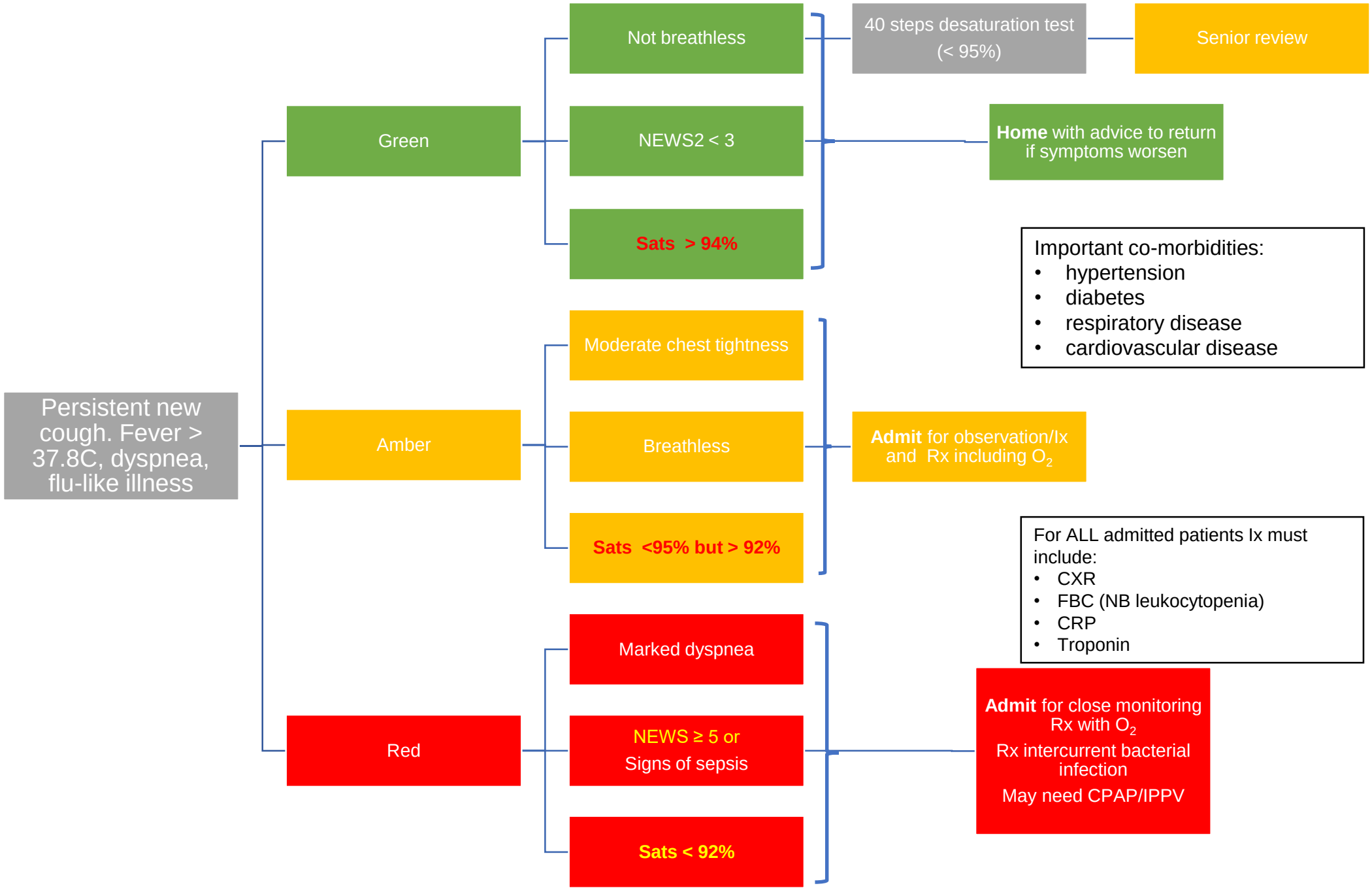
Persistent new cough. Fever > 37.8C, dyspnea, flu-like illness
Green
Not breathless
NEWS2 < 3
Sats > 94%
40 steps desaturation test (< 95%)
Senior review
Home with advice to return if symptoms worsen
Amber
Moderate chest tightness
Breathless
Sats <95% but > 92%
Admit for observation/Ix and Rx including O_2
Red
Marked dyspnea
NEWS ≥ 5 or Signs of sepsis
Sats < 92%
Admit for close monitoring Rx with O_2
Rx intercurrent bacterial infection
May need CPAP/IPPV
Important co-morbidities:
• hypertension
• diabetes
• respiratory disease
• cardiovascular disease
For ALL admitted patients Ix must include:
• CXR
• FBC (NB leukocytopenia)
• CRP
• Troponin