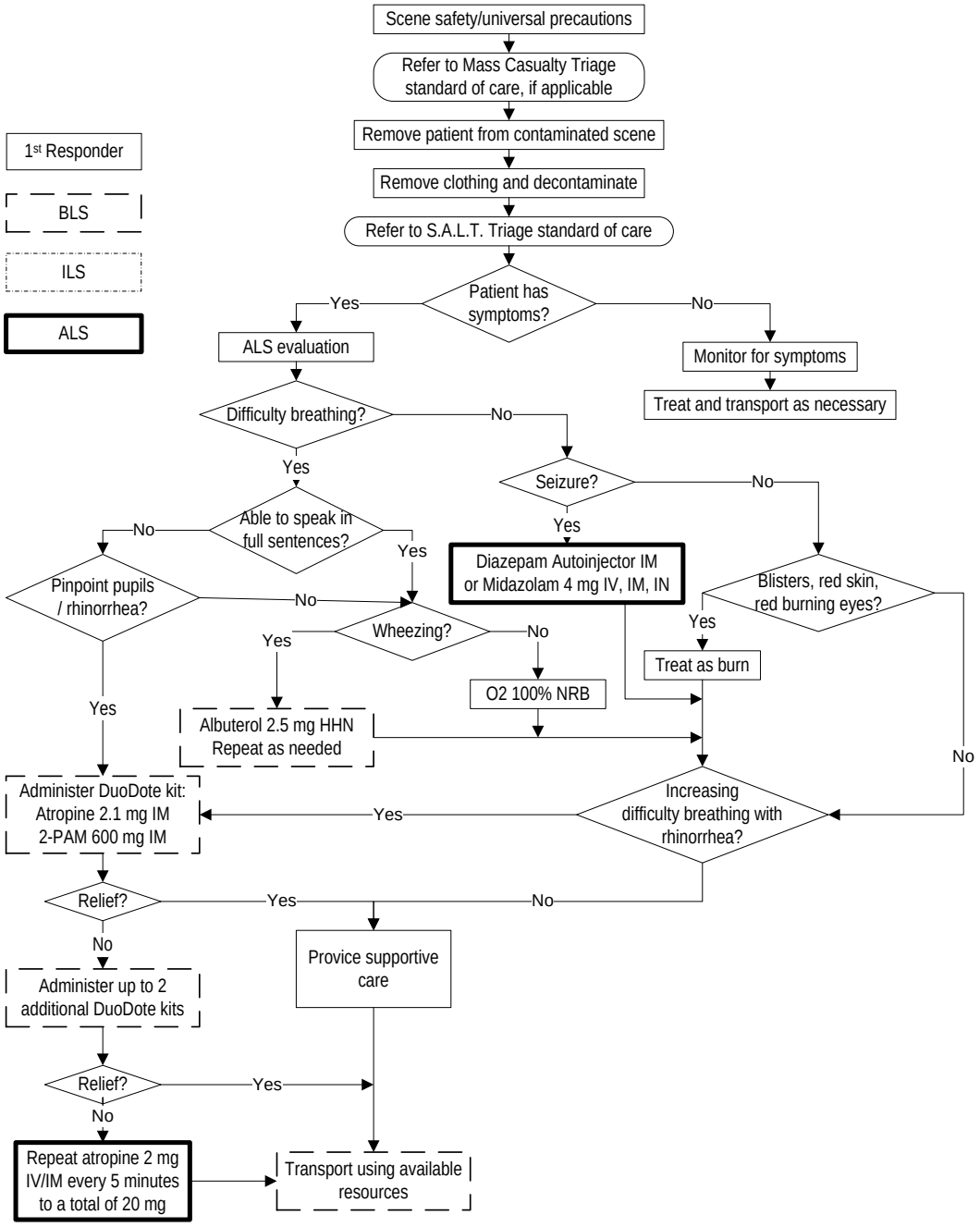
Toxins & Environmental: CHEMICAL EXPOSURE: Medical Protocol

This is intended to be used only in cases of possible exposure to nerve agents or other organophosphates (e.g. insecticides).



Signs/Symptoms
Salivation (drooling)
Lacrimation (tearing)
Urination
Defecation (diarrhea)
Generalized twitching/seizures
Emesis (vomiting)
Miosis (pinpoint pupils)

NOTES:

- . If symptoms of SLUDGEM appear, the first step is to remove the patient from the contaminated area as quickly as possible. This is often the only treatment needed.
- If vapor exposure alone, no need for skin decontamination.
- Administration of atropine is indicated only if there is an increasing difficulty breathing (inability to speak in full sentences) and rhinorrhea. If miosis alone, do not administer atropine.
- A total of three DuoDote kits may be administered to a single patient.
- Premature administration of the DuoDote kit poses a higher risk of death due to atropine-induced MI
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