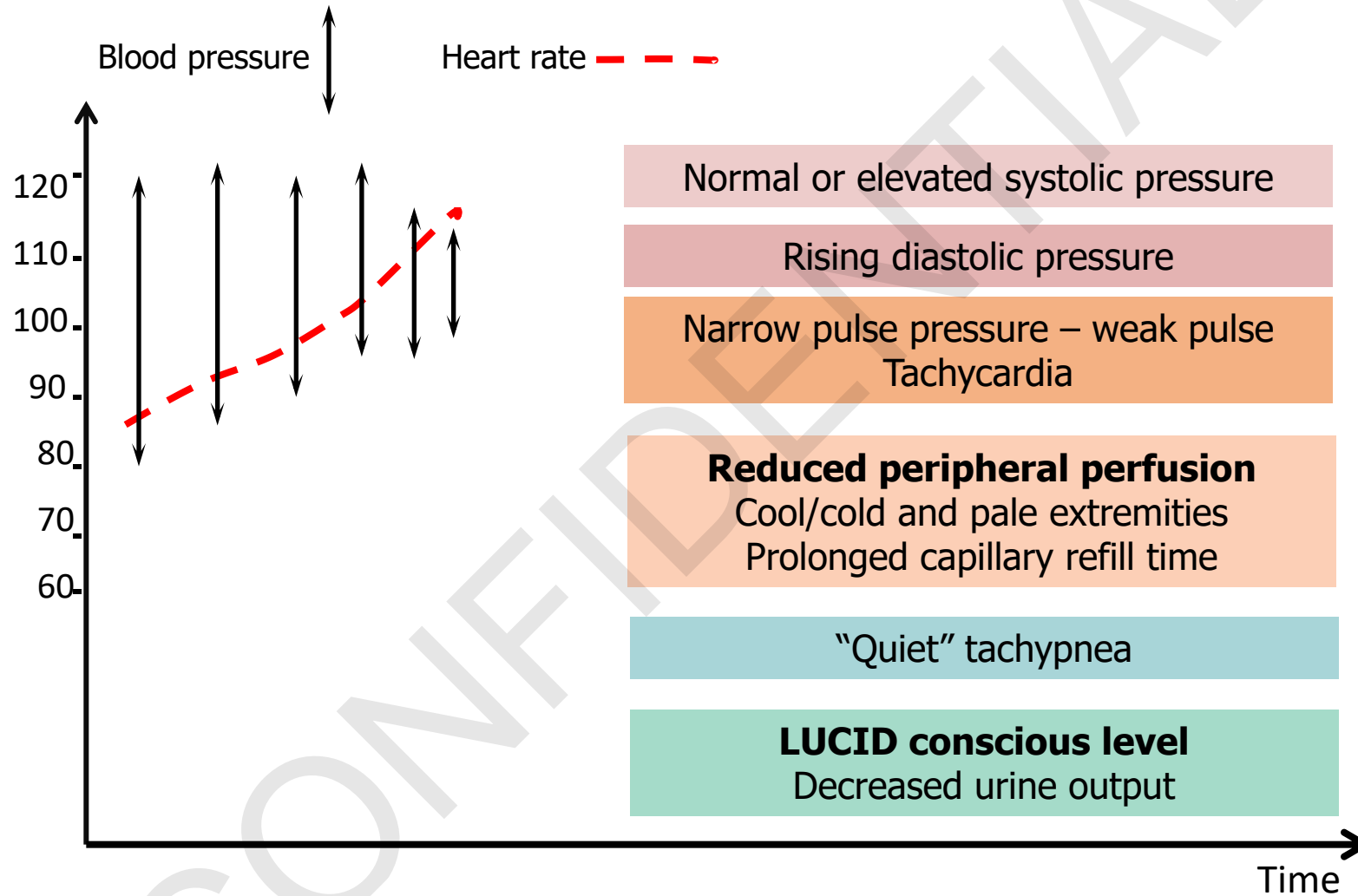
Hemodynamic Assessment - Clinical Parameters



Hemodynamic Assessment - Stable Circulation

Parameters	Stable Circulation	
Conscious level	Clear and lucid	3a. Normal Brain Perfusion
Capillary refill time	Brisk (<2 seconds)	1. Normal Peripheral perfusion
Extremities (color, temp)	Warm and pink	
Peripheral pulse volume	Good volume	
Heart rate (HR)	Normal HR for age	2. Normal Cardiac output
Pulse pressure (PP)	Normal PP for age	
Blood pressure (BP)	Normal BP for age	
Respiratory rate (RR)	Normal RR for age	4. No Respiratory compensation
Urine output	Normal	3b. Normal kidney perfusion

Hemodynamic Changes in Compensated Shock



Hemodynamic Assessment – Compensated Shock

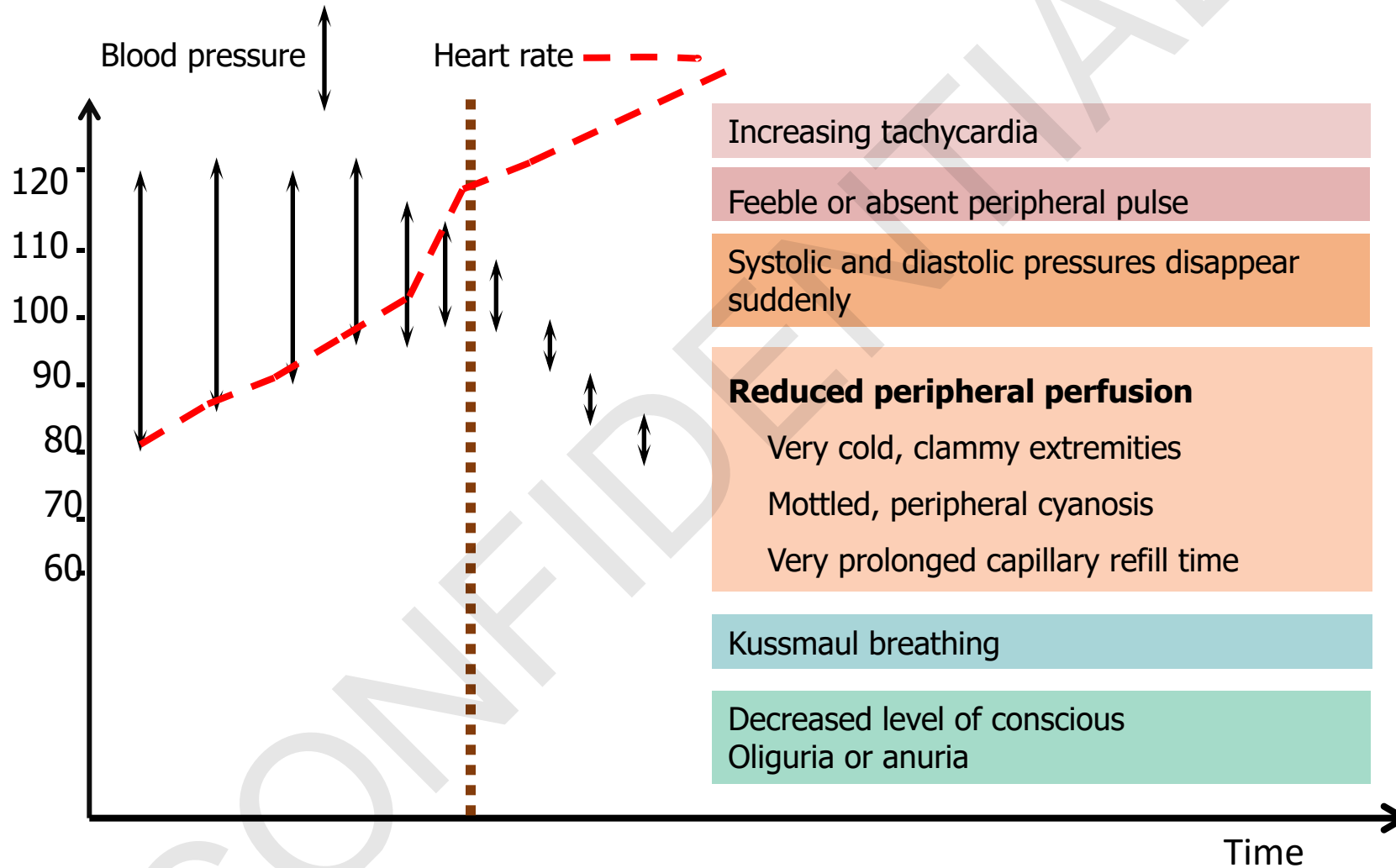
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Conscious level	Clear and lucid	Clear and lucid	3a. Normal brain perfusion
Capillary refill time	Brisk (<2 seconds)	Prolonged (>2 sec)	Reduced peripheral perfusion
Extremities	Warm and pink	Cool peripheries	
Peripheral pulse volume	Good volume	Weak & thready	
Heart rate (HR)	Normal HR for age	Tachycardia for age	Reduced cardiac output
Pulse pressure (PP)	Normal PP for age	Normal systolic pressure rising diastolic pressure	
Blood pressure (BP)	Normal BP for age	Narrowing PP Postural hypotension	
Respiratory rate (RR)	Normal RR for age	"Quiet" tachypnea	Tissue acidosis
Urine output	Normal	Reducing trend	Reduced kidney perfusion

Hemodynamic Assessment - Compensated Shock (cont.)

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Urine output	Normal	Reducing trend

Note that changes are seen in all parameters except **conscious level and systolic** blood pressure

Hemodynamic Changes in Hypotensive Shock



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Hemodynamic Assessment – Hypotensive Shock (cont.)

Key clinical signs of deterioration: Changes in Mental State

- Restless, confused, extremely lethargic
- Seizures
- Agitation alternating with drowsiness

Infants and young children:

- Failure to recognize parents, focus or make eye contact
- Listen to parents: "Something is wrong with my child."

Yet, some children and young adults continue to have **clear** mental state!

Imminent total cardiorespiratory collapse

Hemodynamic Assessment – Monitoring urine output

Why is monitoring of urine output crucial in haemodynamic monitoring?

Reflects renal blood flow -- kidneys regulate intravascular volume.

In early shock state, kidneys conserve fluids by reducing urine volume.

In severe shock, no urine is produced.

What is considered adequate urine output?

In outpatient setting, the patient should drink enough fluids to pass urine about 4 to 6 times a day.

A patient with dengue shock should pass at least 0.5 ml/kg urine per hour.

An indwelling catheter will give an accurate measurement. If the urine volume exceeds this amount, consider reducing the IV fluid therapy.

Pitfall?

In uncontrolled diabetes or hyperglycemia, inappropriately large quantities of urine is produced.

Shock becomes worse because of glycosuria.

Hemodynamic Assessment – Hypotensive Shock (cont.)

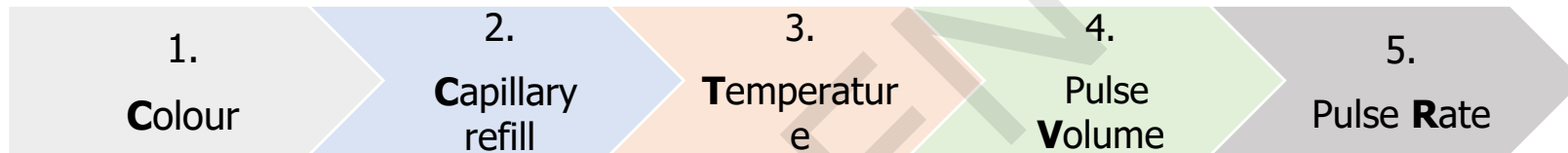
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Capillary refill time	Brisk (<2 sec)	Prolonged (>2 sec)	Very prolonged, mottled skin	} Reduced peripheral perfusion
Extremities	Warm and pink	Cool peripheries	Cold, clammy	
Peripheral pulse volume	Good volume	Weak & thready	Feeble or absent	
Heart rate (HR)	Normal HR for age	Tachycardia for age	Severe tachycardia or bradycardia in late shock	} Reduced cardiac output
Blood pressure	Normal BP for age	Normal syst pr, rising diastolic pr	Hypotension Unrecordable BP	
Pulse pressure (PP)	Normal PP for age	Narrowing PP Postural hypotension	Narrowed pulse pressure (≤20 mmHg)	
Respiratory rate (RR)	Normal RR for age	"Quiet" tachypnea	Kussmaul breathing	← Severe tissue acidosis
Urine output	Normal	Reducing trend	Oliguria or anuria	← No kidney perfusion

Pearls in clinical examination of dengue patients

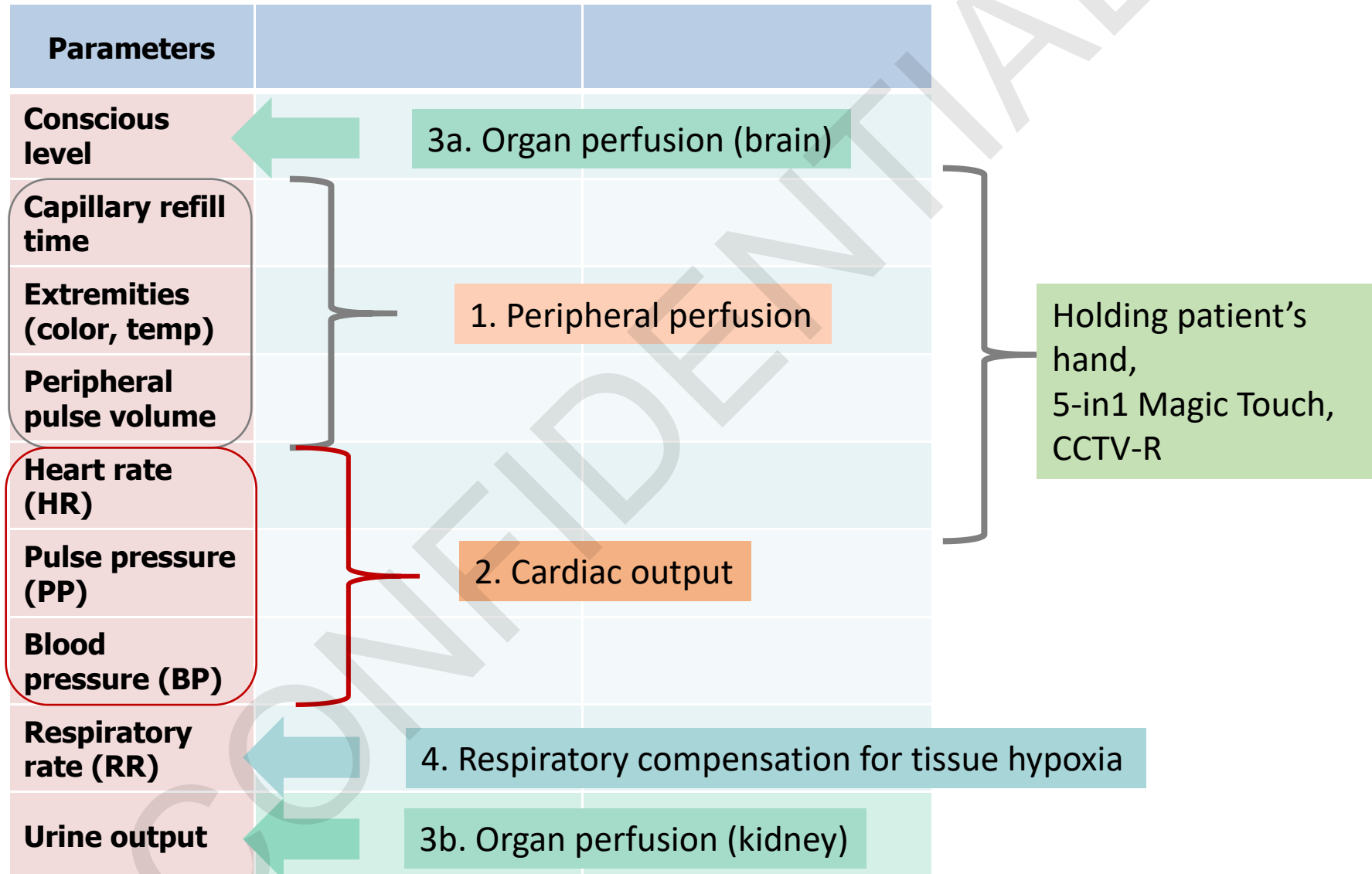
The "5-in-1 maneuver" magic touch – CCTV-R

Hold the patient's hand to evaluate peripheral perfusion.

