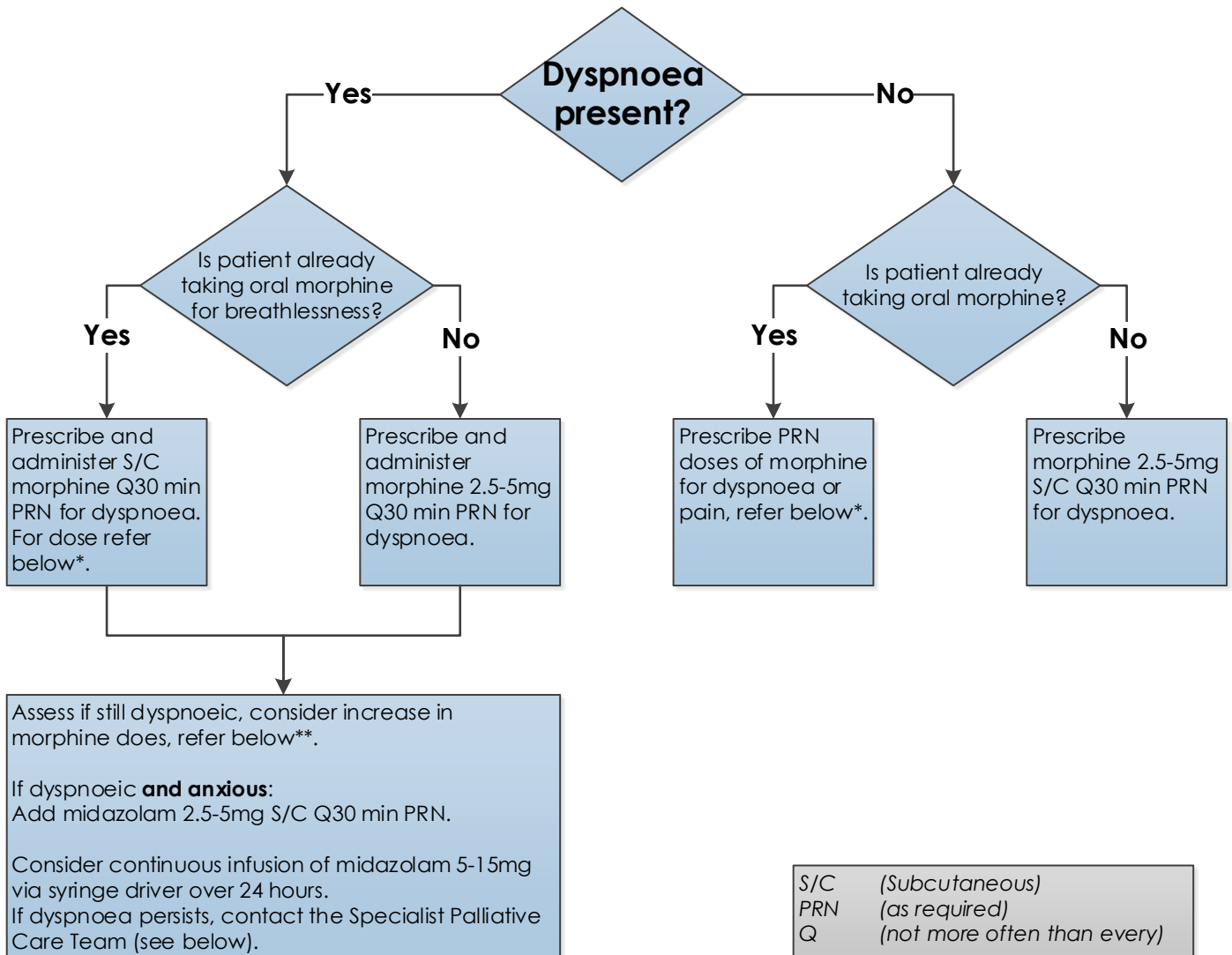


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MORPHINE CALCULATIONS

* To convert from oral to S/C, halve the oral dose. PRN doses for breathlessness should be up to a maximum of **one sixth** of the **total 24 hour opioid dose**, but may respond to significantly lower doses.

** To convert from oral morphine to morphine S/C via syringe driver, halve the **total 24 hour dose** of oral morphine.

If you require further advice 24 hours, 7 days a week please contact the Specialist Palliative Care Service at Mercy Hospice Auckland ph 361 5966