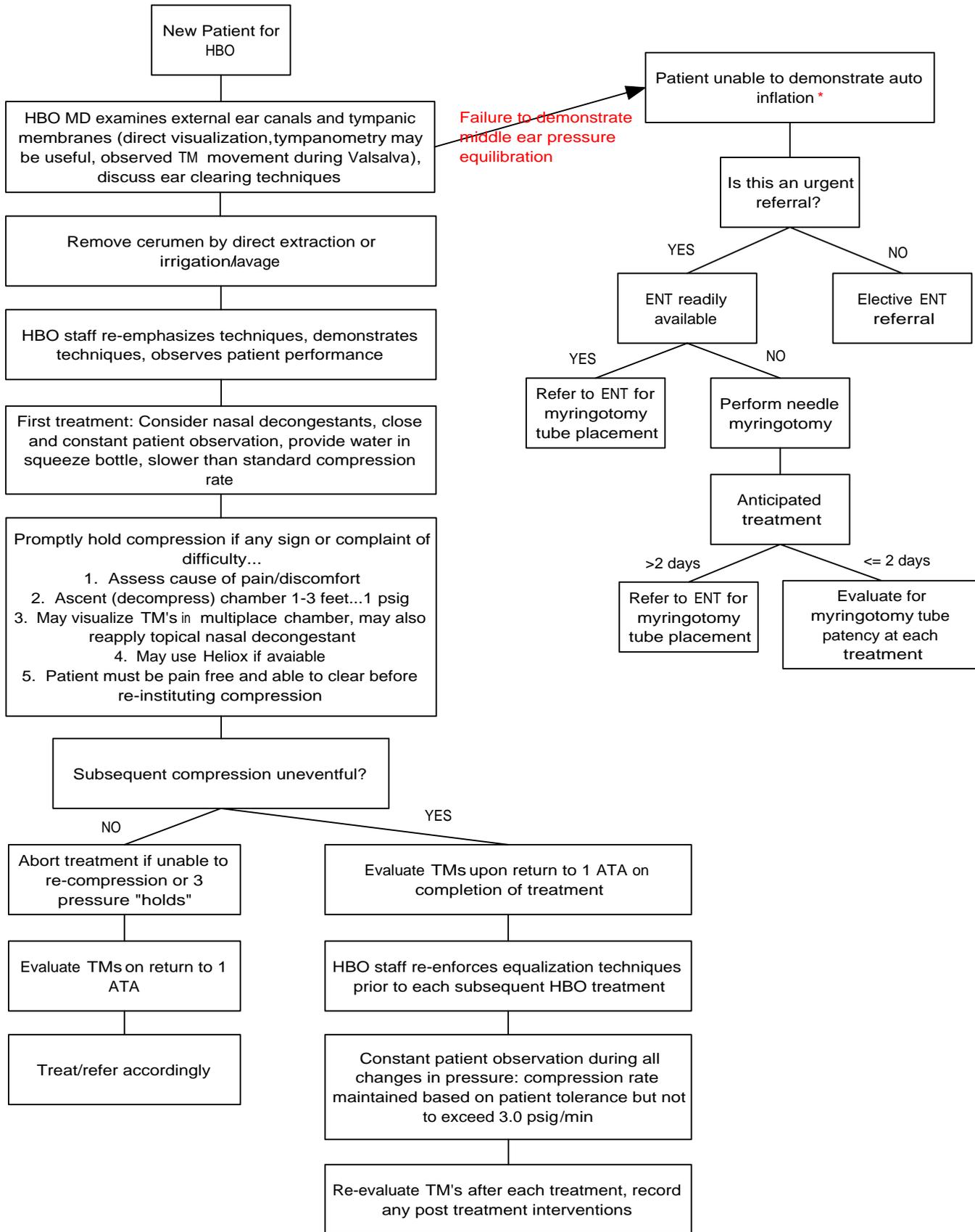


Middle Ear Barotrauma and Tympanic Membrane Evaluation and Management
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Failure to demonstrate middle ear pressure equilibration

* Unconscious patient, intubated, ventilated, sedated patient with flaccid paralysis will likely have no significantly increased risk for middle ear barotrauma with HBO...if patient going to OR prior to HBO and any question, have ENT place myringotomy tubes at time of primary surgical procedure.