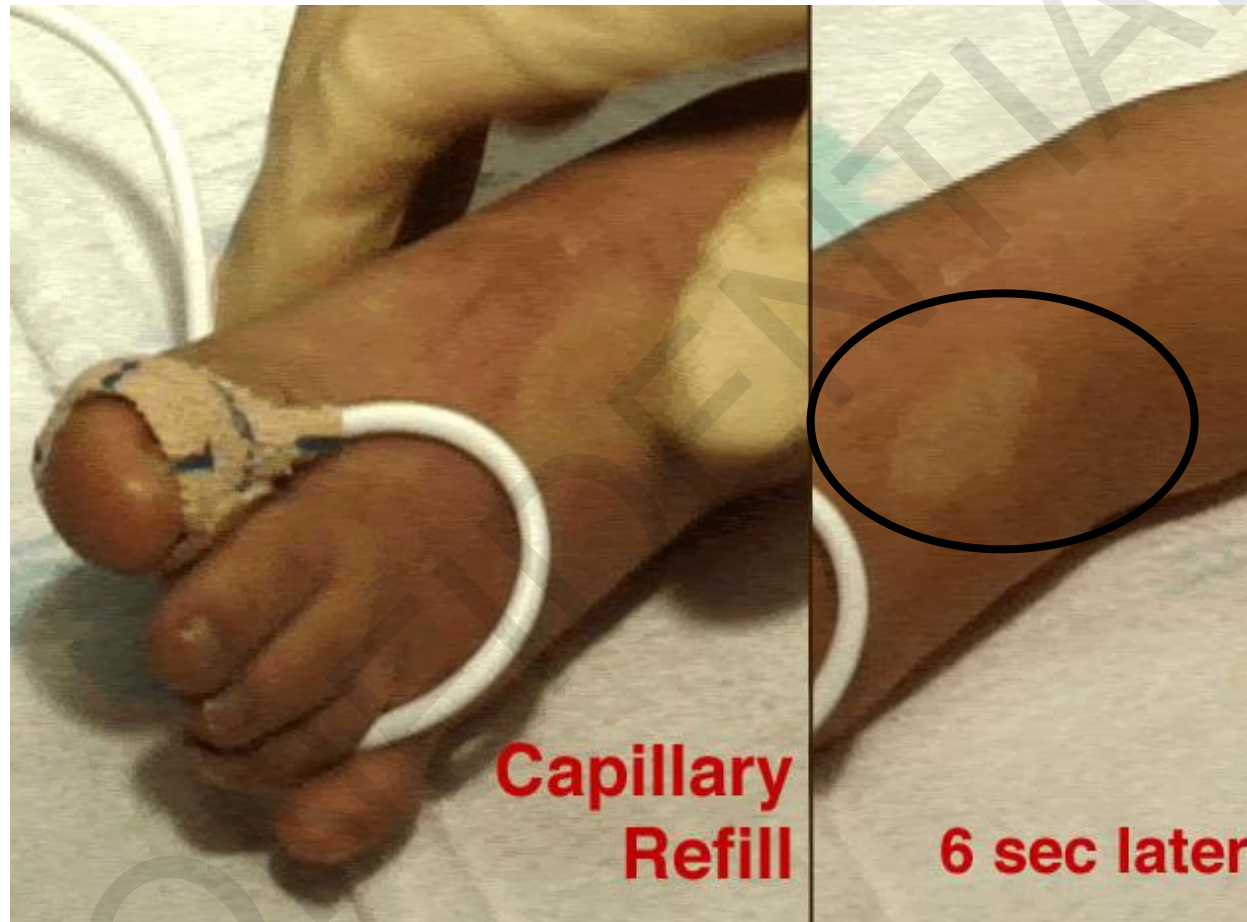
Save life in 30 seconds by recognizing shock



Hemodynamic Assessment – Holding patient’s hand



The "5-in-1 maneuver" magic touch



**Delayed capillary refill time.
The blood pressure was normal at this time.**

Pitfalls in clinical examination of dengue patients

A patient with high fever (39°C) has tachycardia, cold extremities and delayed capillary refill time.

- Is he or she in shock?
- What other features do you need to consider?

* Reminder: Haemodynamic assessment is the foundation of dengue clinical management.

A wrong interpretation could lead to a wrong decision in fluid management.

Pitfalls in clinical examination of dengue patients

Always look at the **BIG picture** before “zooming in”.

History:
When was fever onset?
In which phase of disease is the patient?

Intake/output:
What was the patient’s fluid intake and urine output?

**Big
Picture**

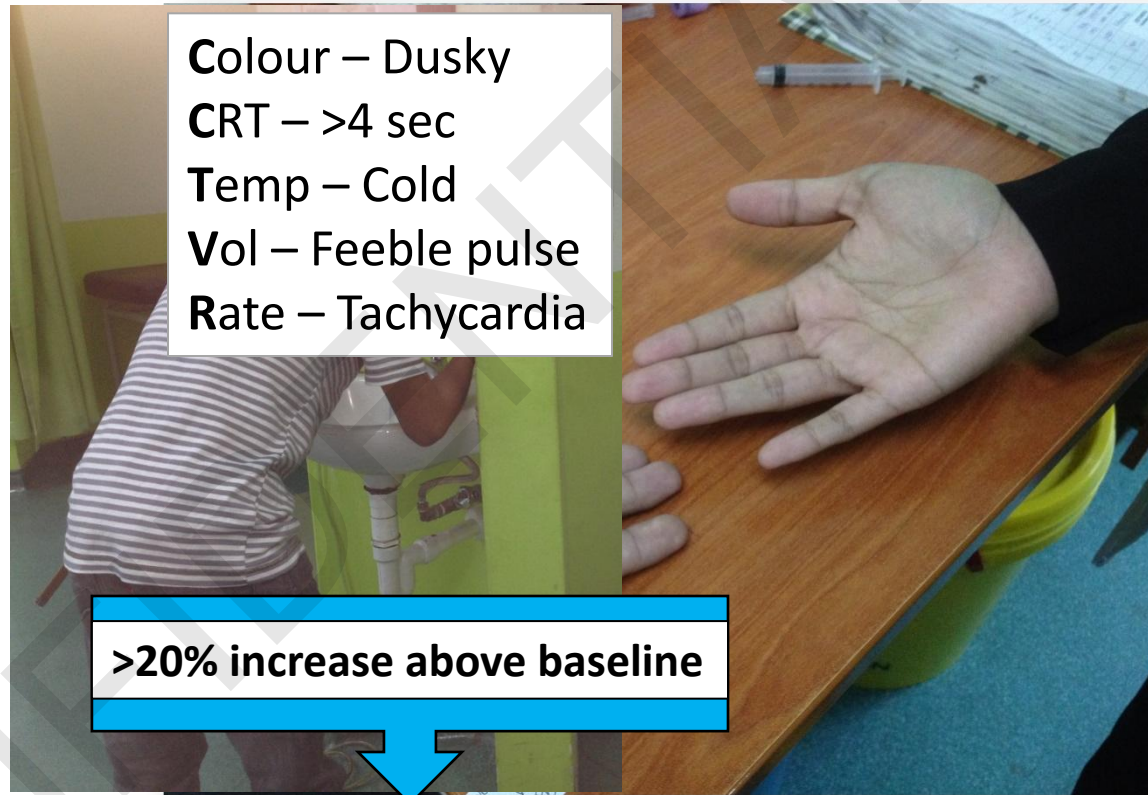
Any warning signs?

What was the patient’s **pulse volume**?

Remember:
Clinical features come as a “package”, not in isolation.

Case discussion 1

Green Zone: 21 year old, Day 5 of illness on a Saturday



	Saturday
HCT	45
PLT	55
Urea	



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Case discussion 2

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52 year old Gentleman
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Ideal Body Weight : 64 kg
BMI : 24.5

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Lorry driver
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HCT	0.55	
WBC	4.8 [N64 L28]	
PLT	115	
Urea/Creat	4.3 / 89	
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ENCOURAGE to drink adequate amounts of fluid & discharge



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8:00 PM

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HCT	0.55 ←	<div style="border: 2px solid red; padding: 5px;"> IS THE HEMATOCRIT NORMAL FOR HIM ? GUESS HIS BASELINE HCT... </div>
WBC	4.8 [N64 L28]	
PLT	115	
Urea/Creat	4.3 / 89	
TCO2	24	
Na/K	134 / 3.9	

THE STORY CONTINUES ...

This patient was given 1 pint of NS over next 2 hours and allowed for discharge.
BP 130/70 mmHg and Pulse was 80 bpm.

Discharged at 12 Midnight and asked to recheck bloods again in Clinic in the morning.

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Day 7 of illness associated with myalgia and mild arthralgia

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- Diarrhoea 2 times per day
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- Poor oral intake
- Lethargic and unable to work past 3 days
- Spends most hours resting in bed
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Day 7 morning, follow-up in CLINIC as advised by ED Dr
Still poor oral intake ; No vomiting ; Diarrhoea x 2 over-night.

On examination : Looked generally well (walked into clinic)
Temp 36.8°C
BP 117/78 mmHg
Pulse 102 bpm ;
Good pulse volume / CRT <2 sec
Lungs : Clear

Plan : FBC STAT

Interpret His Symptoms And Physical Findings ?

What Would You Write As The Diagnosis ?

List The Current Problems To Highlight To The Managing Team In The Ward.

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Presented the next morning for follow-up (DAY 7)

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	Day 6	Day 7
Hb	18.8	19.5
HCT	0.55	0.59
WBC	4.8 [N64 L28]	7.3 [N49 L24 A 22]
PLT	115	82
Urea/Creat	4.3 / 89	
TCO ₂	24	
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CURRENT DIAGNOSIS

Presumed Dengue Fever Day 7 Illness
In Critical Phase with Compensated Shock.

Warning Signs :

Dehydration ; Lethargy

Hemoconcentration with rapid PLT drop.

Tachycardia

Do You Think There Is Any Plasma Leakage At This Point ?

THE STORY CONTINUES ...

Mr. SD was planned for admission and IV Drip started at Clinic.

But, no infusion pump in clinic

Upon arrival to ward at 12 noon, only 250 c.c. was given over past 2 hours.

How much of IV Fluids would you plan to give Mr SD, while in the clinic & upon arrival to ward at 12 noon.

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WARD REVIEW

Presumed Dengue Fever Day 7 Illness
In Critical Phase with ? Compensated Shock.

Warning Signs :

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Hemoconcentration with rapid PLT drop.

Tachycardia

On Review 2 pm:

Alert ; Pink

BP : 132/92 mmHg

Pulse : 98 bpm

Good pulse volume ; CRT < 2 seconds

Lungs : No pleural Effusion

PA : Liver palpable 3 FB with shifting dullness

Urine : 200 c.c. at 2:00 PM (*)

WHAT WOULD BE YOUR NEXT STEP OF MANAGEMENT ?

WHAT WOULD BE YOUR NEXT PLAN OF MANAGEMENT ?

- REDUCE IV drip as patient is having ascites (1 cc/kg/Hr)
- IV Drip 3 cc/kg/Hr
- IV Drip 5 cc/kg/Hr for 2 hours and reassess again in 2 hours (to make up for inadequate IVF)
- IV Drip 7 – 10 cc/kg/Hr and reassess (since IV fluid given in Clinic was inadequate)

THE STORY CONTINUES ...

Mr. SD was given IV Drip 3 cc/kg/Hr and repeat bloods 2 hours later (**4 pm**)

Passed over to on-call team to review FBC and general condition.

FBC repeated 2 hours post IV fluids (**4 pm**)

On-Call review **10:00 pm**

IV Drip 3 c.c./kg/Hr continued till on-call review.

Ward Review by On-Call Team

On Review : No vomiting
c/o Abdominal colicky pain

Alert

Temp : 37.2 °c

BP : 110/78 mmHg

Pulse : 102 bpm :

Good pulse volume ; CRT < 2 seconds

Warm Peripheries

Lungs : Clear

PA : Soft and Non tender ;
No hepatosplenomegaly

Urine output : Concentrated

WHAT WOULD BE YOUR NEXT PLAN OF MANAGEMENT ?



REDUCE IV Drip to 1 cc/kg/Hr



REDUCE IV Drip to 2 cc/kg/Hr



MAINTAIN IV Drip at 3cc/kg/Hr



INCREASE IV Drip 5cc/kg/Hr and
re-assess again in 2 hours

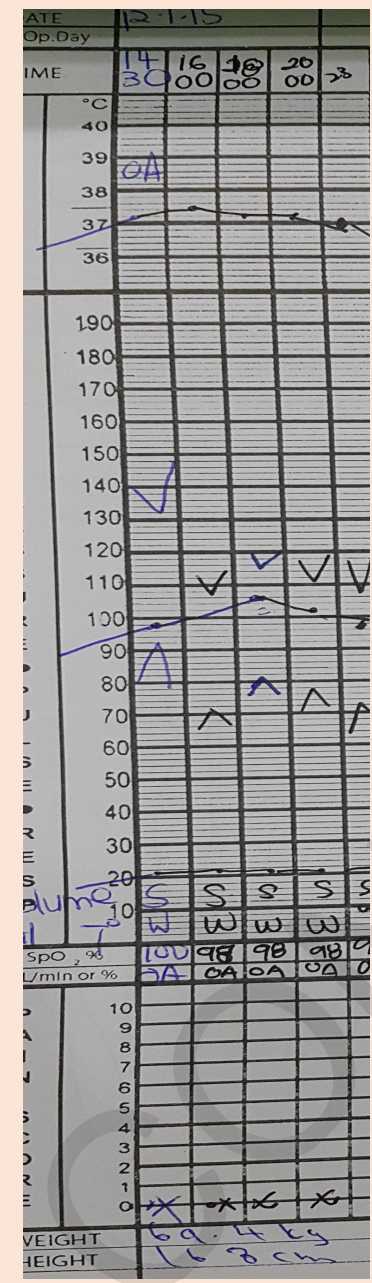
FBC 12 NOON

Hb 19.5
HCT 0.59
PLT 82

1300			N/saline	500	100	200
1400			N/saline	180	1400	200
1500			N/saline	180		
1600	H ₂ O	150	N/saline	180	1600	150
1700			N/saline	180	1700	250
1800	H ₂ O	150	N/saline	180		
1900	H ₂ O	150	N/saline	180		
2000			N/saline	180		
2100		150	N/saline	180	2145	200
24-HOUR TOTAL				IN TAKE: 3050	OUTPUT:	

