



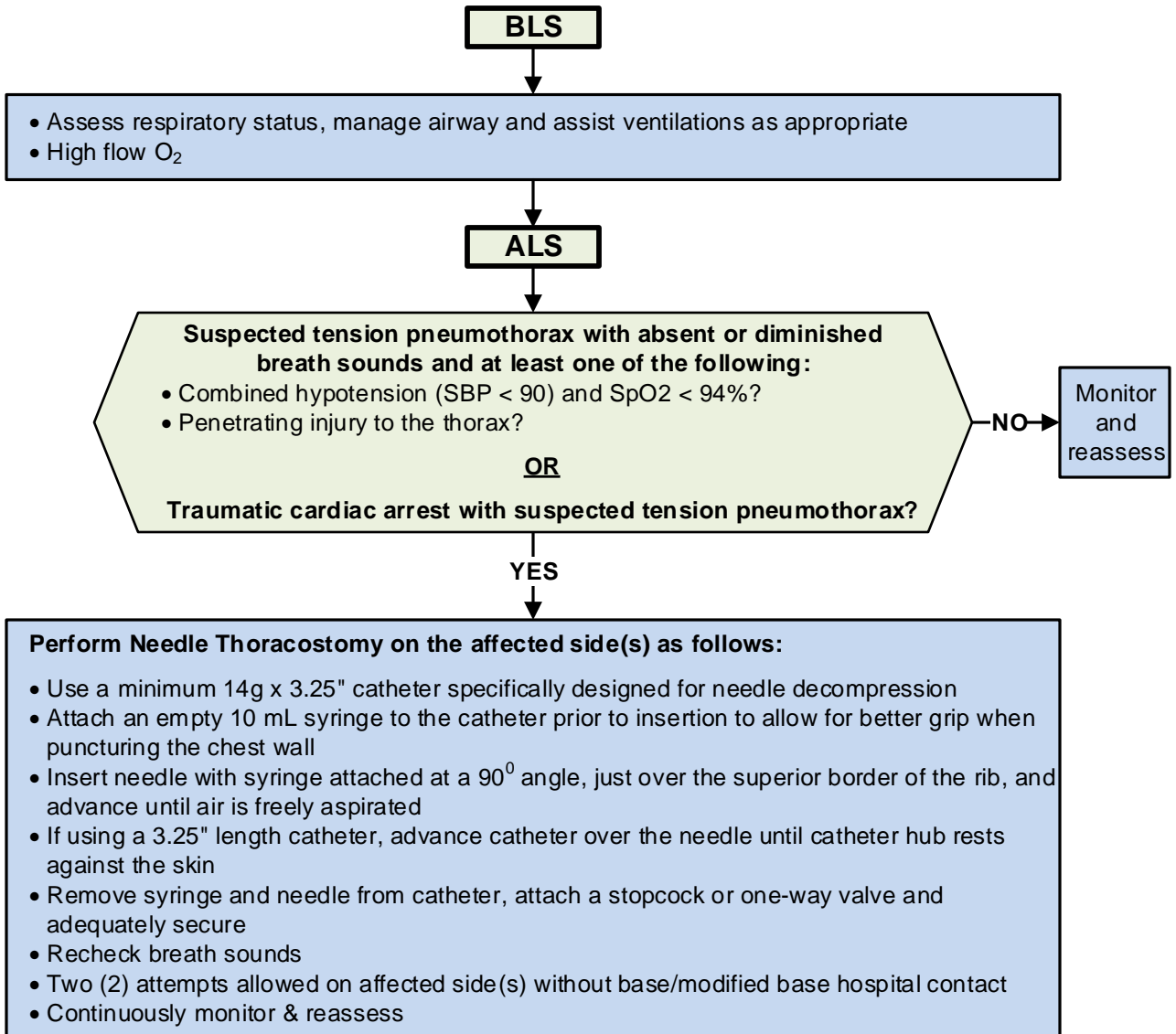
Tension Pneumothorax

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<p>Approved Needle Thoracostomy Sites</p> <p>A Mid-clavicular line in the 2nd intercostal space B Mid-axillary line in the 4th or 5th intercostal space* C Anterior axillary line in the 5th intercostal space*</p> <p>*Above the anatomic nipple line</p> <p>Note: If an initial attempt at one approved site is unsuccessful, consider utilizing an alternate approved site</p>	<p>The diagram shows a lateral view of the human chest with the ribs and intercostal spaces clearly visible. Three specific sites are marked with blue circles and labeled A, B, and C. Site A is located at the mid-clavicular line in the second intercostal space. Sites B and C are located at the mid-axillary and anterior axillary lines, respectively, in the fourth and fifth intercostal spaces. The diagram illustrates the anatomical landmarks used to identify these sites.</p>
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