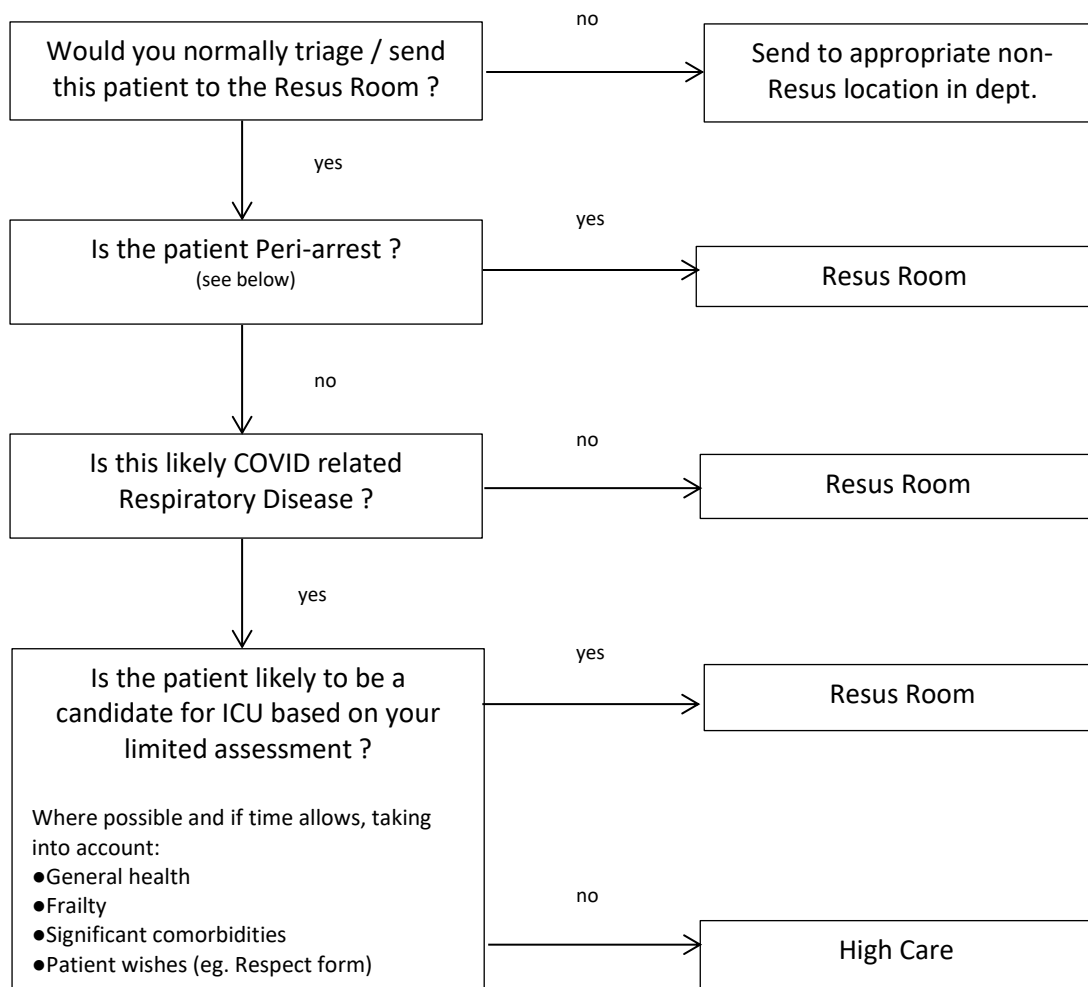


Role of the Resuscitation Room during COVID-19 Outbreak

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We are not able to re-provide the facilities of the resuscitation room in another area during the COVID-19 outbreak and neither are we able to keep it an entirely COVID free area either. To make the most effective use of the resuscitation room at this time the following general principles apply, however there is an acceptance that this is a difficult area of practise and nobody should be criticised if there is a perception that a patient has been sent to an in-appropriate area.

When working in the resuscitation room it is possible that there will be a mixture of COVID and non-COVID patients, in terms of PPE AMBER precautions should be in place at all times. Depending on individual patients in the resus room it may be necessary to escalate to RED precautions (eg. cardiac arrest).



For those patients who are peri-arrest, involving a senior doctor early to help with the decision making is preferable as well as ensuring immediate senior support.

The senior doctor on duty should also be able to help support decision making in cases you have concerns about.