FBC 4 PM

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PLT 67



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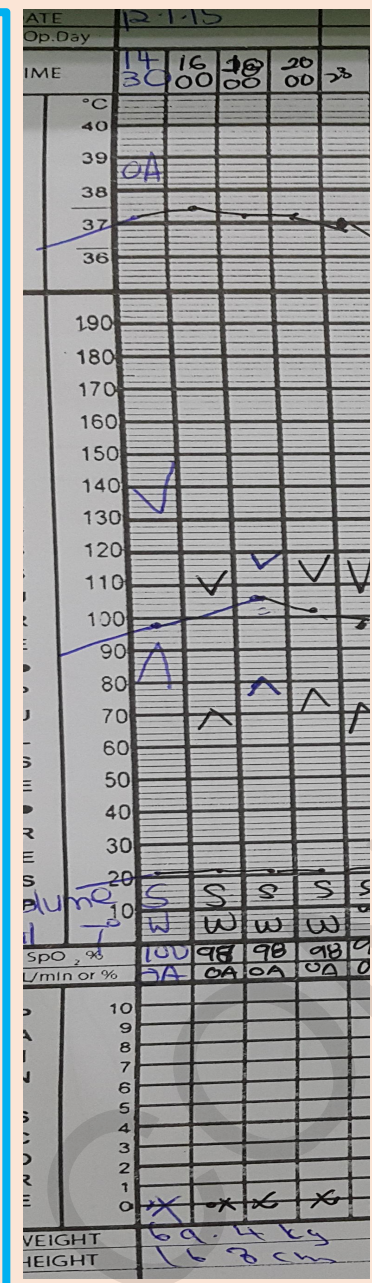
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2hours



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TIME	IN	OUT	IV	OUTPUT
1300			N/saline 500	100 200
1400			N/saline 180	1400 200
1500			N/saline 180	
1600	H ₂ O 150		N/saline 180	1600 150
1700			N/saline 180	1700 250
1800	H ₂ O 150		N/saline 180	
1900	H ₂ O 150		N/saline 180	
2000			N/saline 180	2145 200
2100			N/saline 180	

12-Hour INTAKE: 750
 24-HOUR TOTAL INTAKE: 3050

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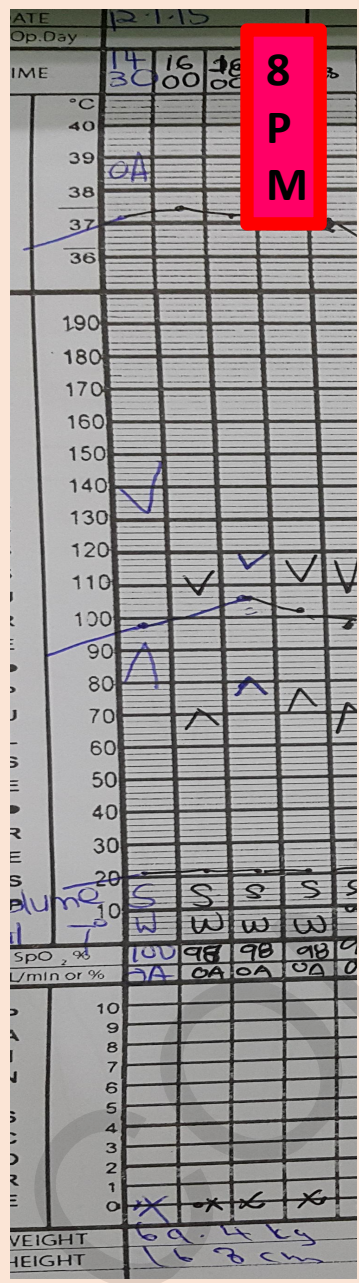
Good pulse volume ;
CRT < 2 seconds ;
Warm Peripheries

Lungs : Clear

PA : Soft and Non
tender ;

No
hepatosplenomegaly

Urine output : Concentrated



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Hb 19.5
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PLT 82

What do these numbers mean?
How should you deal with them?

1300							
1400							
1500							
1600	H ₂ O	150					
1700							
1800	H ₂ O	150					
1900	H ₂ O	150	N/saline	180			
2000			N/saline	180			
2100	hr	150	N/saline	180			
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Interpret the urine output

FBC 4 PM
Hb 18.5
HCT 0.54
PLT 67

How best to interpret urine output chart at 10 PM?

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FBC 12 NOON

**Hb 19.5
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PLT 82**

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How should you deal with them?

1300			N/saline	500		
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THE STORY CONTINUES ...

Mr. SD was allowed to sleep that night.

PLAN : IV Drip 2cc/kg/Hr till the next morning review at 8 am, Day 8.

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Ward Review The Next Morning 8 AM [18 hours from admission]

On Review : Having abdominal pain
 No vomiting / diarrhoea / bleeding

Hydration good

Temp : 37.0 °c

BP : 126/88 mmHg

Pulse : 100 bpm, good pulse volume

SPO₂ : 100% RA

Lungs : Reduced air entry right basal

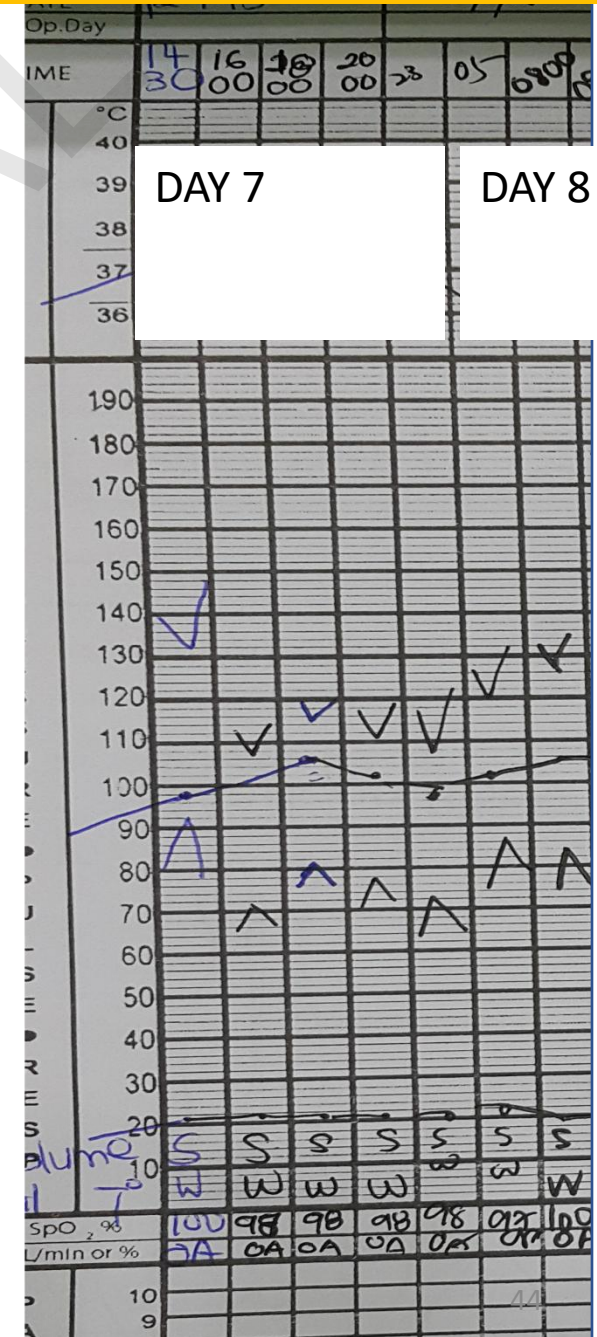
PA : Soft and Non tender

I/O : 4010 / 1050 cc [+ 2960] over 18 Hours

FBC pending

WHAT DO YOU THINK IS HAPPENING IN THE MORNING ?

WHAT WOULD YOUR ORDERS BE ?



Ward Review @ 08:00 [18 hours from admission]

On Review : Having abdominal pain
No vomiting/diarrhoea
/bleeding

Hydration good
Temp : 37.0 °c
BP : 126/88 mmHg
Pulse : 100 bpm, good pulse volume
SPO2 : 100% RA

Lungs : Reduced air entry right basal
PA : Soft and Non tender

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18 Hours

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WHAT WOULD YOU DO NEXT ?



REDUCE IV Drip
to 1 cc/kg/Hr



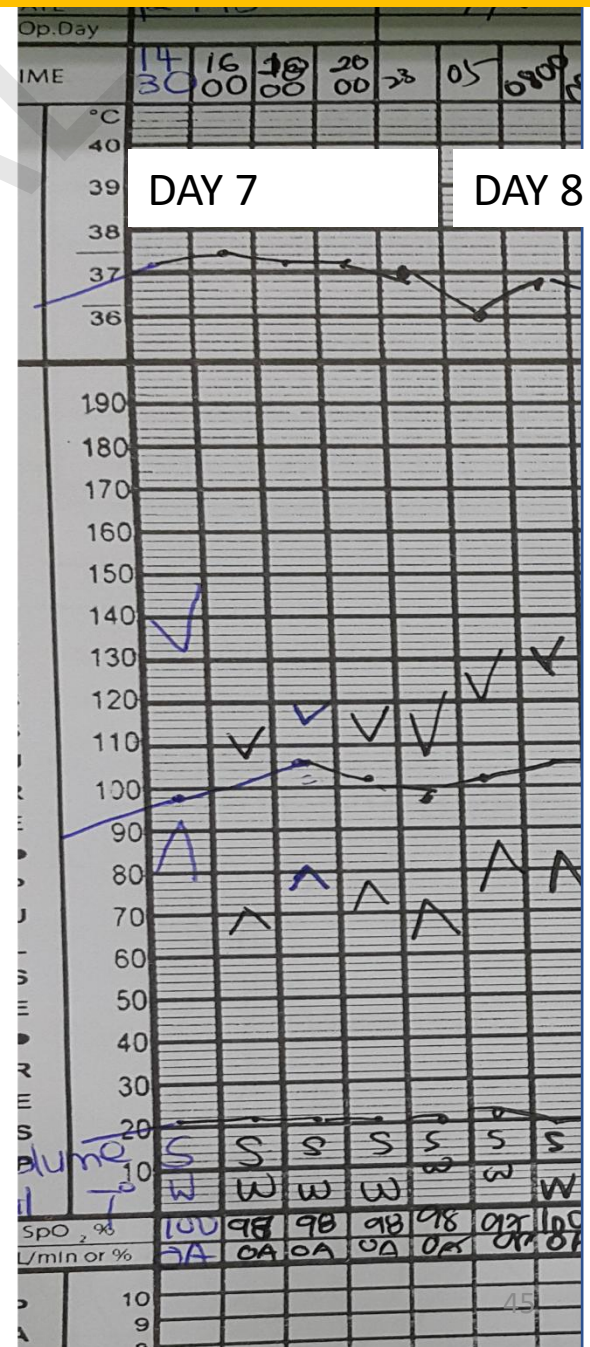
MAINTAIN IV
Drip to
2 cc/kg/Hr



INCREASE IV
Drip Rate



NO DECISION till
FBC is ready.



THE STORY CONTINUES ...

Since pulse volume was still good;
IV Drip was reduced to 1 cc/kg/Hr between 9 am → 12 Noon

FBC was reviewed 11 AM

Increase In Hematocrit

Increase In WBC

At 12 noon, 4 HOURS after Morning Review

Increasing Respiratory Rate

Developed diaphoresis / Cold Clammy
Pulse was weak and thready

	Day 6 (ED)	Day 7 12 noon	Day 7 4pm	Day 8 7am
Hb	18.8	19.5	18.5	19.7
HCT	0.55	0.59	0.54	0.59
WBC	4.8 [N64 28]	7.3 [N49 L24 A 22]	8.4 [N60 L18 A 11]	13.4
PLT	115	82	67	42
Urea/Creat	4.3 / 89		3.8 / 73	4.3 / 79
TCO2	24		21	20
Na/K	134 / 3.9		135 / 3.7	137 / 4.2
	500cc STAT	Overnight with no IV Drip	After 3cc/kg/Hr for 2 hours	After reducing to 2cc/kg/Hr overnight

Ward Review : 12 noon, 4 Hours LATER

On Review : Cramp like abdominal pain (feels better after MMT/PPI)
Was still trying to drink water as much as he can (increasing lethargy)

Mild tachypnoea , Dry tongue

Temp : 37.0 °c

BP : **146/100** mmHg

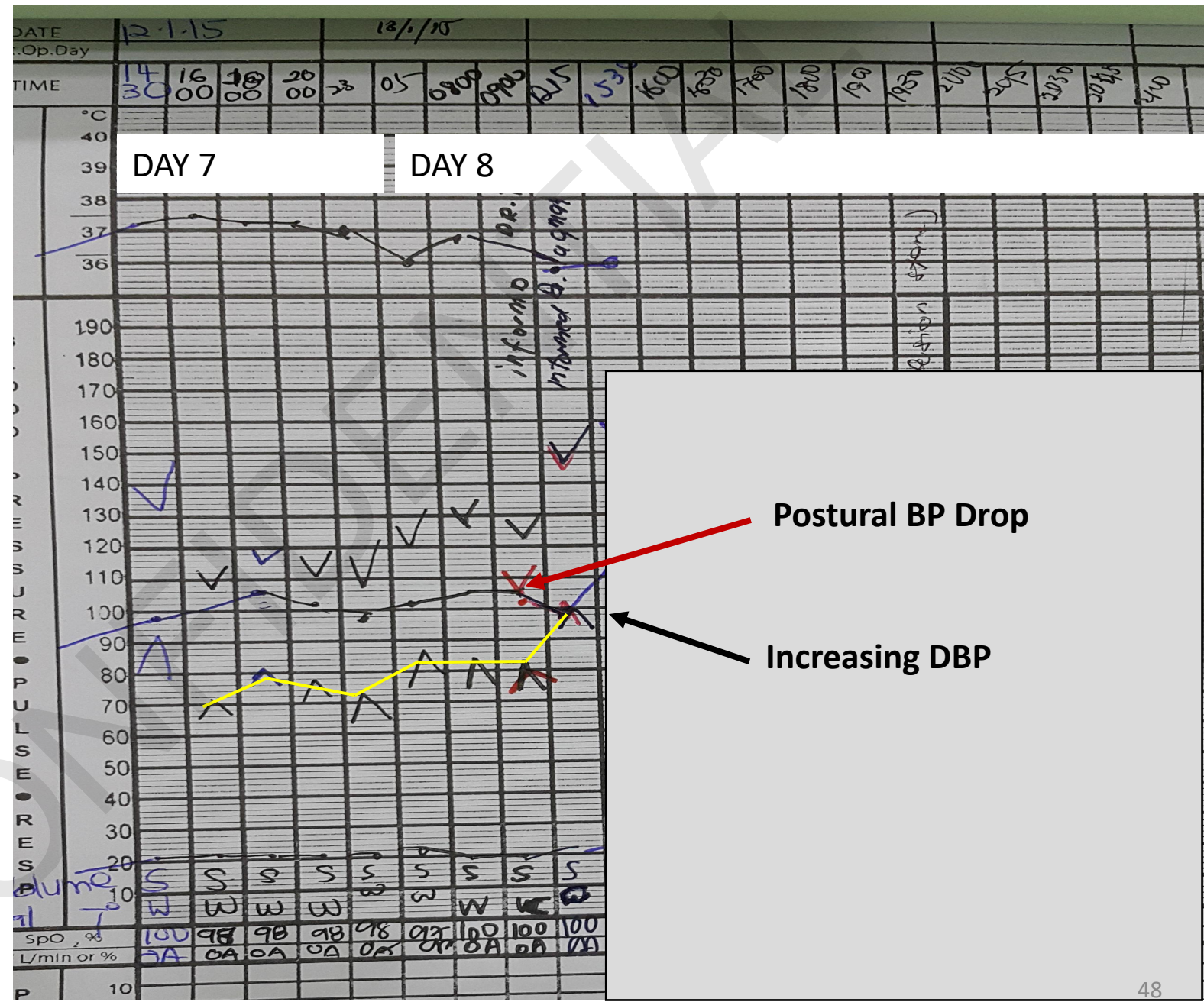
Pulse : 98 bpm (weak to moderate pulse volume) : CRT < 2s

SPO₂ : **100% RA**

Lungs : Reduced air entry right basal

PA : Soft with mild tenderness @ epigastrium

WHAT DO YOU THINK IS HAPPENING NOW ?



