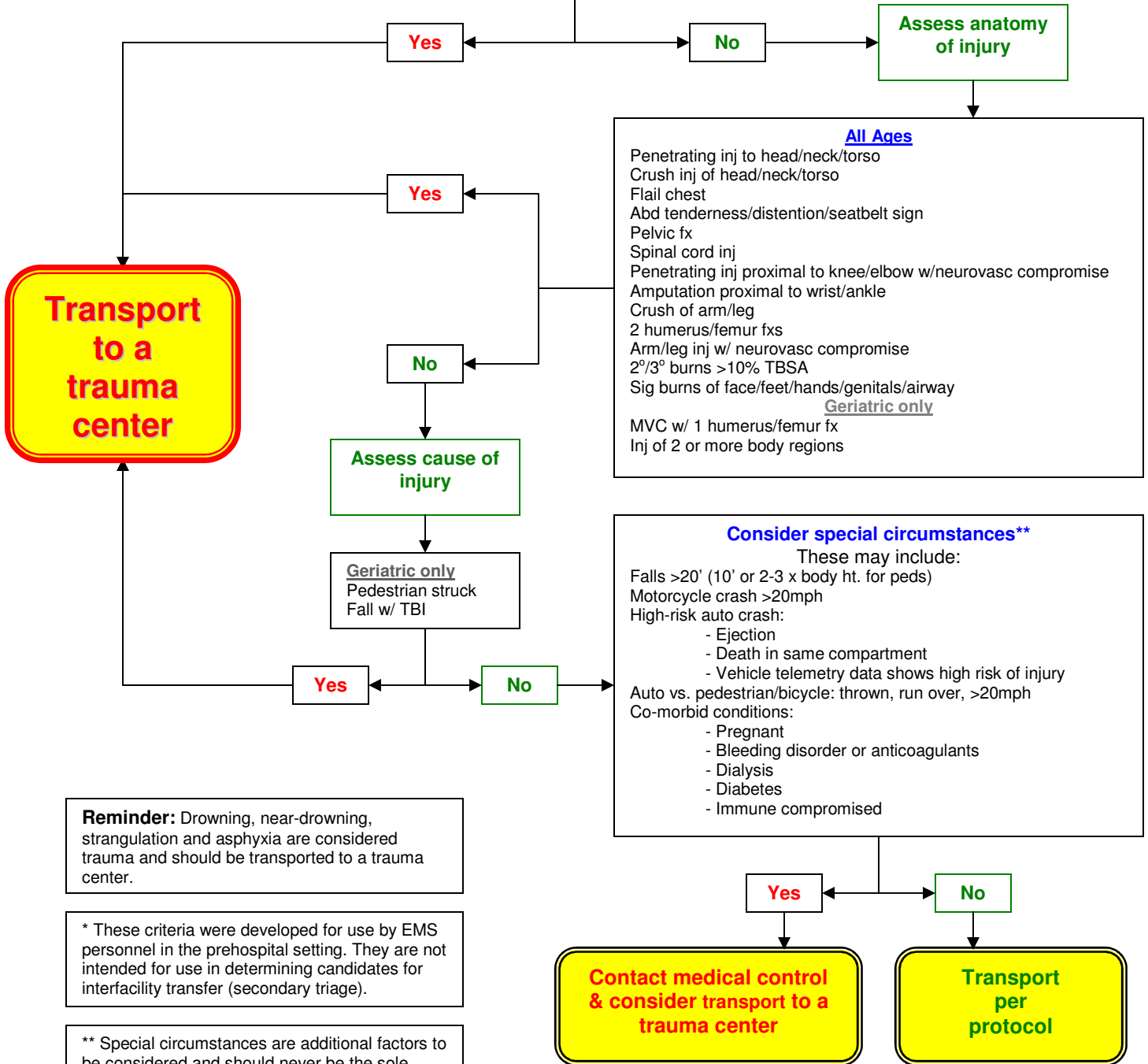


# Ohio Prehospital Trauma Triage Decision Tree\*

Measure vital signs and level of consciousness

<p><b>Pediatric</b>                  GCS <math>\leq 13</math>                  Failure to localize pain                  ↓ing level of consciousness                  Loss of consciousness &gt;5 mins                  Poor perfusion                  Resp distress/failure</p>	<p><b>Adult</b>                  GCS <math>\leq 13</math>                  Failure to localize pain                  ↓ing level of consciousness                  Loss of consciousness &gt;5 mins                  Sys B/P &lt;90                  Pulse &gt;120 w/shock                  Resp &lt;10 or &gt;29                  Tension PTX                  Needs intubation</p>	<p><b>Geriatric</b>                  GCS <math>\leq 13</math>                  Failure to localize pain                  ↓ing level of consciousness                  Loss of consciousness &gt;5 mins                  Sys B/P &lt;100                  Pulse &gt;120 w/shock                  Resp &lt;10 or &gt;29                  Tension PTX                  Needs intubation                  GCS &lt;15 w/TBI</p>
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**Reminder:** Drowning, near-drowning, strangulation and asphyxia are considered trauma and should be transported to a trauma center.

\* These criteria were developed for use by EMS personnel in the prehospital setting. They are not intended for use in determining candidates for interfacility transfer (secondary triage).

\*\* Special circumstances are additional factors to be considered and should never be the sole reason for triaging a patient to a trauma center.

**When in doubt, transport to a trauma center!**