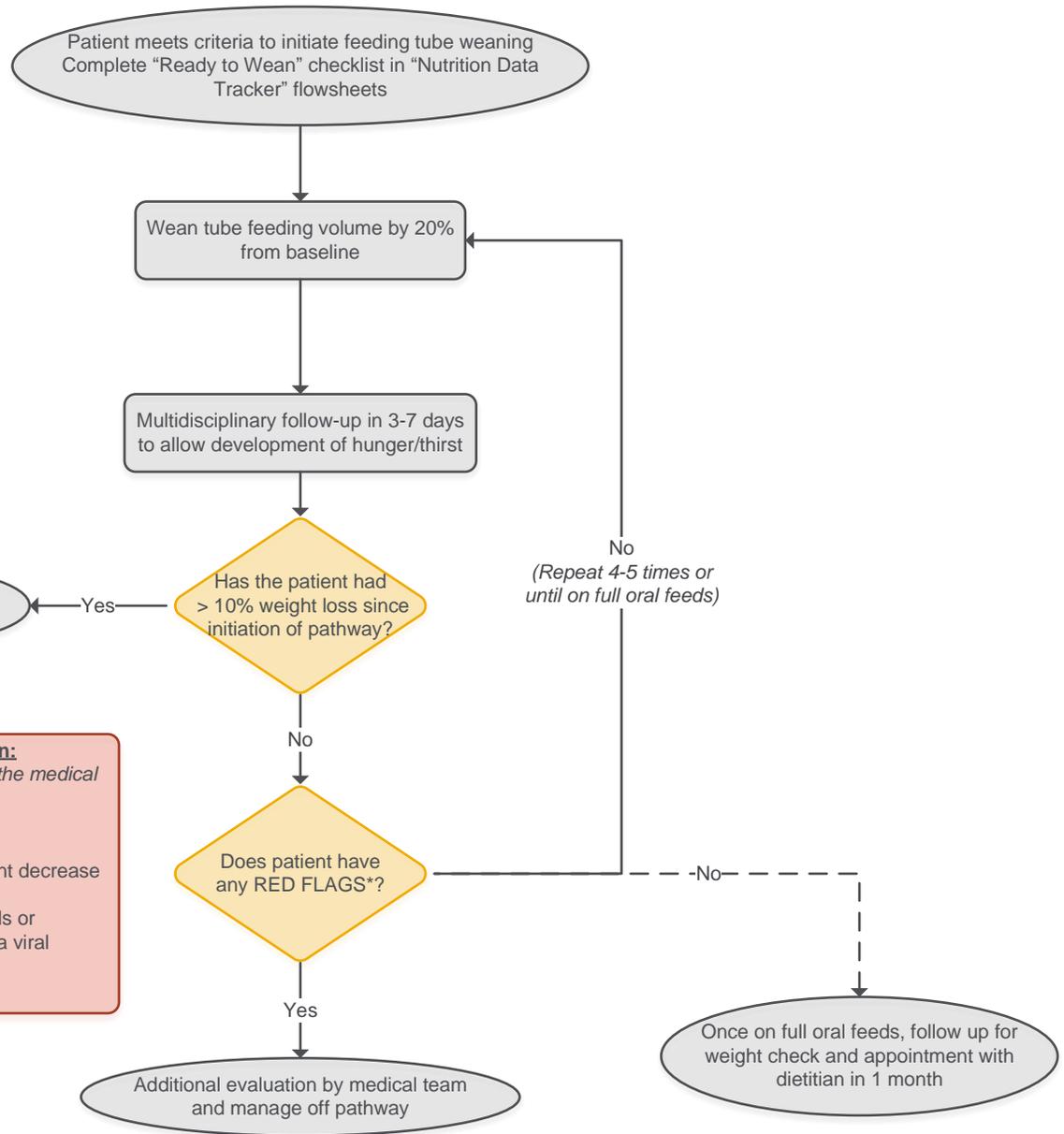


# SINGLE VENTRICLE FEEDING TUBE WEANING PATHWAY



**\*RED FLAGS during the wean:**  
\*should trigger additional evaluation by the medical team\*

- Weight gain < 25% of expected
- Clinical signs of dehydration
- New vomiting/diarrhea or a significant decrease in wet diapers
- Coughing/choking/gagging with feeds or increased congestion not related to a viral infection
- Unusual fatigue or lethargy

**Helpful Hints**

- Make sure team members (including caregivers) are comfortable with the pre-work on positive feeding associations and behavioral interventions. *Preparation is the key to success!*
- A structured decrease in tube feedings should increase interest in oral intake (takes 4 or 5 steps).
- It may take several weeks to regain a positive growth trajectory\*. We typically monitor for 1 month post last tube use to document weight gain
  - \*Patients should be considered to have graduated at 1 month post last tube feed IF they are demonstrating weight gain
- Make a plan ahead of time for how and when to transition medications to PO