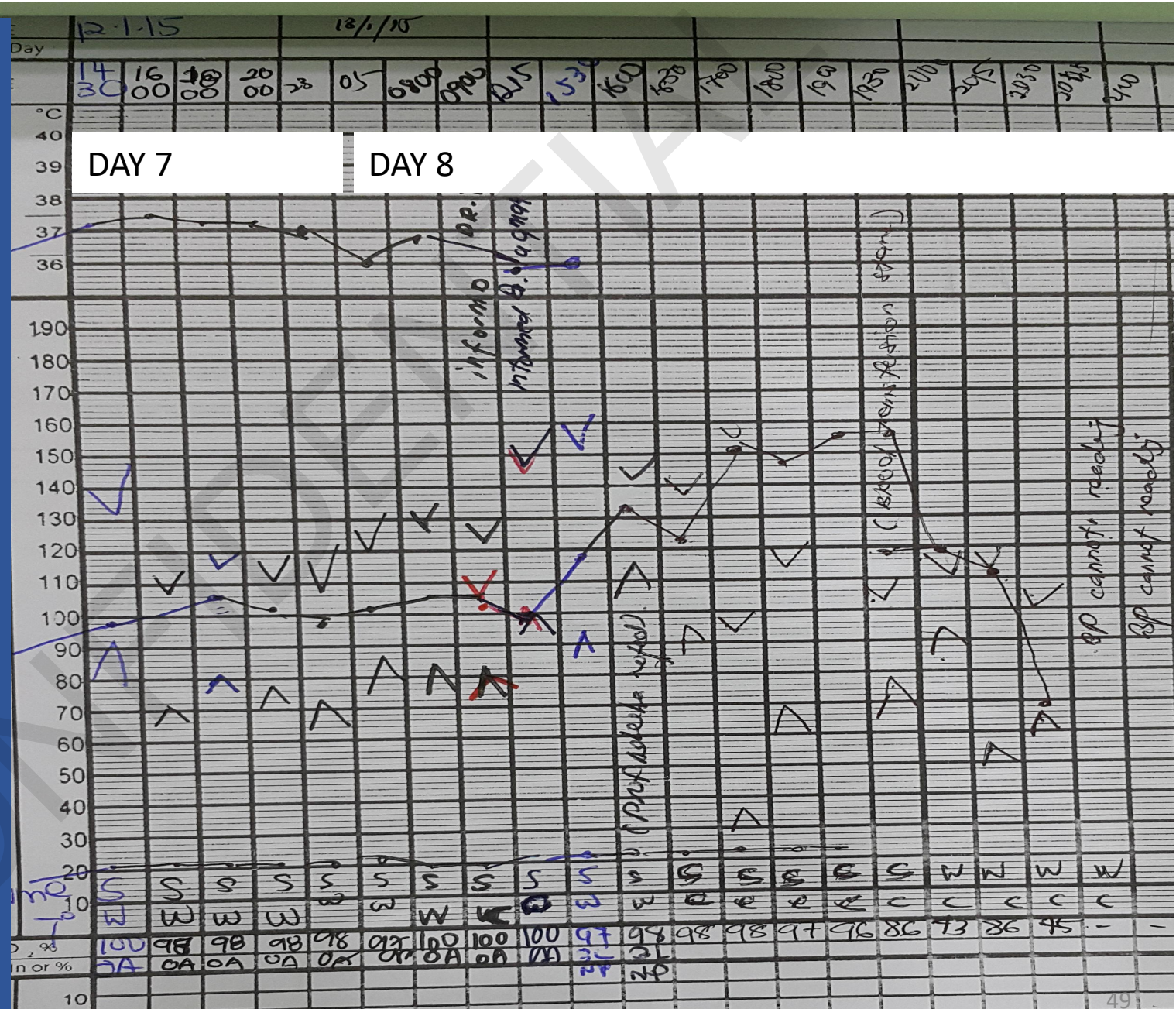
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Eventually failed resuscitation attempt.

What can we learn from this dengue patient?

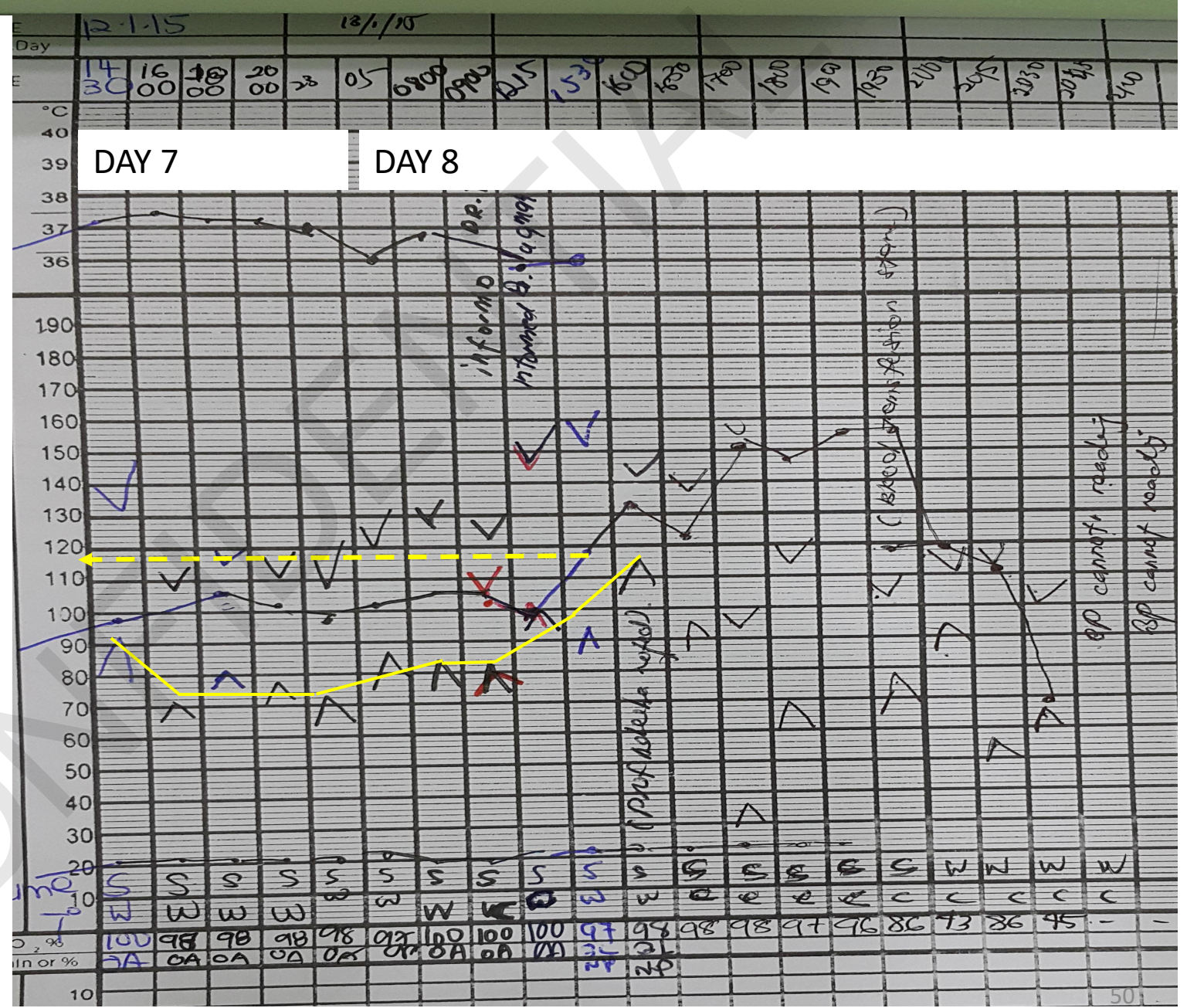
Poor outcome if they are NOT ADEQUATELY Resuscitated in the first 24 hours of admission.

WHAT We Can Learn From The Effects Of Dengue When A Patient Is Intravascularly Depleted.

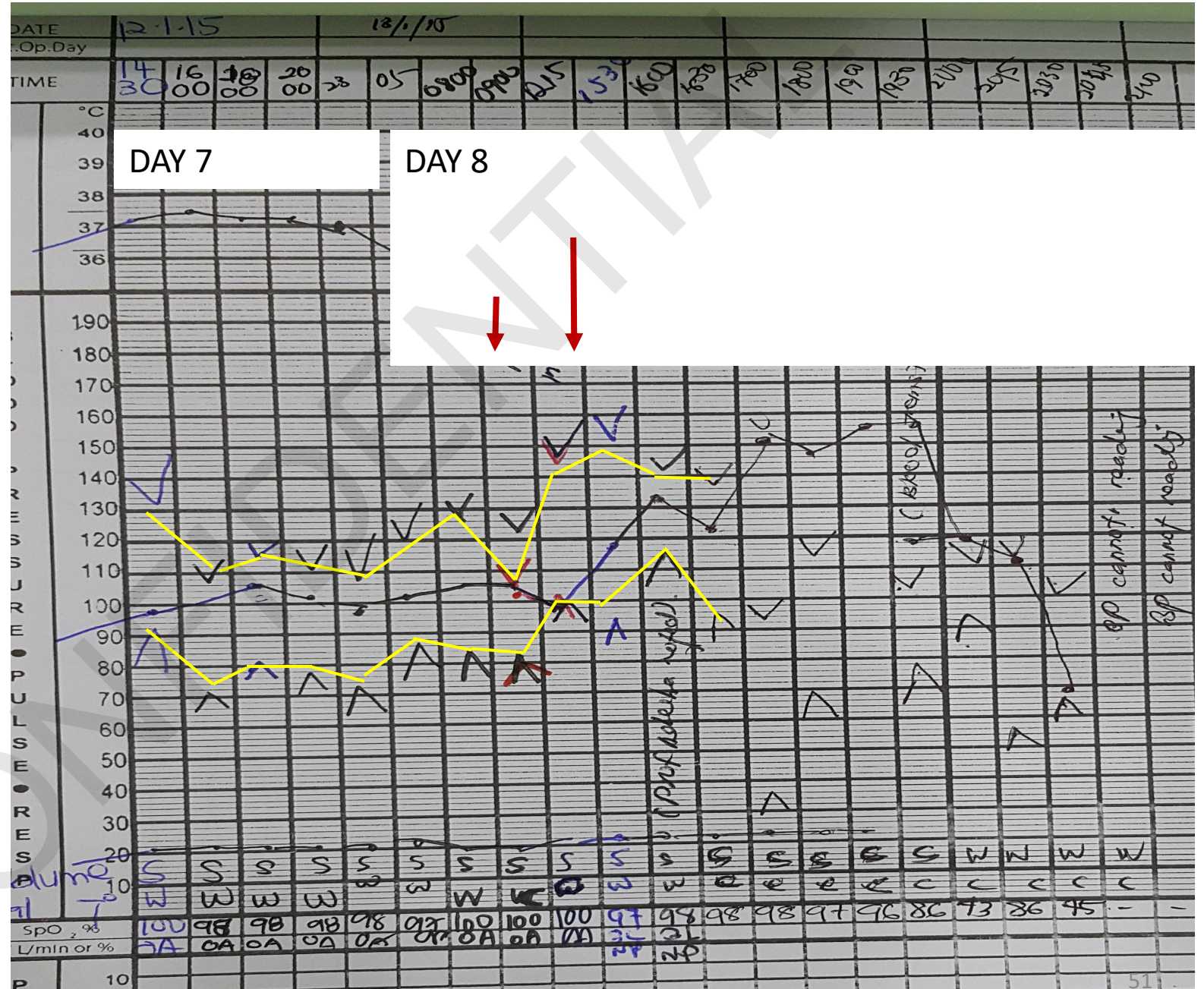


**INCREASING
DIASTOLIC pressure
(Peripheral vasoconstriction)**

**Increasing systolic pressure
during the phase of compensated
shock**



NARROWING PULSE PRESSURE



What Can We Learn From Mr. SD's Case ?

1. ED and Clinic:

DO NOT BE TRICKED into thinking that just because the patient is able to walk, he must be “well” or “stable”!

Listen to the STORY – Poor oral intake, not able to work.....For past 6 days, regardless of blood results

2. During ward admission and when taking over the management:

REVIEW The History and Previous Management Given. Was it Adequate ? Catch Up IV Fluids?

Evaluate every Hematocrit result. Trace blood investigation results and interpret results in REAL-TIME

RECOGNISE the Problem In Real-Time. Assessment to be done in Real-Time. Then - identifying the Problem List.

COMMUNICATION between colleagues – ward doctors and on-call doctors.

3. **Management during the first 12 to 24 hours of admission is critical in determining the outcome**



Case Discussion 3

NJ – 54 yr old female @ KK 1

- **16 Feb** – onset of fever

17 Feb – Walked into KK 1,
Fever for 2 days with decreased oral intake
Associated with myalgia
No vomiting, no abdominal pain, no warning signs.

Phy exam: Temp 39.2°C, BP 137/62, HR – 108,
CVS and Lungs – normal

Management: Paracetamol 1 gm QID, CBC next morning

18 Feb – same clinic KK 1, day 3 of fever

Dizziness, headache, decreased oral intake

No URTI symptoms

No vomiting, No diarrhea, No abd pain, No chest pain, No myalgia/arthralgia

Phy exam: Temp 37.9°C, BP 134/70, PR 95, Good volume pulse, CRT <2 sec

CBC- WBC 3.1, Hb 13.7, HCT 39.6, Platelet 132

Management: Paracetamol – 1 g qid,
Notify as dengue,
Dengue alert card given,
Advice patient to seek medical help if worsening symptoms.
Repeat CBC next morning

19 Feb @ KK 2 – Day 4, late afternoon

Less oral intake, nausea

No vomiting/diarrhoea, No abd pain, No URTI, No bleeding.

Pink, good hydration, warm peripheries, CRT < 2 sec, Good pulse volume

Lungs, CVS, abdomen – normal

Temp 36.5°C, BP 130/90, PR 92

TWC – 2.9, Hb 13.2, HCT 39.8, Platelet 88

Diagnosis: DF, Day 4, in defervescence, No warning signs

Encourage fluid intake

Advice – go to nearest hospital if warning signs

Repeat CBC next day.

Time line

Day 1 16 Feb	Day 2 17 Feb	Day 3 18 Feb	Day 4 19 Feb
Fever onset	Fever, Myalgia Headache Decr oral intake No D.V.AP, WS	Dizziness, Headache Decr oral intake. No D.V.AP, WS	Less oral intake, nausea No D, V, AP, WS
	Temp 39.2°C	Temp 37.9°C	Temp 36.5°C
	Good perfusion	Good perfusion	Good perfusion
		WBC 3.1, HCT 39.6	WBC 2.9, HCT 39.8
		Hb 13.7, Platelet 132	Hb 13.2, Platelet 88
	Encourage oral fluid	Encourage oral fluid	Encourage oral fluid

20 Feb – KK 3 – Day 5, 9.45 am

Brought by daughter

Severe headache, dizziness, has not taken anything orally for past 2 days.

