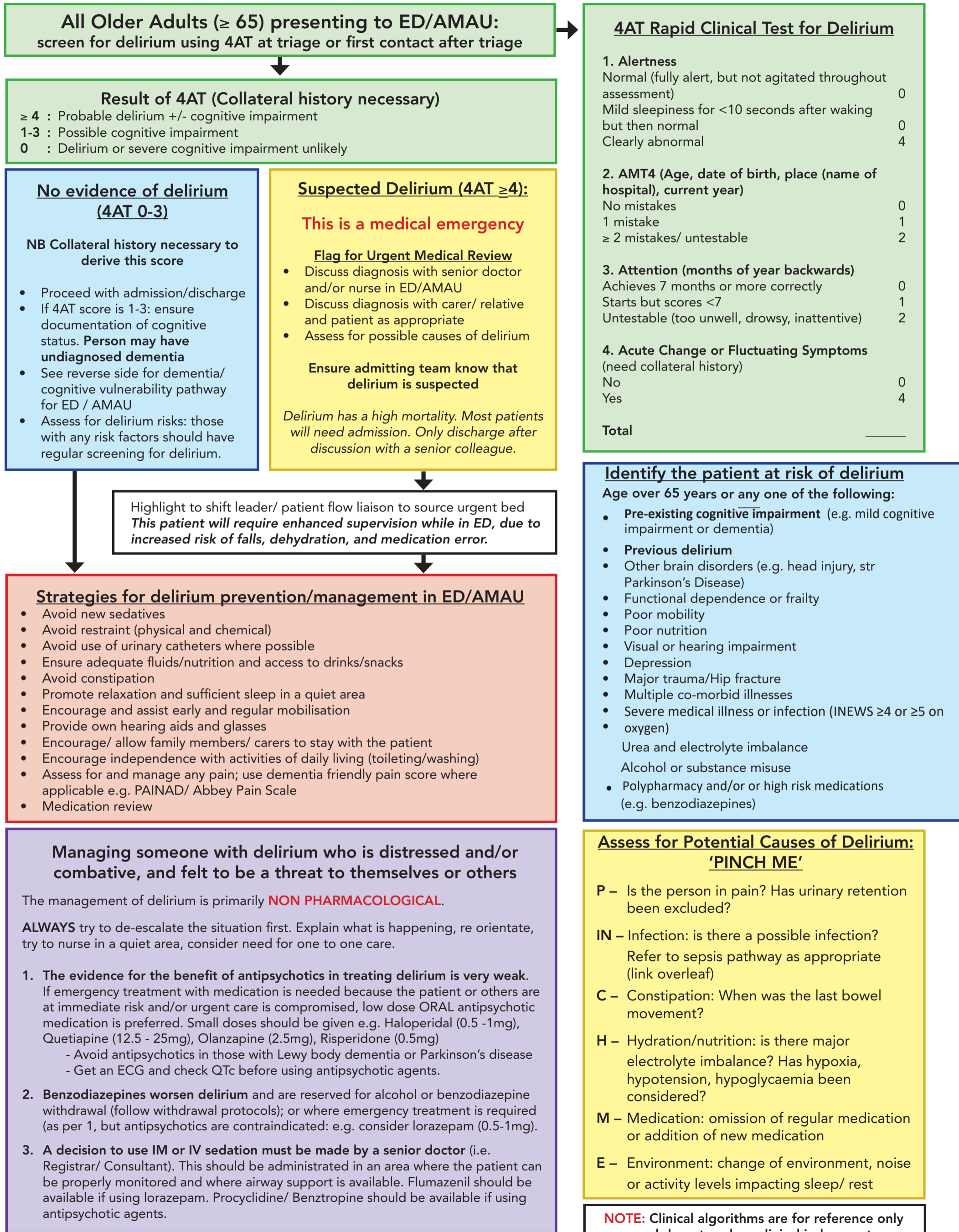


Early Identification and Management of Delirium in the Emergency Department/ Acute Medical Assessment Unit

This algorithm is for use only in adults, and is not intended for delirium due to alcohol or drug intoxication/ withdrawal.

DELIRIUM is an acute change in cognitive function that has an organic cause and is likely to be reversible or preventable.



4AT Rapid Clinical Test for Delirium

1. Alertness	
Normal (fully alert, but not agitated throughout assessment)	0
Mild sleepiness for <10 seconds after waking but then normal	0
Clearly abnormal	4
2. AMT4 (Age, date of birth, place (name of hospital), current year)	
No mistakes	0
1 mistake	1
≥ 2 mistakes/ untestable	2
3. Attention (months of year backwards)	
Achieves 7 months or more correctly	0
Starts but scores <7	1
Untestable (too unwell, drowsy, inattentive)	2
4. Acute Change or Fluctuating Symptoms (need collateral history)	
No	0
Yes	4
Total	_____