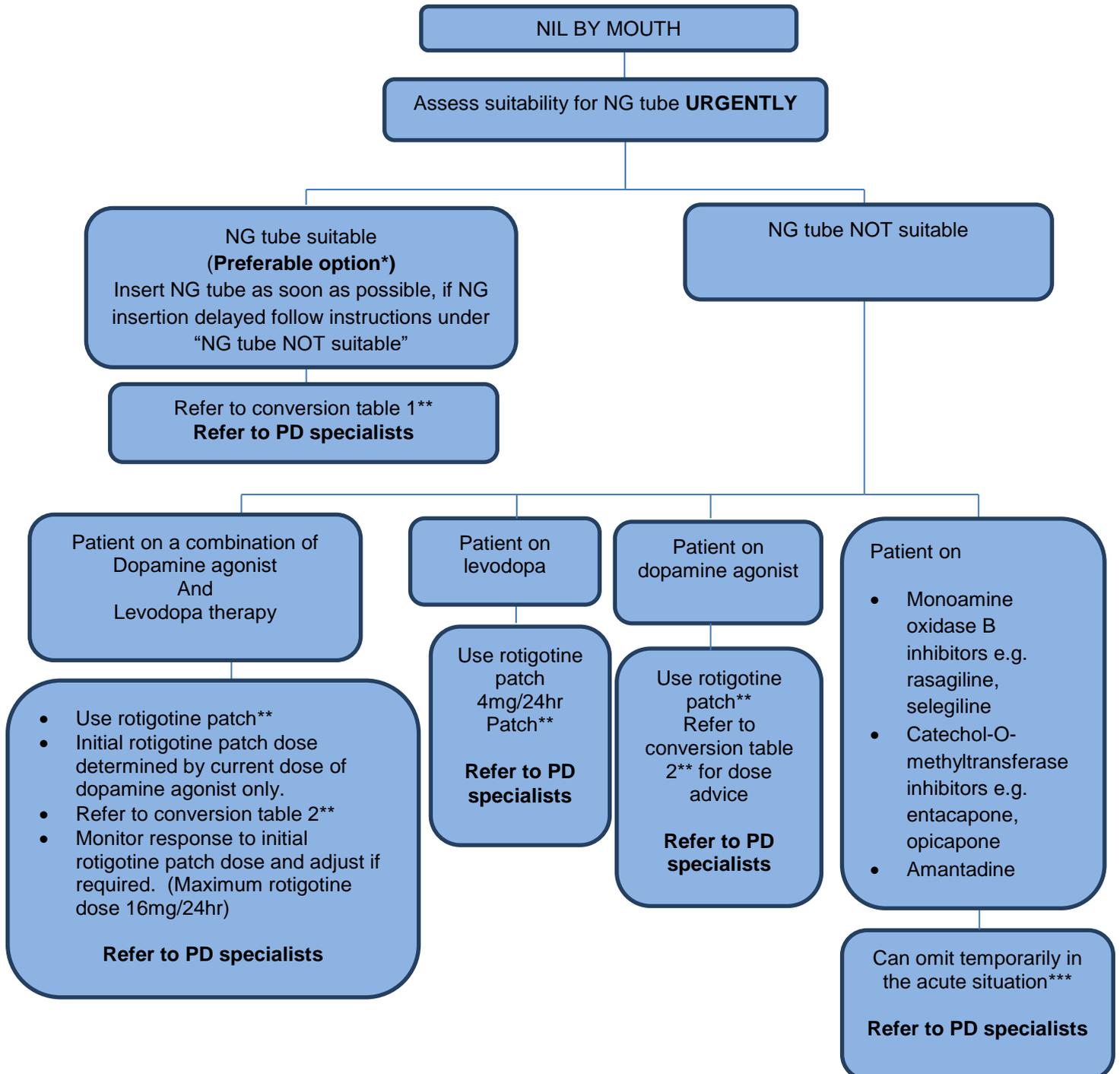


## NHSGGC Parkinson's disease: management of PD patients who are nil-by-mouth

Guidance for converting oral PD medicines to an alternative formulation in the acute setting. Use GGC guideline **only** as other guidelines and calculators may vary in the dose recommended.

Return to the main guideline to access tables 1 and 2.



\* NG tube is the preferable option due to risk of side-effects with rotigotine patch use and the suggested dose equivalence to rotigotine is only approximate.

\*\*Check for cautions, contraindications and previous adverse effects to dopamine agonists. Monitor for side-effects or lack of benefit and adjust accordingly.

\*\*\*Document in notes any medicines that are being temporarily omitted and make it clear these have to be restarted if/when swallowing is re-established.