Lethargic looking, severely dehydrated, coated tongue, dry lips, no petechiae

Temp – 36.7°C, BP 118/60, PR 120, small pulse volume, CRT > 2 sec

Lungs clear, abdomen – soft

CBC: WBC 2.6, HCT 46.2, Hb 15.2, Platelet 56

Dengue with dehydration and shock

Management: IV 500 ml NS, referred to nearest hospital.

Timeline

Day 1 16 Feb	Day 2 17 Feb	Day 3 18 Feb	Day 4 19 Feb	Day 5 20 Feb
Fever onset	Fever, Myalgia Headache Decr oral intake No D,V,AP, WS	Dizziness, Headache Decr oral intake No D,V,AP, WS	Less oral intake, nausea No D,V,AP, WS	Dizziness Not eaten anything for past 2 days.
	Temp 39.2°C	Temp 37.9°C	Temp 36.5°C	Temp 36.7°C
	Good perfusion	Good perfusion	Good perfusion	Poor perfusion
		WBC 3.1, HCT 39.6 Hb 13.7,	WBC 2.9, HCT 39.8 Hb 13.2,	WBC 2.6, HCT 46.2, Hb 15.2,
	Encourage oral fluid	Platelet 132 Encourage oral fluid	Platelet 88 Encourage oral fluid	Platelet 56 Dengue Shock

Why does this patient who had daily follow-up and blood tests from early febrile phase and who had **no warning signs at all**, yet developed shock?

Discuss how this outcome can be avoided

Lessons Learnt

- 1) Draw the timelines – understand cumulative effects of illness, plot trajectory **versus** seeing patient in “**silo**”
- 2) Reduced oral intake vs persistent vomiting
Three golden questions :
 1. **Fluid intake**
 2. **Urine output**
 3. **Activities**
- 3) After 72 hours, esp when temperature is normal, anyone with reduced oral intake should be admitted for intravenous rehydration



Thank You

A close-up photograph of a mosquito on human skin, with a green gradient overlay. The mosquito is positioned in the center-right of the frame, facing left. The skin is a light brown color, and the background is a soft, out-of-focus green. The text is overlaid on the image in white.

Initial Management of Severe Dengue

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Indications of IV fluid therapy



- Resuscitation Therapy
- Rehydration Therapy – Deficit
- Replacement Therapy – on-going abnormal losses
- Maintenance Therapy – “**Just enough**” IV fluid for metabolic rate – Oral + Parenteral

Summary of management of dengue

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Group C: Emergency treatment

Compensated shock (systolic pressure maintained + reduced perfusion)

Conduct CBC, HCT, GXM and other blood investigations before fluid resuscitation

Obtain reference blood readings for all shock patients before fluid therapy.

Start IV fluid therapy with isotonic crystalloids:
5–10 ml/kg/hr (adult) or
10–20 ml/kg/hr (child) for 1 hour

Start IV fluid resuscitation

*REASSESS

Then reassess haemodynamic response:

- Vital signs
- Peripheral perfusion: “5-in-1 magic touch”, CCTV-R
- Urine output

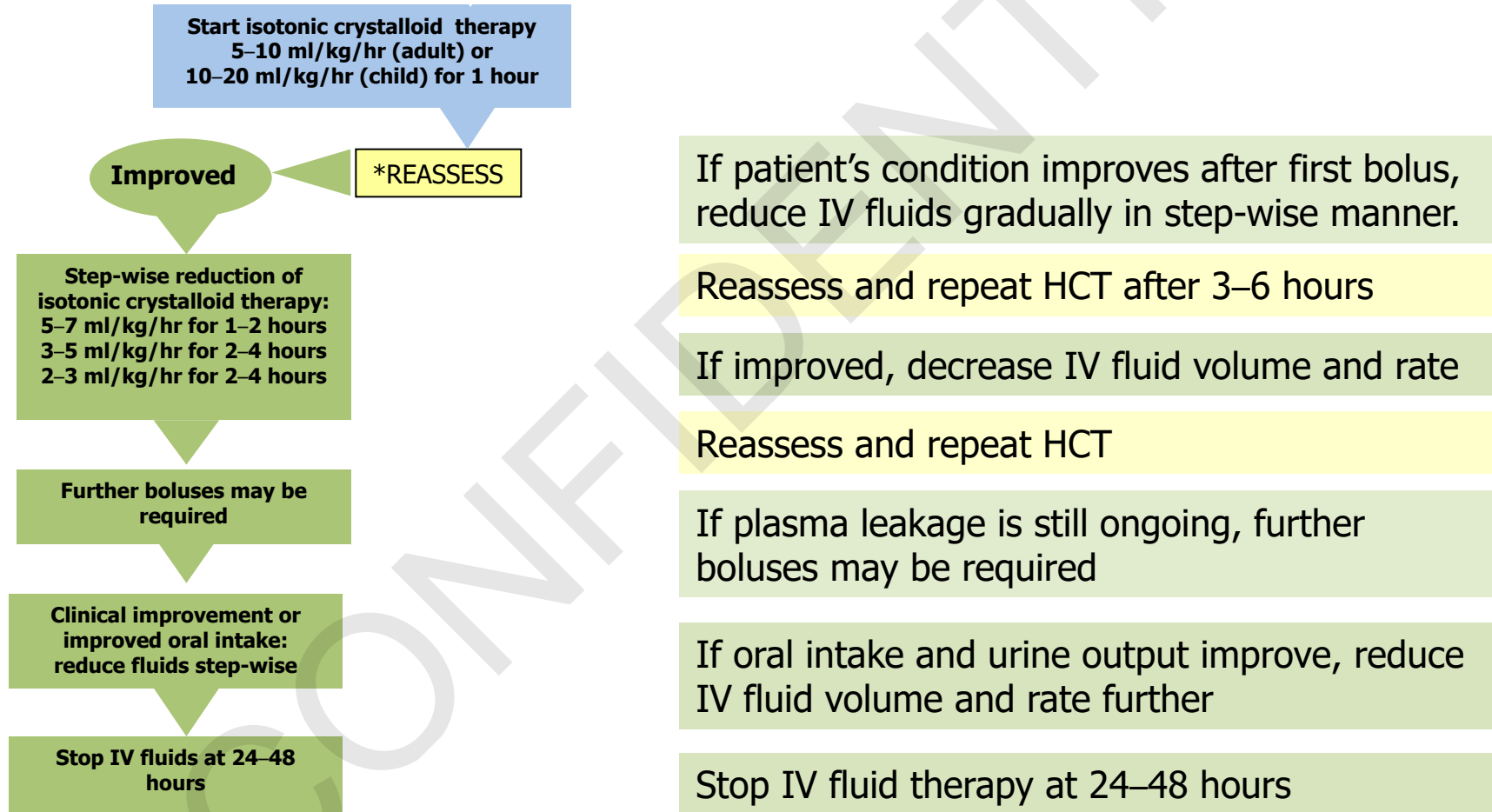
Decide if improved or not improved

* Reassess the patient’s clinical condition: vital signs, pulse volume, capillary refill time and temperature of extremities and decide on the situation.

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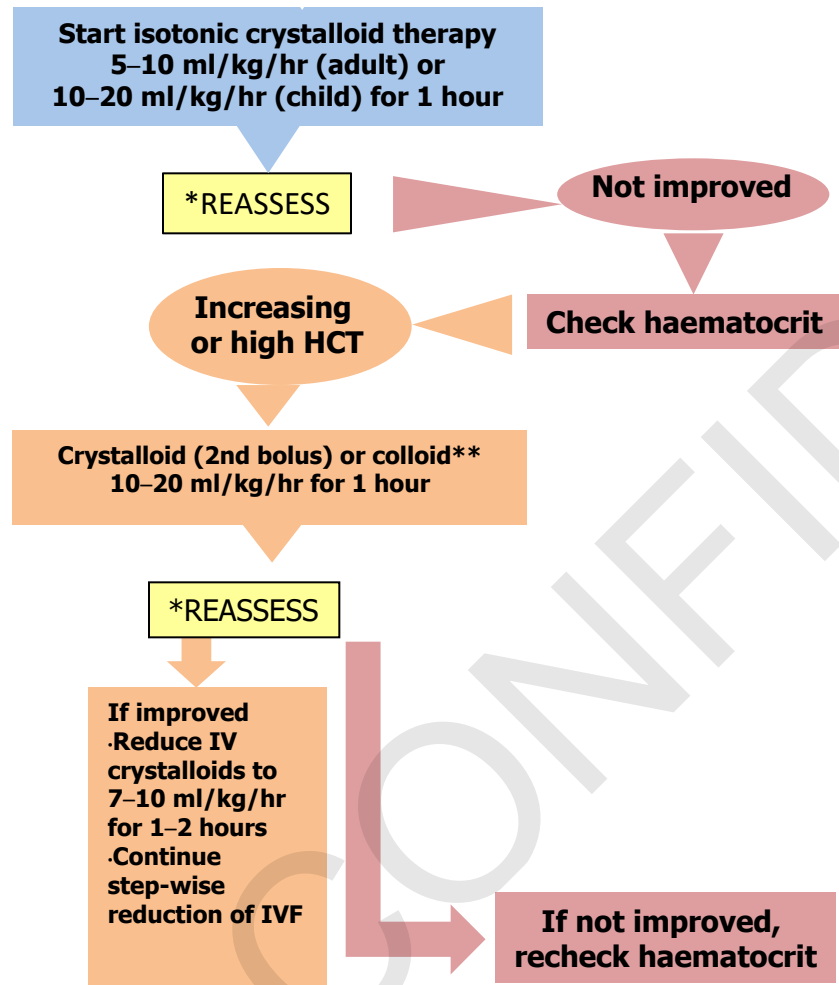
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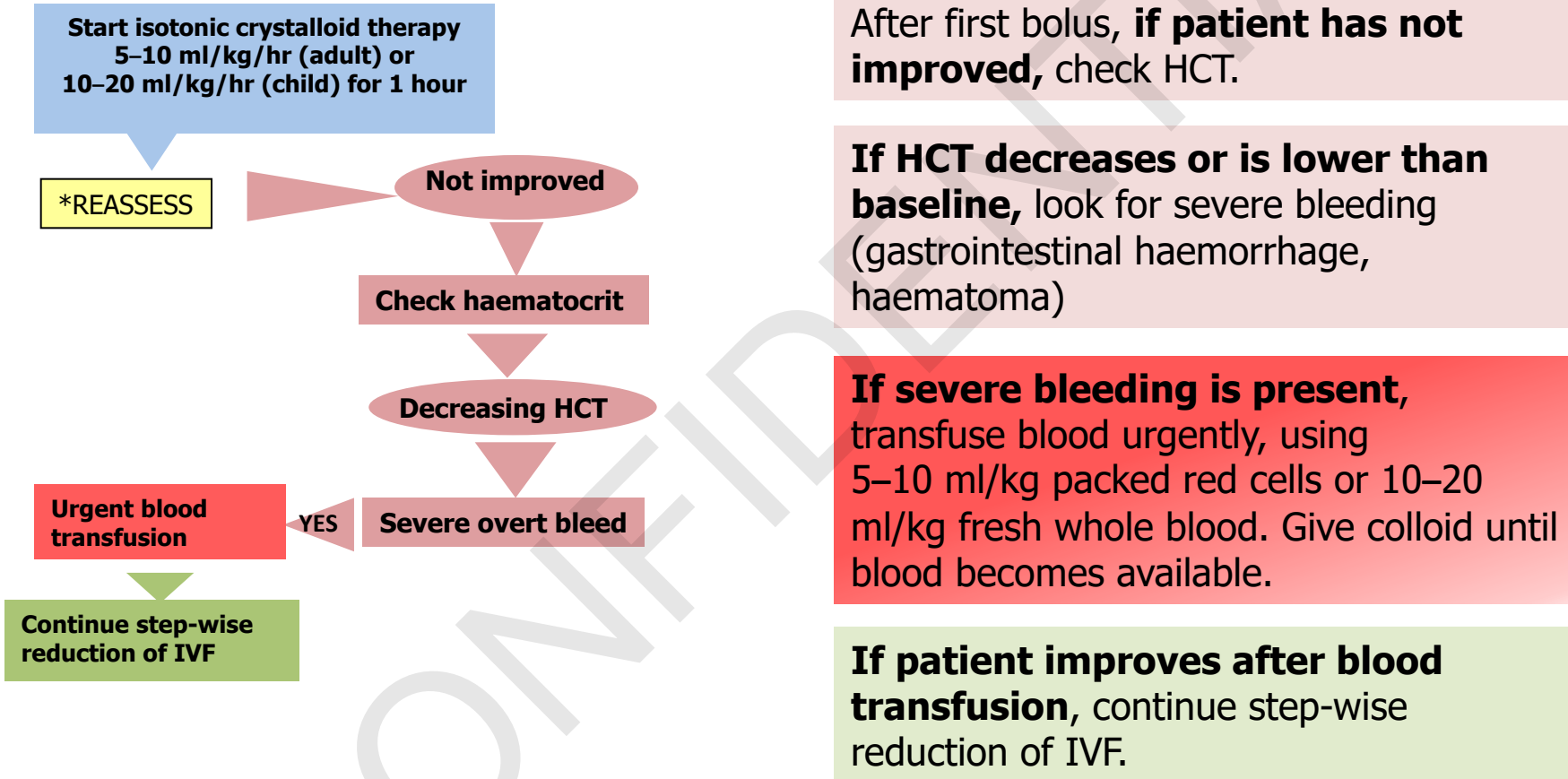
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If plasma leakage continues, further boluses may be required in the next 24-48 hours.

If not improved, recheck haematocrit

* Reassess the patient's clinical condition: vital signs, 5-in-1 magic touch, urine output; decide on the situation.

Group C: Emergency treatment – bleeding?

