

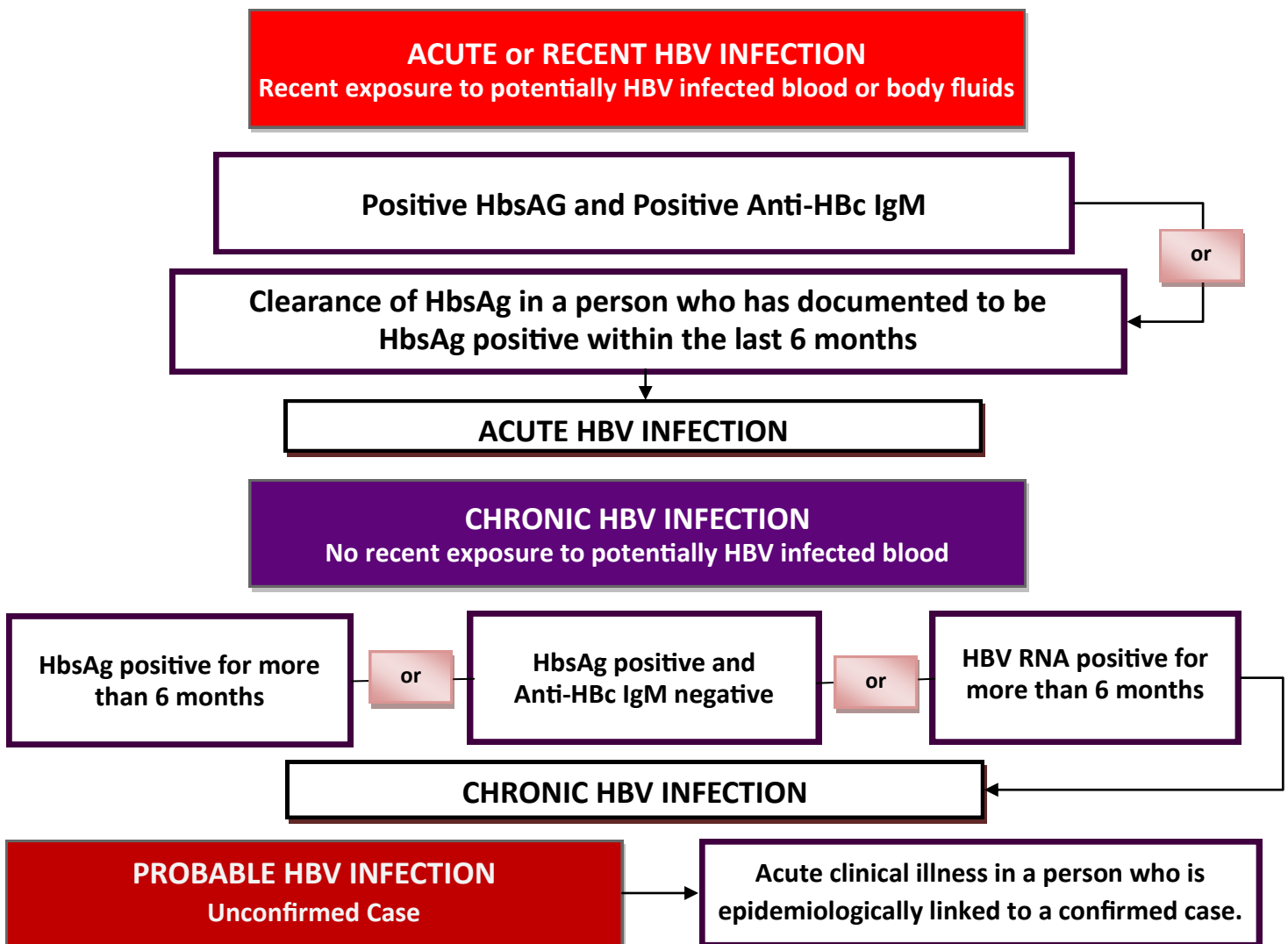


HEPATITIS B - Case Definition

Nationally Notifiable since 1969

PATIENT X

Case Classification for Acute and Chronic Hepatitis B



For more information on Hepatitis B, please consult the NWT Communicable Disease Manual

In Canada, most cases of acute HB occur in unimmunized people 25 years of age and older who acquire infection through unprotected sexual activity, sharing injection drug equipment, household contact with an HB carrier, or treatments or procedures with percutaneous exposure. People on dialysis are considered at high risk. A high proportion of HB carriers in Canada are immigrants from HB endemic areas. Public Health

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