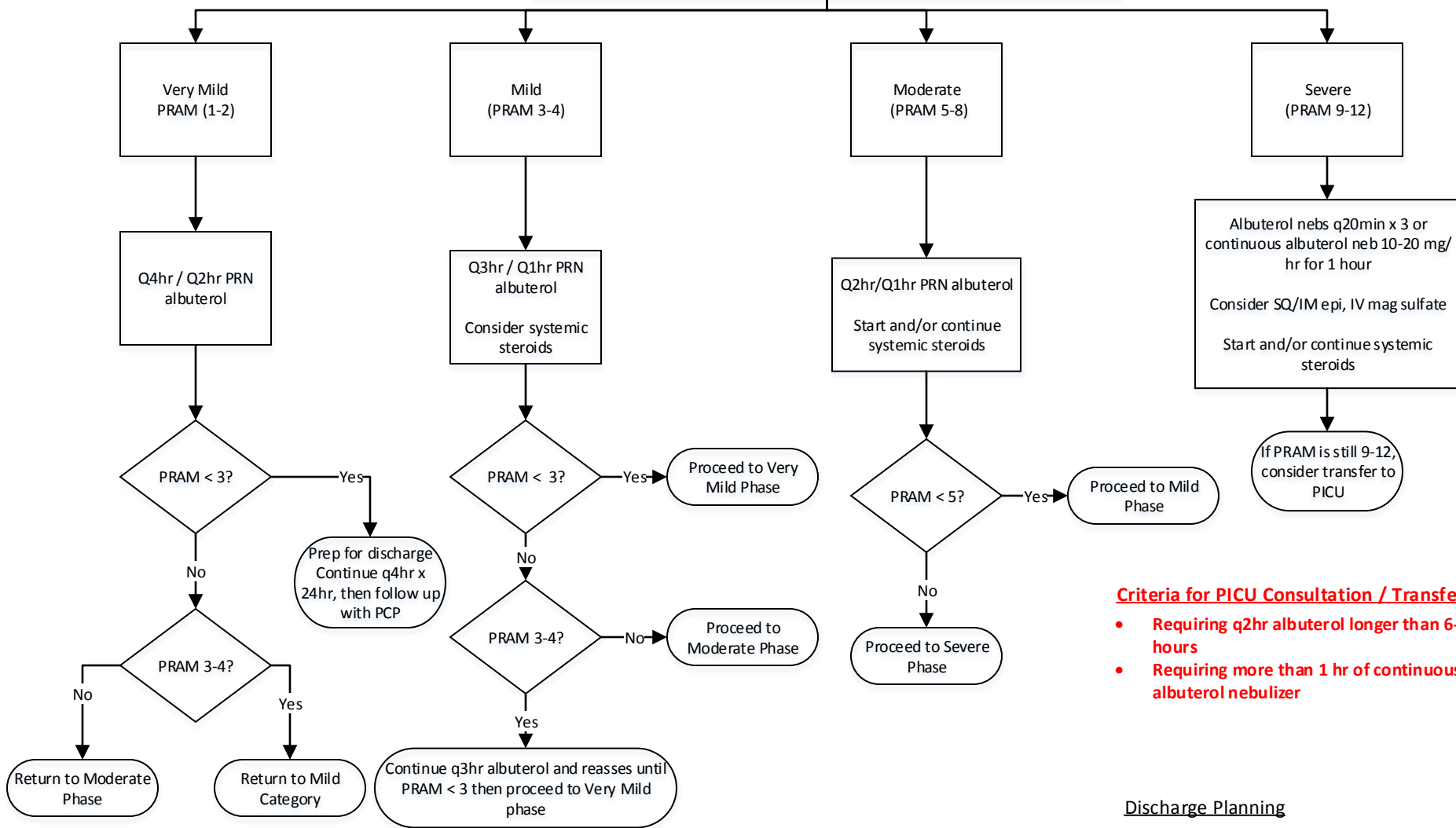


Initial treatment (if not already done in ED / Urgent Care):

- 3 inhaled bronchodilator treatments q20min or 1 continuous nebulizer for 1 hour (See Ambulatory algorithms for details)
 - Obtain PRAM Score, proceed to algorithm below
 - Give supplemental O2 if O2sat < 90%



Criteria for PICU Consultation / Transfer

- Requiring q2hr albuterol longer than 6-8 hours
- Requiring more than 1 hr of continuous albuterol nebulizer

Discharge Planning

Albuterol Dosing

- For <20kg, give 2.5mg neb / 4 puffs
- For ≥ 20kg, give 5mg neb / 8 puffs

Atrovent / Ipratropium Dosing

- 500mcg (0.5mg) neb

Discharge Criteria

- Must be off oxygen for at least 4 hours
- Tolerating PO without difficulty
- Not requiring albuterol more than every 3-4 hours

Additional Items for Discharge

- Initiation of maintenance therapy if meets criteria
- Completion of asthma action plan
- Asthma teaching with promotion of spacer / mask