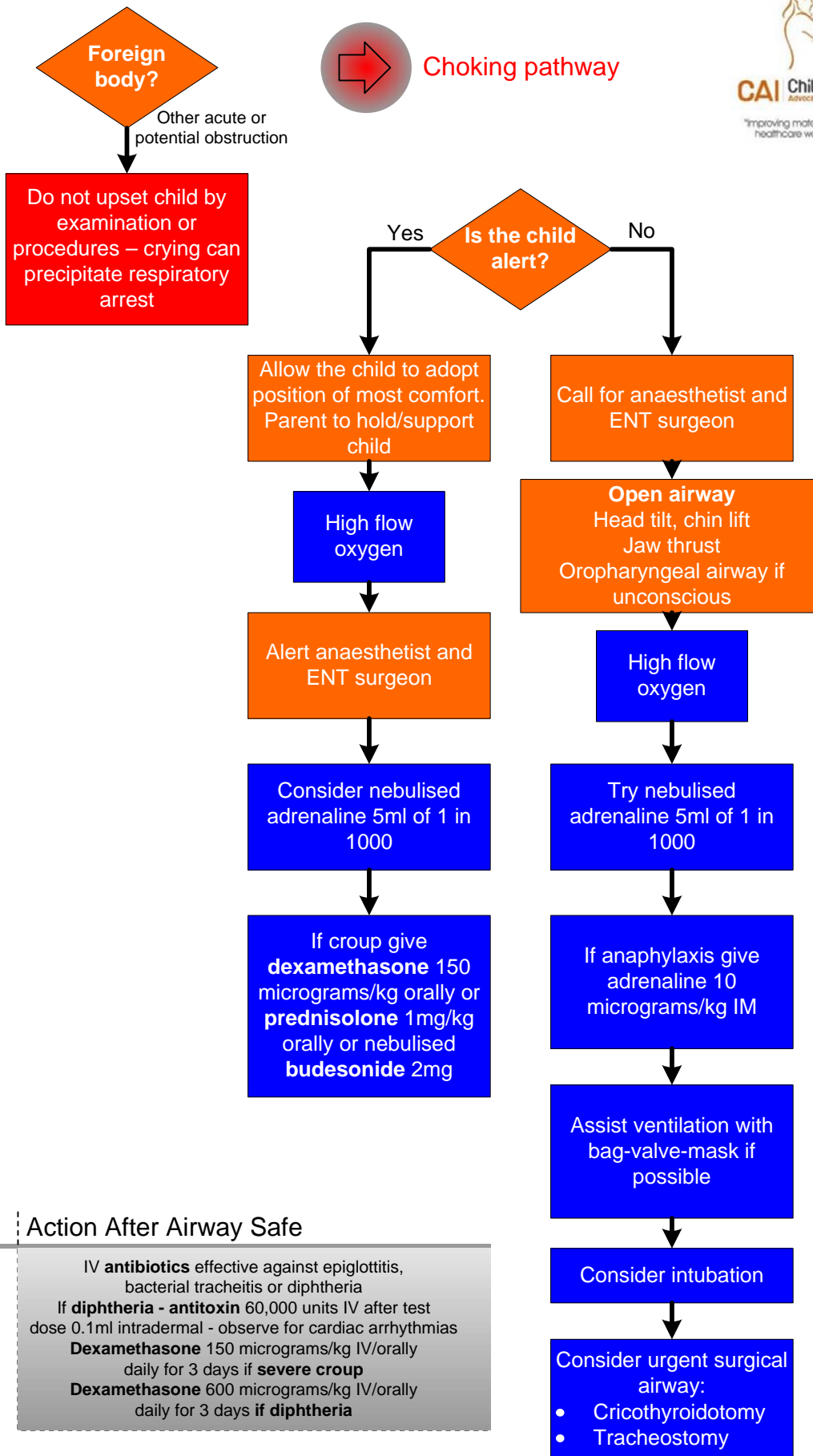


Acute upper airway obstruction in a child

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Action After Airway Safe

IV **antibiotics** effective against epiglottitis, bacterial tracheitis or diphtheria

If **diphtheria** - **antitoxin** 60,000 units IV after test dose 0.1ml intradermal - observe for cardiac arrhythmias

Dexamethasone 150 micrograms/kg IV/orally daily for 3 days if **severe croup**

Dexamethasone 600 micrograms/kg IV/orally daily for 3 days if **diphtheria**