



Wounds

A CARE PROTOCOL FOR TRAUMATIC WOUND MANAGEMENT

The Practitioner may: Assess, treat and discharge Arrange a review or referral

HIGH RISK PATIENTS

- Alcohol/Drugs
- Immunocompromised
- Diabetic
- Taking Warfarin
- Taking Steroids
- Neurovascular problems
- Autoimmune problems
- Children and Elderly
- Mental Health problems
- Learning difficulties
- Medical/Legal concerns (eg: assault or non accidental injury)

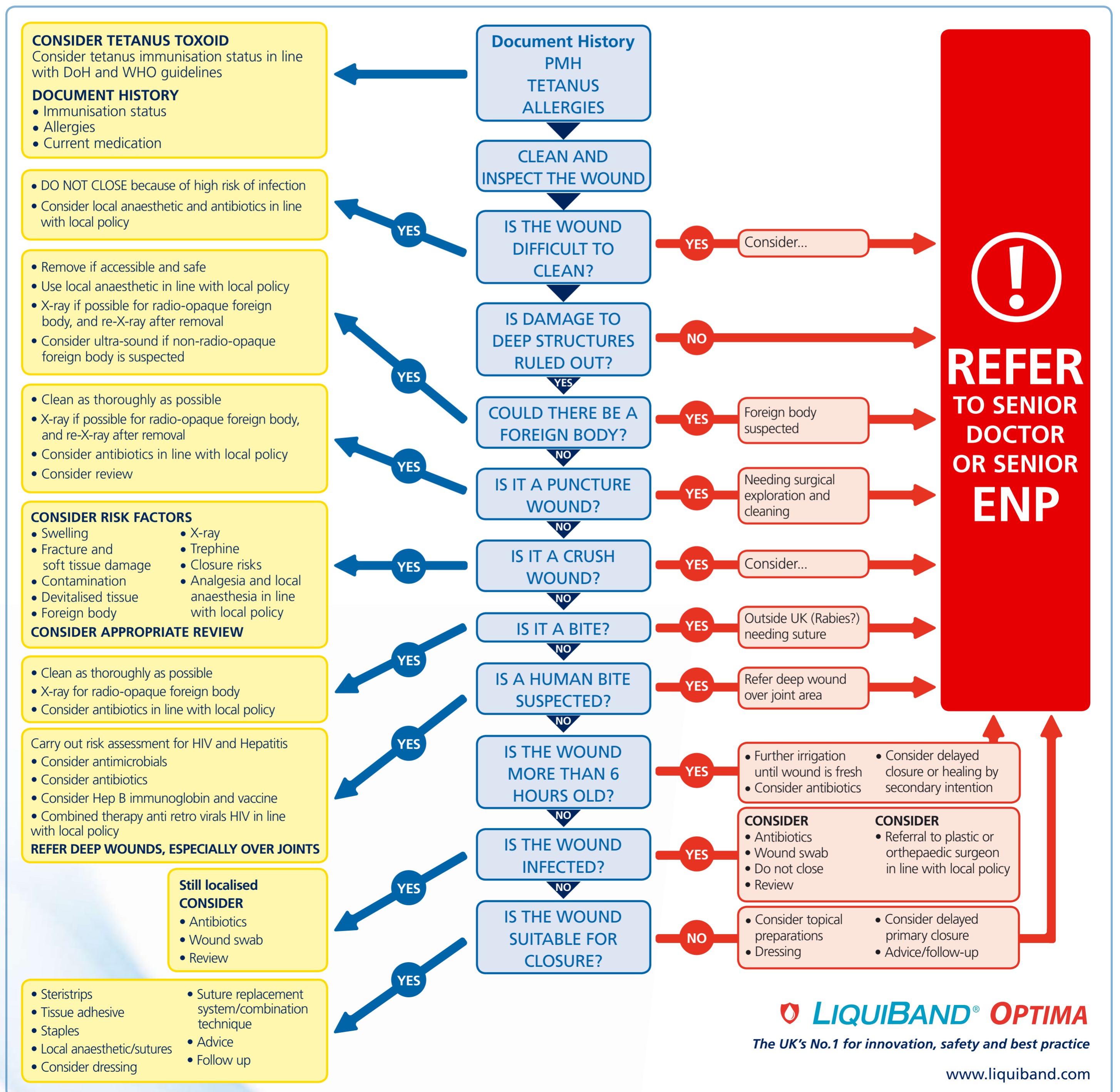
CONSIDER NEED FOR REFERRAL OR REVIEW

HIGH PRESSURE INJECTION WOUND
Assess sensation, circulation and movement
URGENT ORTHOPAEDIC/ PLASTICS REFERRAL in line with local policy

CAUTION Special wound sites

- Over joints
- On the head
- On the face
- On the neck
- On the trunk
- On the genitalia

REFER TO DOCTOR ON SUSPICION OF DAMAGE TO VITAL STRUCTURES OR FOR COSMETIC REASONS



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