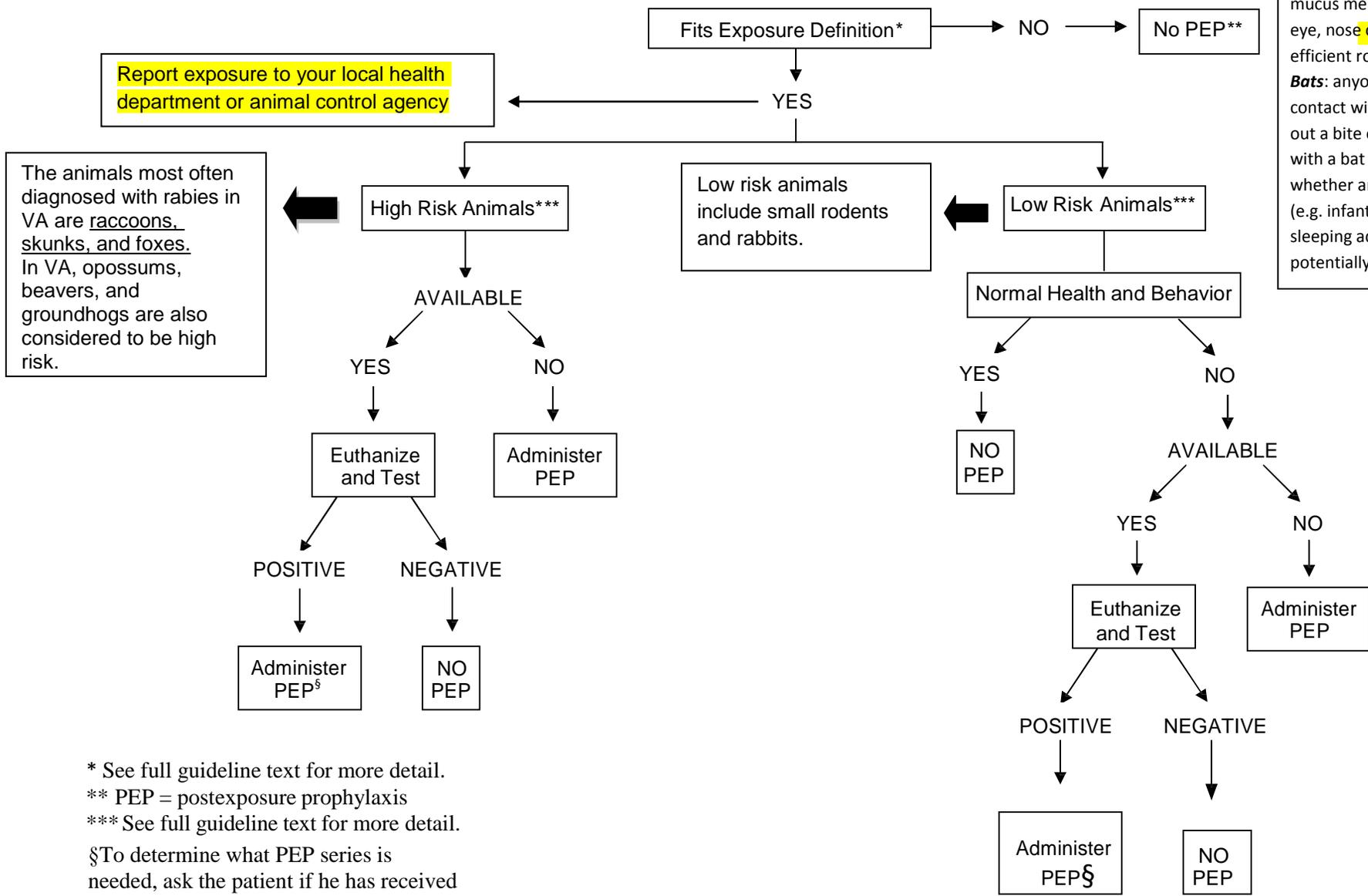


Virginia Guidelines for Rabies Prevention and Control Attachment 7d

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HUMAN EXPOSED TO HIGH OR LOW RISK WILD OR EXOTIC ANIMAL

Exposure = any situation where saliva or central nervous system tissue of a confirmed or suspect rabid animal enters an open, fresh wound or comes in contact with a mucus membrane by entering the eye, nose or mouth. The most efficient route of exposure is a bite. **Bats:** anyone who has had direct contact with a bat and cannot rule out a bite or has been in a room with a bat and is unable to tell whether an exposure took place (e.g. infant, cognitively impaired or sleeping adult) should be considered potentially exposed to rabies.



* See full guideline text for more detail.

** PEP = postexposure prophylaxis

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§To determine what PEP series is needed, ask the patient if he has received rabies vaccines before.