Compensated shock (systolic pressure maintained + reduced perfusion)



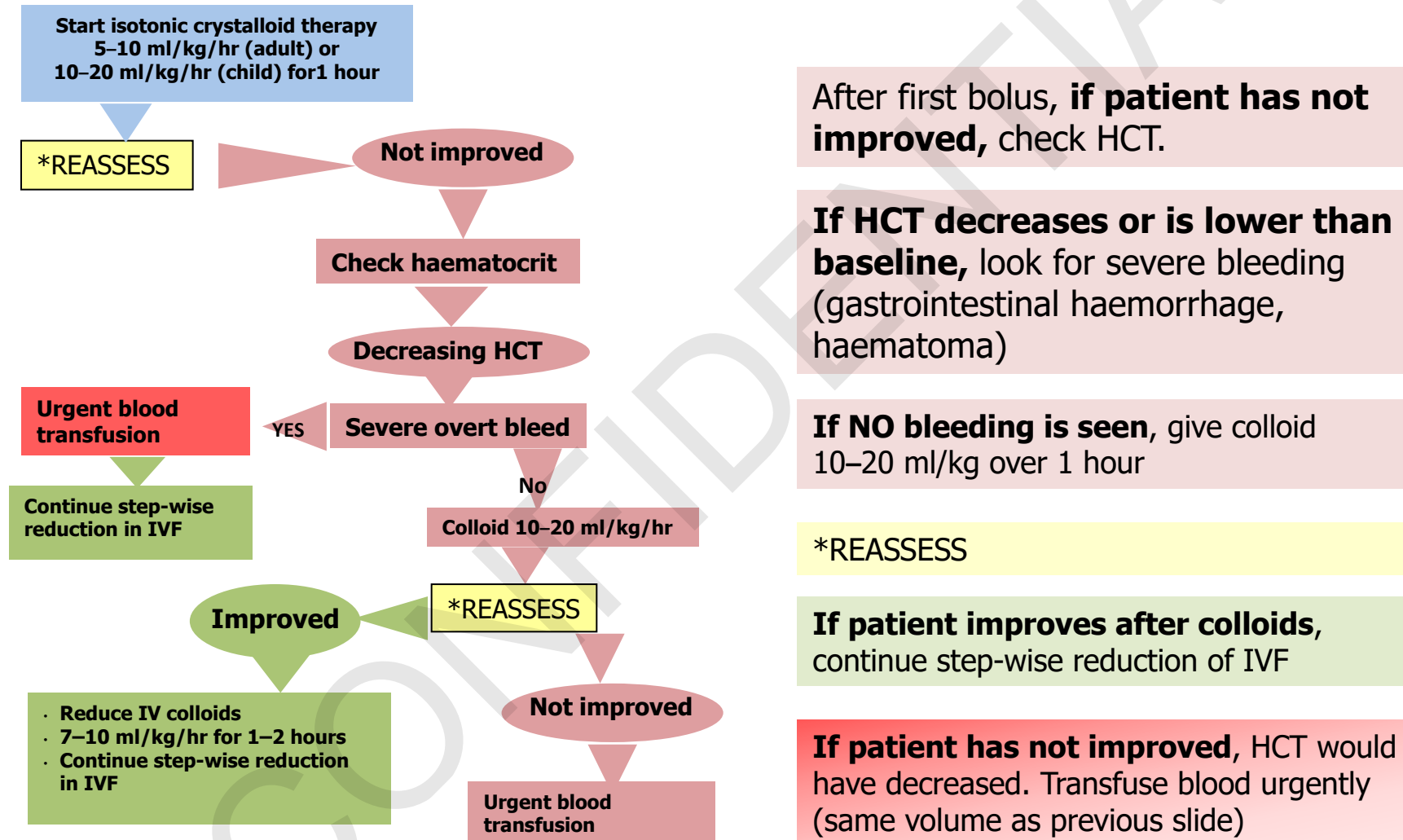
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IV: intravenous, HCT: hematocrit, IVF: intravenous fluids

Group C: Emergency treatment – bleeding? (cont.)

Compensated shock (systolic pressure maintained + reduced perfusion)

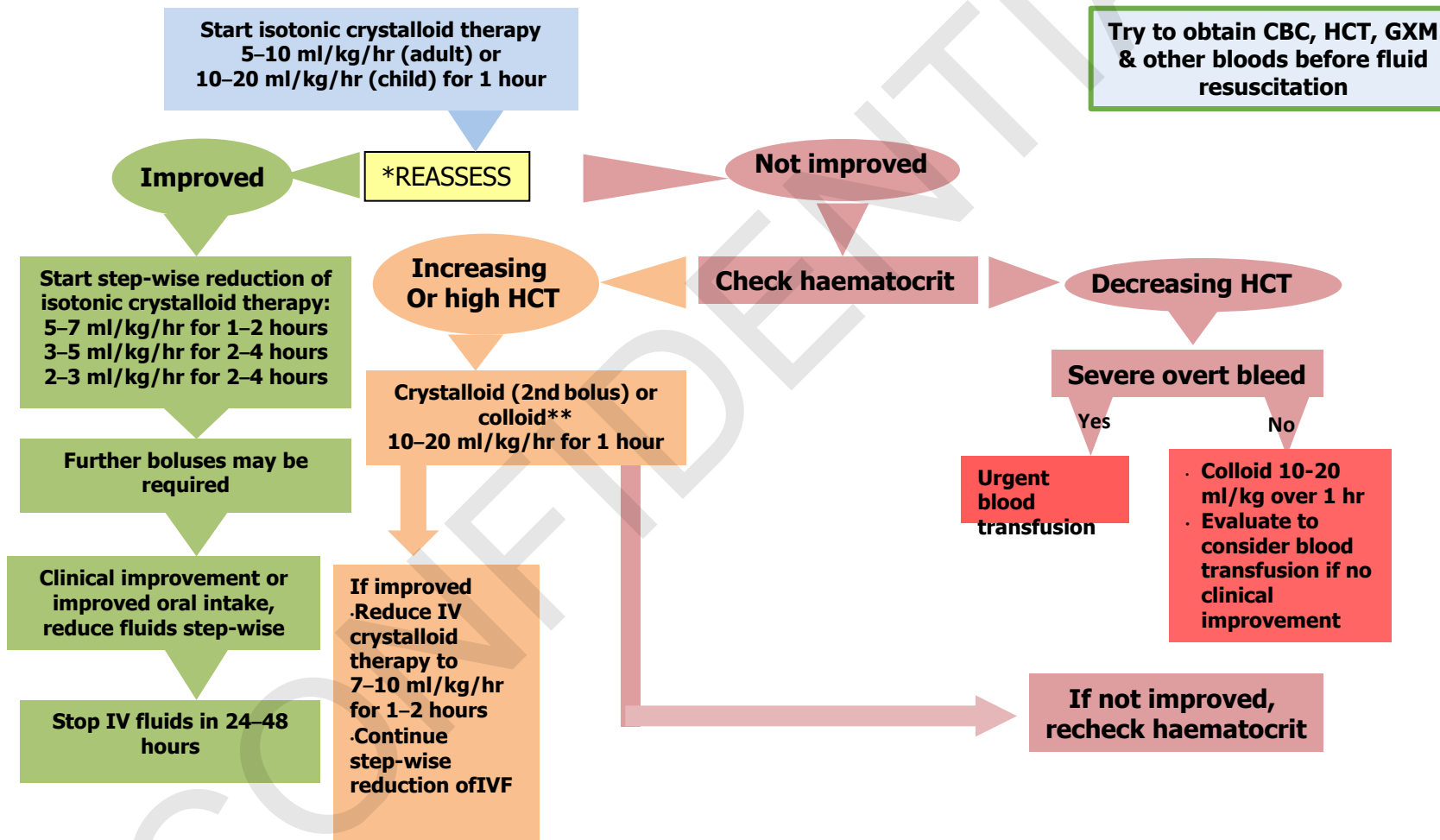


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Group C: Emergency treatment – Summary

Compensated shock (systolic pressure maintained + reduced perfusion)



* Reassess the patient's clinical condition: vital signs, peripheral perfusion - 5-in-1 magic touch, urine output; and decide on the situation.

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Haemodynamic assessment - continuum of haemodynamic changes

Parameters	Stable circulation	Compensated shock	Hypotensive shock
Conscious level	Clear and lucid	Clear and lucid	Restless, combative
Capillary refill time	Brisk (<2 sec)	Prolonged (>2 sec)	Very prolonged, mottled skin
Extremities	Warm and pink	Cool peripheries	Cold, clammy
Peripheral pulse volume	Good volume	Weak & thready	Feeble or absent
Heart rate (HR)	Normal HR for age	Tachycardia	Severe tachycardia or bradycardia in late shock
Blood pressure (BP)	Normal BP for age	Normal systolic pressure but rising diastolic pressure	Hypotension Unrecordable BP
Pulse pressure (PP)	Normal PP for age	Narrowing PP Postural hypotension	Narrowed pulse pressure (<20 mmHg)
Respiratory rate (RR)	Normal RR for age	"Quiet" Tachypnoea	Kussmaul breathing (Metabolic acidosis)
Urine output	Normal	Reducing trend	Oliguria or anuria

*Highlighted boxes are **early signs of shock**.

Group C: Emergency treatment Hypotensive shock

Patient **Try to obtain CBC, HCT, GXM & other blood readings before fluid resuscitation** a longer period and should be managed more vigorously.

Obtain reference blood readings for all shock patients before fluid therapy.

**Start isotonic crystalloid or colloid therapy
10–20 ml/kg (adult) or
20 ml/kg (child) over 15–30 minutes**

Initiate IV resuscitation with crystalloid (NS, LR) or colloid solution as a bolus given at:

- 20 ml/kg (child)
- 10–20 ml/kg (adult)

over 15–30 minutes to bring patient out of shock as quickly as possible.

***REASSESS**

Reassess:

- Vital signs
- Peripheral perfusion: 5-in-1
- Mental state
- Urine output

* Reassess the patient's clinical condition: vital signs, pulse volume, capillary refill time and temperature of extremities and decide on the situation.

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Group C: Emergency treatment

Hypotensive shock

If patient's condition improves after first bolus, give a crystalloid or colloid infusion of 10 ml/kg/hr for 1 hour.

*REASSESS

If patient continues to improve, continue with crystalloid and reduce IVF in step-wise manner

*REASSESS & repeat HCT after 2–4 hours

If improved, decrease IV rate every 2–4 hours

*REASSESS every 2–4 hours

On-going plasma leakage, further boluses required

Continue step-wise reduction if oral intake and urine output improve. Stop IVF at 24–48 hours.

Start isotonic crystalloid or colloid therapy
10–20 ml/kg (adult) or
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*REASSESS

Improved

IV crystalloid or colloid
10 ml/kg/hr for 1 hour

*REASSESS

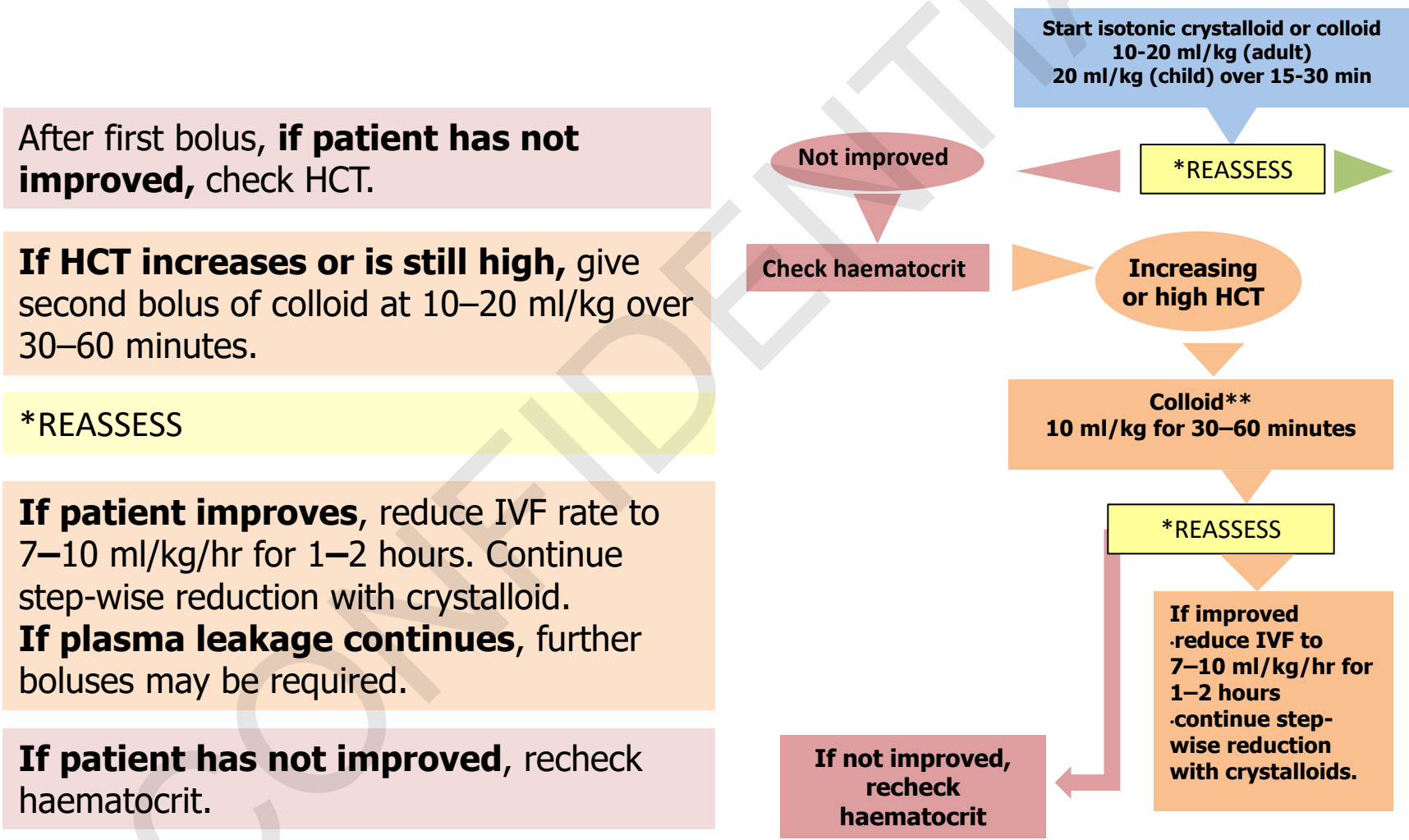
If improved, reduce IV
crystalloid, step-wise
5–7 ml/kg/hr for 1–2 hours
3–5 ml/kg/hr for 2–4 hours
2–3 ml/kg/hr for 2–4 hours

Further boluses may be required

If clinical improvement or
improved oral intake, reduce
fluids step-wise

Stop IV fluids at 24–48 hours

Group C: Emergency treatment Hypotensive shock



After first bolus, **if patient has not improved**, check HCT.

If HCT increases or is still high, give second bolus of colloid at 10–20 ml/kg over 30–60 minutes.

*REASSESS

If patient improves, reduce IVF rate to 7–10 ml/kg/hr for 1–2 hours. Continue step-wise reduction with crystalloid.
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If patient has not improved, recheck haematocrit.

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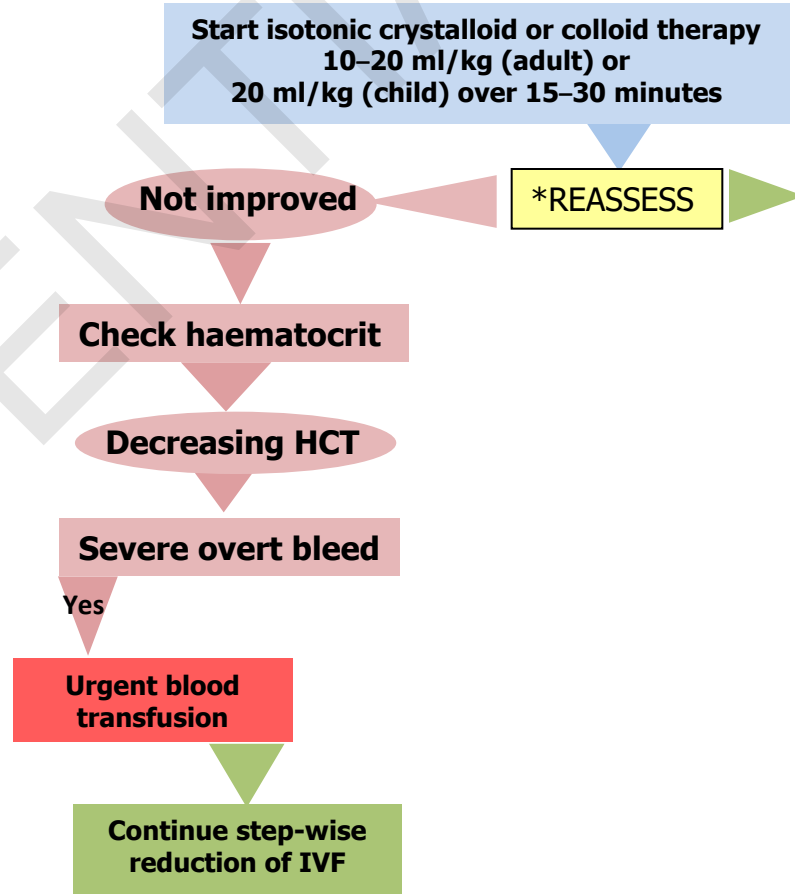
Hypotensive shock – bleeding?

