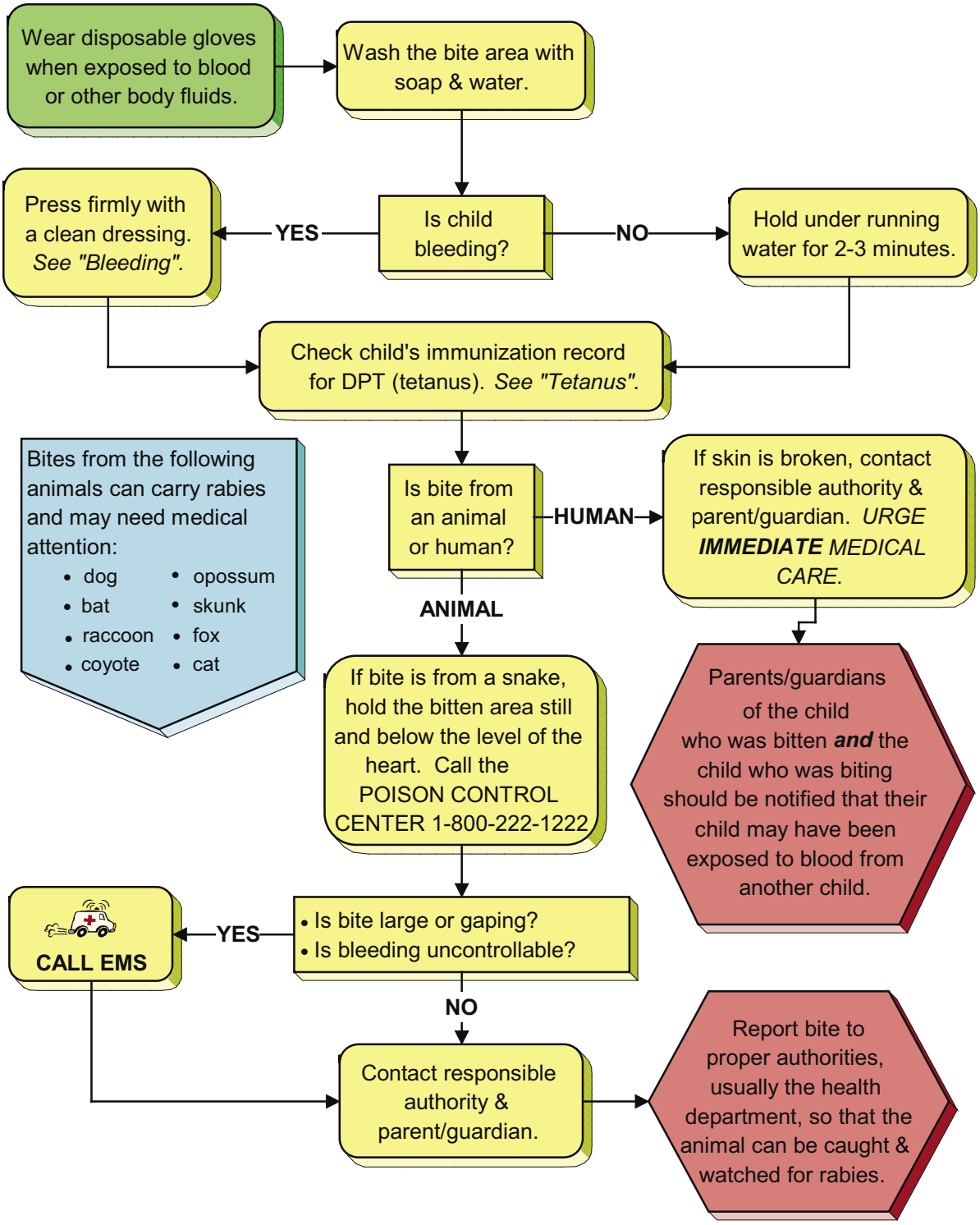
Wear disposable gloves when exposed to blood or other body fluids.
Wash the bite area with soap & water.
Is child bleeding?
YES
Press firmly with a clean dressing. See "Bleeding".
NO
Hold under running water for 2-3 minutes.
Check child's immunization record for DPT (tetanus). See "Tetanus".
Bites from the following animals can carry rabies and may need medical attention:
• dog
• bat
• raccoon
• coyote
• opossum
• skunk
• fox
• cat
Is bite from an animal or human?
HUMAN
If skin is broken, contact responsible authority & parent/guardian. URGE IMMEDIATE MEDICAL CARE.
Parents/guardians of the child who was bitten and the child who was biting should be notified that their child may have been exposed to blood from another child.
ANIMAL
If bite is from a snake, hold the bitten area still and below the level of the heart. Call the POISON CONTROL CENTER 1-800-222-1222
• Is bite large or gaping?
• Is bleeding uncontrollable?
YES
CALL EMS
NO
Contact responsible authority & parent/guardian.
Report bite to proper authorities, usually the health department, so that the animal can be caught & watched for rabies.