After first bolus, **if patient has not improved**, check HCT.

If HCT decreases or is lower than baseline, look for severe bleeding (gastrointestinal haemorrhage, haematoma).

If severe is bleeding present, transfuse blood urgently, 5–10 ml/kg packed red cells or 10–20 fresh whole blood. Give colloid until blood is available.

If patient improves after blood transfusion, continue step-wise reduction of IVF.



* Reassess the patient’s clinical condition: vital signs, peripheral perfusion (CCTV-R) and urine output; decide on the situation.

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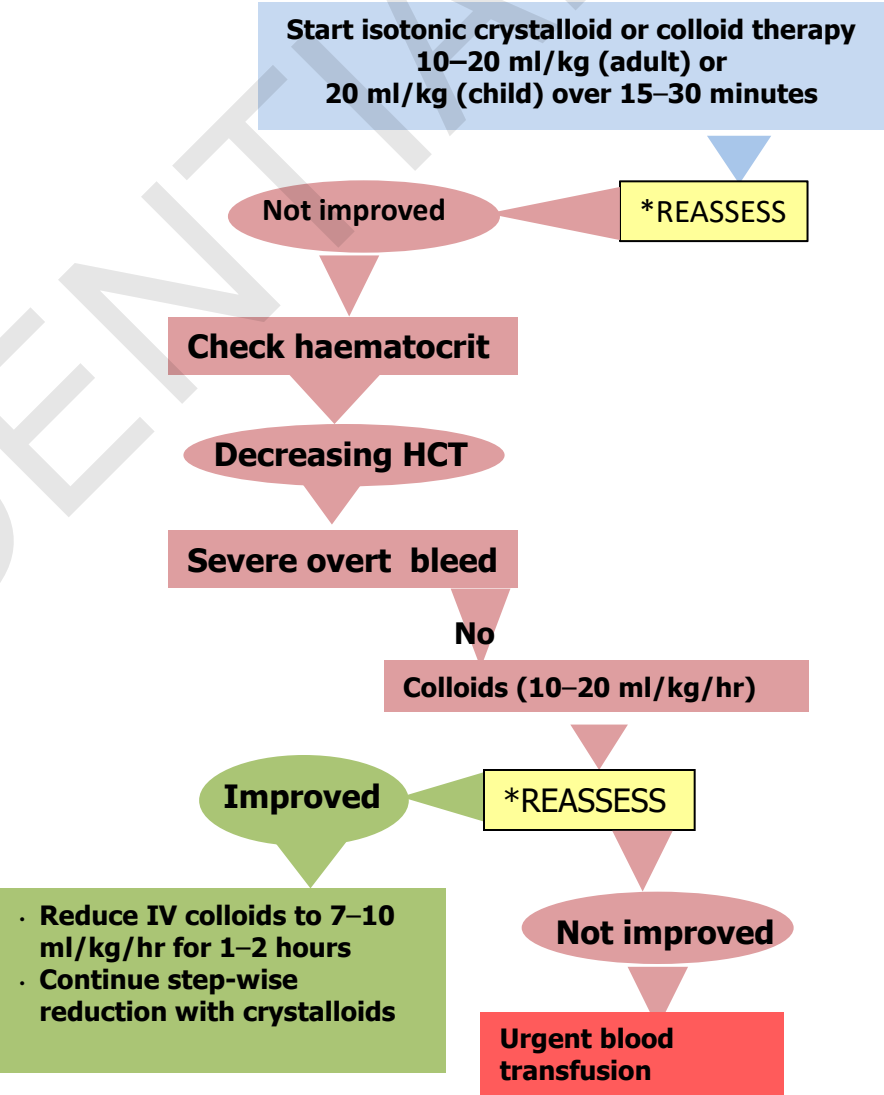
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If **NO** bleeding seen, give colloids (10–20 ml/kg)

***REASSESS**

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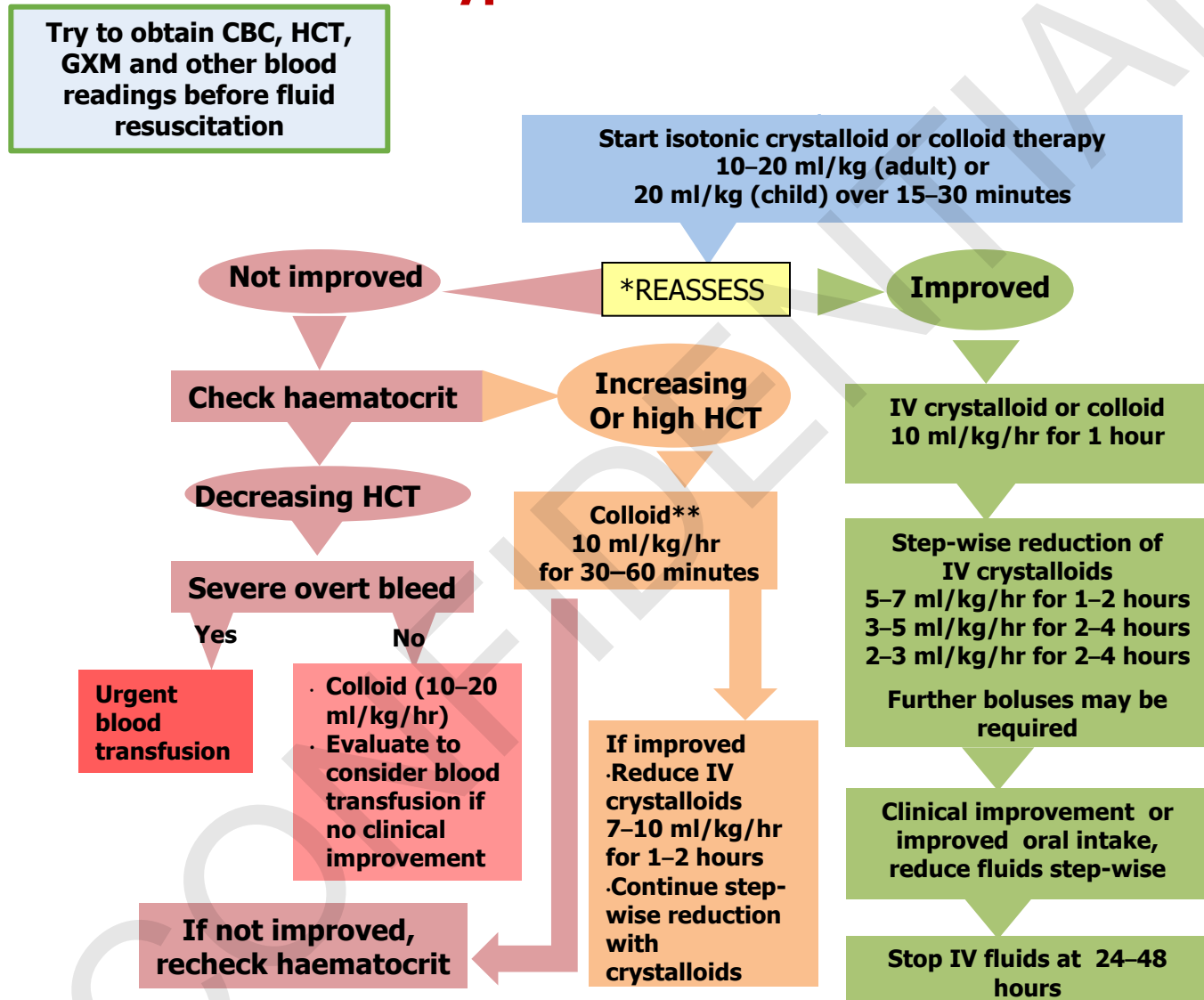
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Group C: Emergency treatment – Summary

Hypotensive shock

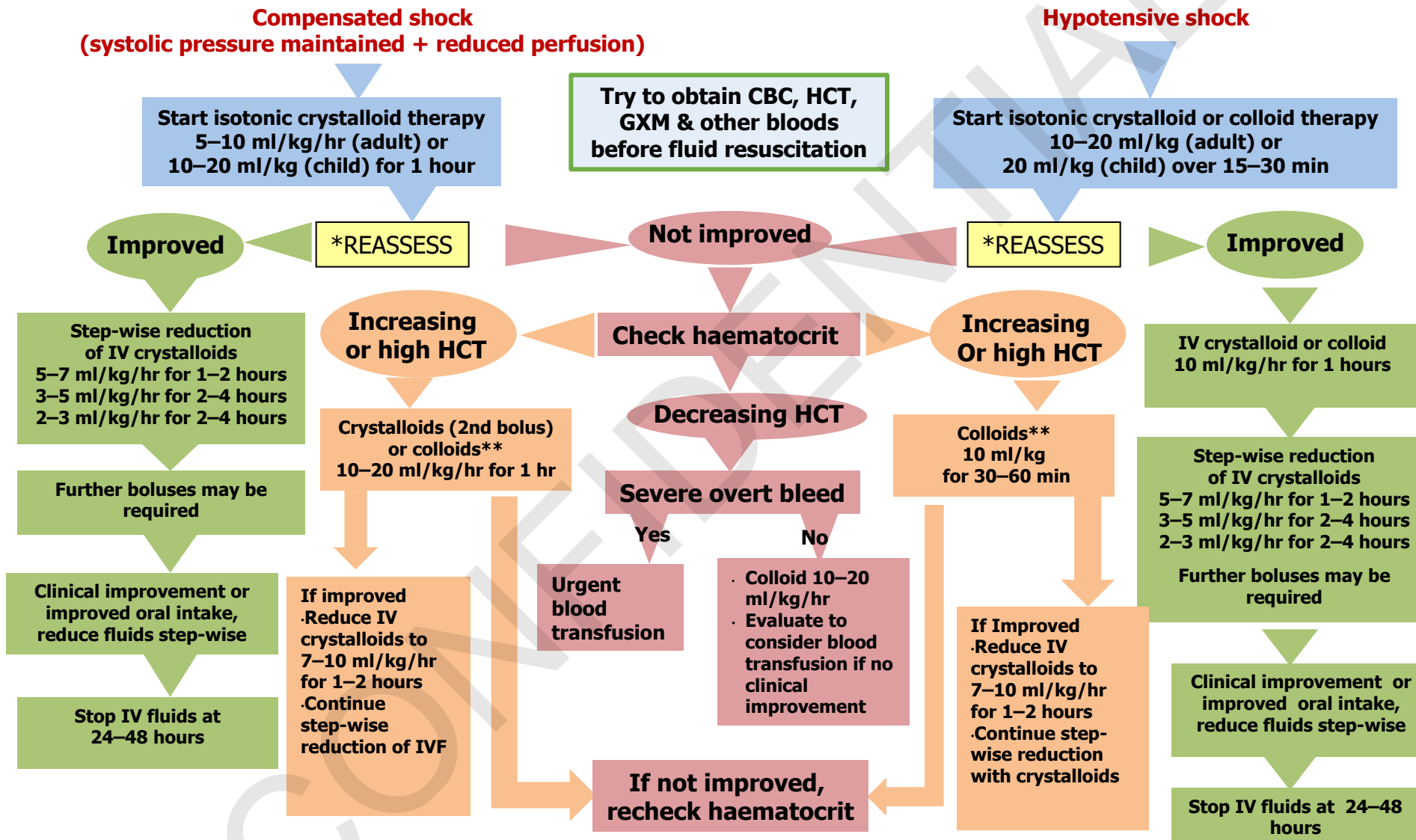


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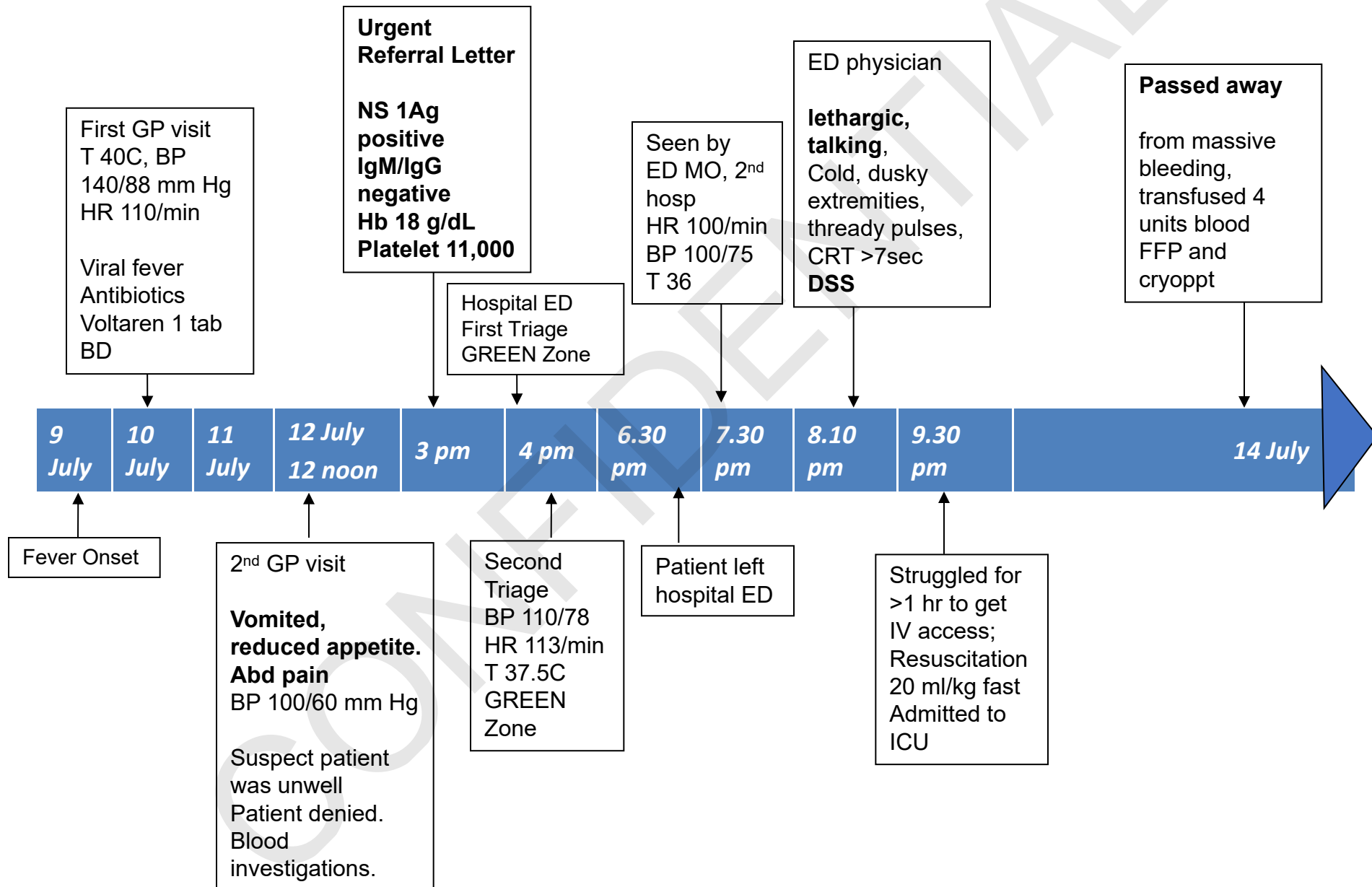
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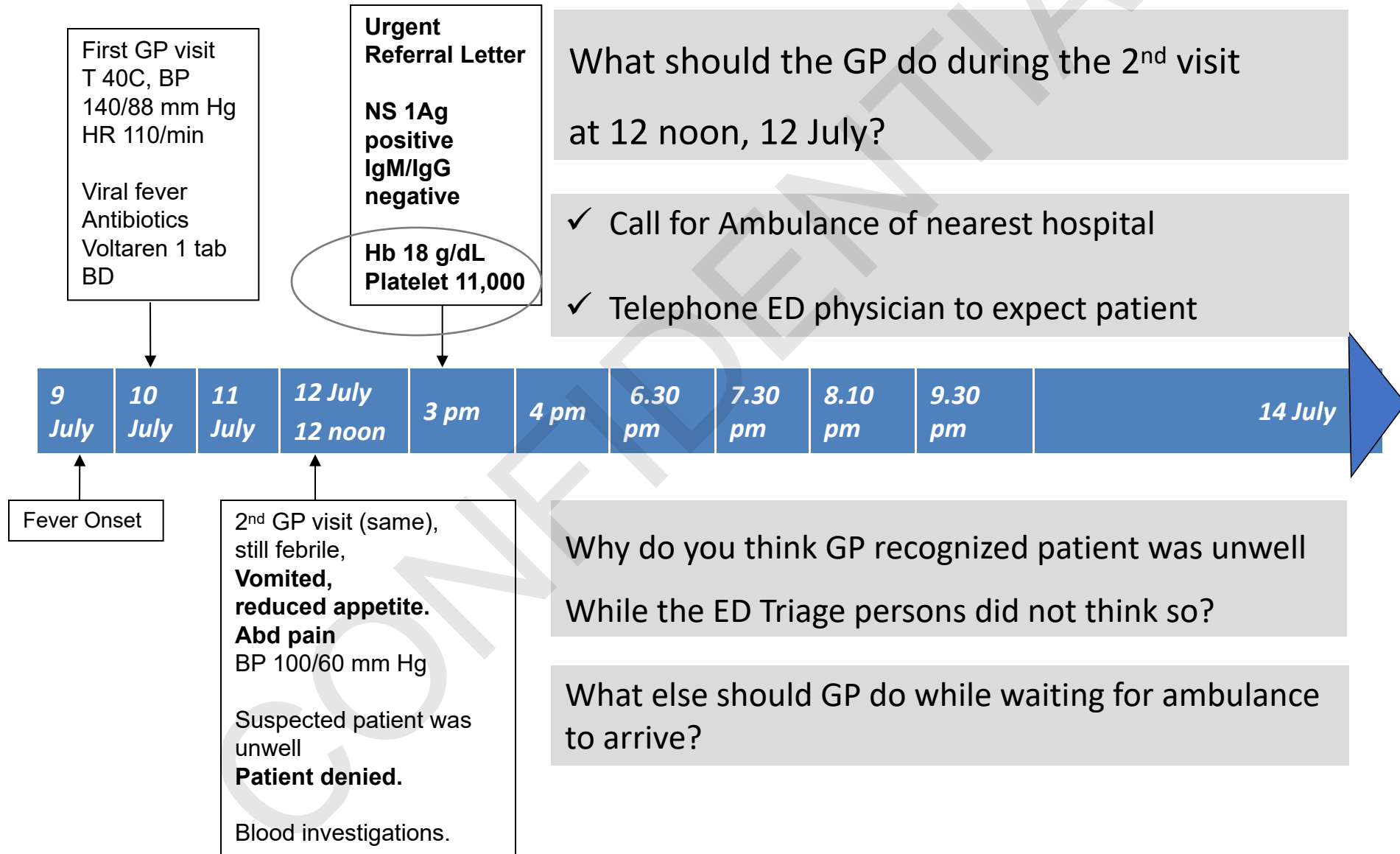


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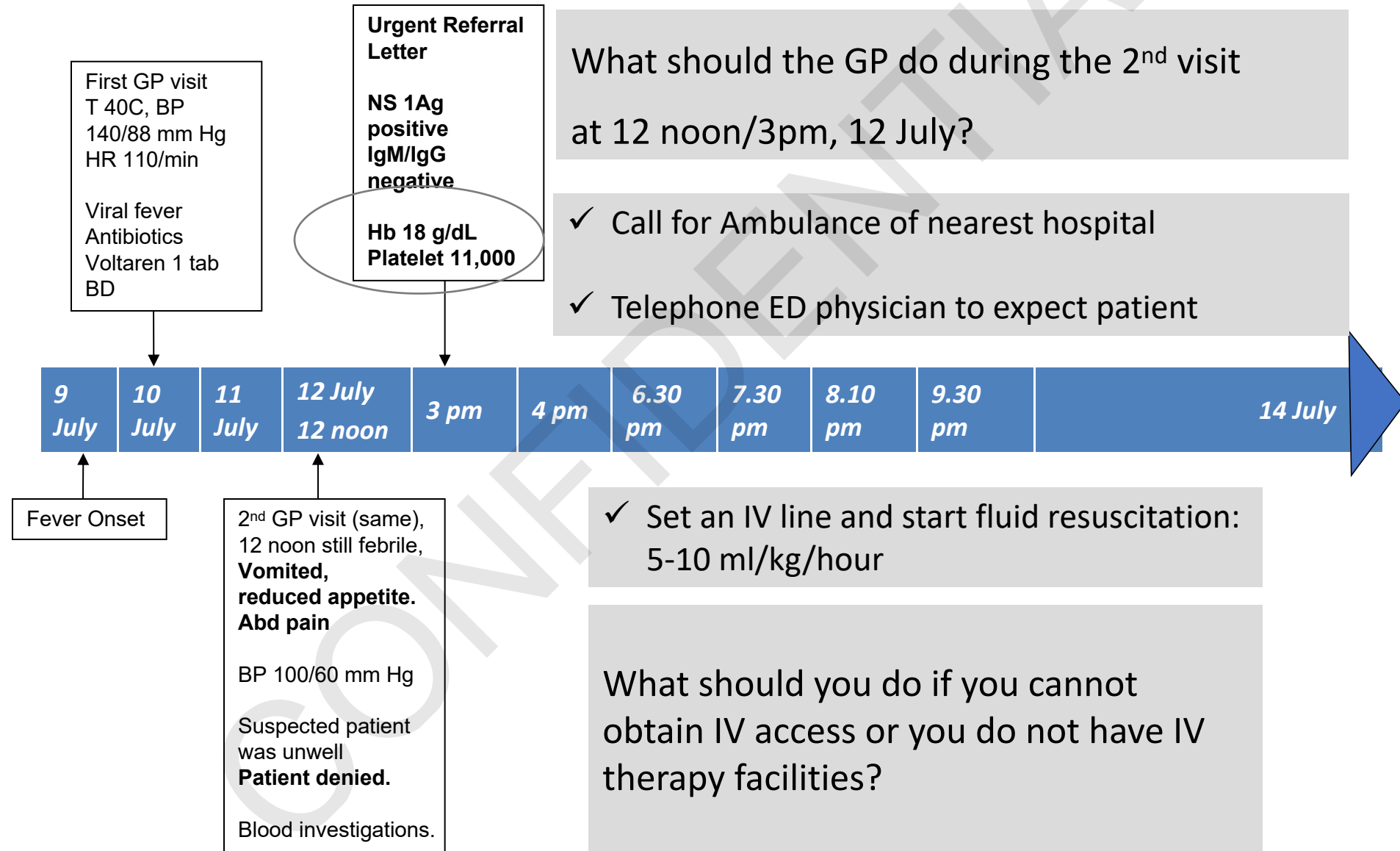
Case Timeline



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Case discussion 2

Case study – 33-year-old, male

- No co-morbid conditions
- First GP visit:
 - Fever x 3 days
- Abdominal pain started that morning, recurrent vomiting, unable to tolerate orally
- Alert but lethargic
- Temp 38.5°C
- BP 110/70 mmHg
- HR 90/min
- Dehydration status: mild
- Lungs normal.
- Abd soft. Non tender. Hyperactive BS
- Provisional diagnosis:
 - AGE with dehydration
 - Dengue
- Management – IV Fluids
- FBC
- Referral letter
- **HCT 58, PLT ~120**

Case study – 33 year old, male, Day 4 of fever

- Brought in by brother next day – NO Referral letter
- Not responsive to call/stimulus
- Rapid shallow breathing
- CRT prolonged ~4 secs, cold peripheries, very poor pulse volume
- Radial pulse rate ~120 beats per minute manually
- CVS: S1+S2 no murmur
- Lungs: Clear
- Abdomen: soft non tender, no organomegaly
- No bleeding noted
- Pupils 4 mm bilaterally and reactive

Initial vital signs

- 1530H:
 - Temp: 36.5°C
 - HR : 115 bpm
 - BP on monitor not recordable
- 1545H:
 - HR: 115 bpm
 - BP: 68/44 mmHg
 - Sat 100% (15 L/min non-re-breathable mask)
 - RR 40/min

Severe dengue in decompensated shock

Immediate Management (1530H – 1545H)

- Placed patient on 15 L/min oxygen via HFM
- 2 large bore IV access (difficulty getting 2nd IV access)
 - VBG
 - Reflo
 - **FBC/INR/RP/LFT/CE**
 - **GXM whole blood**
 - **Dengue NS1**
- **20 ml/kg bolus of NS 15-30 minutes (est weight: 80 kg)**
- Insert CBD with strict IO charting
- Continuous vital monitoring
- **Rpt FBC/VBG/lactate after the first bolus**

Bedside Investigation (1530- 1545H)

- Reflo: 8.8
- Bedside ultrasound:
 - Echo on subcostal 4 chamber view: hyperdynamic,
 - **small LV – walls kissing with contraction**
 - **IVC: fully collapsed (kissing)**
 - Lung: no pleural effusion
 - Abdomen: no free fluid
- ECG: sinus tachycardia
- VBG (pre-bolus):
 - **pH 7.02 pCO₂ 32.9 pO₂ 43.9 HCO₃ 8.6 BE -20.4**
 - **Hb 18.7 Hct 58**

TIME	1545	1600	1615	1630	1645	1700	1715	1730
BP	68/44	86/46	95/69	83/42	93/47	113/57	109/52	91/50
HR	115	115	110	108	106	102	102	110
RR	40				25			
Sat	100				100			
Fluids:	20 ml/kg bolus NS (total 1.5L)			20 ml/kg bolus - 2 NS + 1 gelafundin (1.5L)				
Urine output (total)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100 ml

Reassessment (1630H -retrospective entry at 1645H)

- Patient progressively becoming more alert
 - E3 V2 M5 → E4 V4 M5
 - CRT ~ 2 secs, less cold peripheries but still very poor pulse volume
 - Lungs were clear
 - Abdomen was soft non tender
 - BP 93/47 HR 105
 - Urine output: NIL

Repeated ABG after the first bolus:

- pH 7.07 pCO₂ 12 pO₂ 247 HCO₃ 7.6 BE -24.5
- **Hb 15.3 (decr from 18) Hct 46.8 (decr from 57.7)**
- **Lactate decreased from 20 to 17 mmol/L**

Impression:

- After 20 ml/kg x 1 bolus, **HCT decreased from 58 to 46**, but still poor perfusion; Clinically cap refill time still prolonged, cold peripheries, thready poor pulse volume
- Severe Dengue in decompensated shock with plasma leakage
- **PLUS OCCULT BLEEDING**
- Bedside Ultrasound:
 - Echo – LV wall still kissing with contraction
 - IVC – still fully collapsed – kissing walls

- Called lab – request for NS1 to be read urgently
- **Called blood bank** – GXM 4 pints blood – get 2 pints - available in 30 mins
- Referral to medical team (1610H)
- Referral anaesthesia team (1630H)

TIME	1753	1800	1815	1830
BP	91/50	105/66	110/71	126/68
HR	114	115	117	114
RR	20			20
Sat	100%			100
Fluids:	Completed blood transfusion @ 1830H (504 ml + 411 ml)			
Urine output (total)	400 ml			1100 ml

@1837H

- Reassessed patient – **just completed blood transfusion**
 - Alert
 - CRT =2 , less cool peripheries **Pulse volume improved but still thready**
 - Lungs clear
 - Abdomen Soft non tender

MEDICAL REVIEW:

To **consider Septicemic shock** and reduce IVF normal saline to 5 ml/kg, then 3 ml/Kg

Informed by staff nurse patient can be sent up to ICU → to send now

Impression @ ICU @19:30 pm

- Severe dengue D4 of illness with decompensated shock
- AKI with severe lactic acidosis
- **Suspected occult bleeding**
- Lungs clear RR 20-24 on NPO2 3L/min
- Abdomen: soft non tender
- Bedside ECHO: IVC collapsing, LV under-filled with good contractility, no pleural effusion

Examination in ICU @ 7.30 pm

- GCS Full
- HR 123 pulse volume low, peripheries coolish, CRT 3s
- **BP 86/61 (NIBP) unsupported**
- **MX:**
- Increase IVD normal saline 7cc/kg/hr for 2 hours—BP 103/82
- IVD NS 5cc/kg/hr
- Cont IV ceftriaxone 2g OD

Patient improved after blood transfusion (ended at 6:30 pm) and that after reducing IV fluids, hemodynamics became unstable which means this is on-going plasma leakage ± severe bleeding

Blood gases in ICU

malena Post intubation

	2025	2325	0210	0407	0430	0513
pH	7.37	7.39	7.36	7.08	7.15	7.13
pCO ₂	21	16	20	36	38	47
pO ₂	101	77	265	184	176	98
HCO ₃	16.1	14.7	15.0	10.8	13.1	14.4
BE	-12.3	-14.5	-13.2	-17.5	-14.2	-12.2
Lact	3.6	4.3	4.9	9.7	9.1	9.3
Glu	6.7	9.1				
Hb	16.7	14.5	11.9	7.1	6.5	7.0
Hct	51	44	36	22	20	21

Dengue mortality – Lessons learnt

- Wide spectrum of clinical manifestation – Dengue shock a dynamic phenomenon
- Dengue Shock: Minute-to-minute evaluation and decision-making to achieve and then maintain hemodynamic equilibrium
- **Handover from one team to another, across departments:**
Gaps in continuity of care - Change of work shift, on-call team
- Instructions have to be clear – that bleeding is suspected, how much blood left in blood bank, etc; when is next review, etc

Step-wise Clinical Evaluation

1. Other illnesses such as Diabetes mellitus, Hypertension, etc?
2. Phase of dengue (viremic / plasma leakage / reabsorption)?
3. How much was he able to drink, what fluid? Urine volume, colour?
4. Warning signs resolved?
5. Haemodynamic response to IV fluid therapy? Urine output in the last few hours?
6. Still stable after step-wise reduction in IVF? – Urine output?
7. Cumulative fluid balance: Size of pleural effusion/ascites? Effect on breathing?
8. Liver size?
9. Check Electrolytes – sodium and potassium
10. When is next review – clinical review or review of hematocrit?

Thank you

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End of Training Discussion

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Now that you have completed today's training, in your groups of 5-10 people, please list down the following:

- What are the measures that you think you would be able to practice in your workplace to improve management of dengue patients at the frontline?
- We will now go round the room and get each group to present 1 suggestion at a time

List of actionable things that you would like to do:

- From this list, rank the top 3 items

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For the top 3 items

- Let's discuss the barriers of carrying this out. Are there any?
- How do we overcome these barriers?

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Case Studies

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- first slide – introduction – demographic, and past history and history of present illness

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- slide 2 – physical findings, investigation results

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- Slide 3 – 5 – Discuss management – Home or Referral or Emergency

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- Last one or two slides – summary and learning points.

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