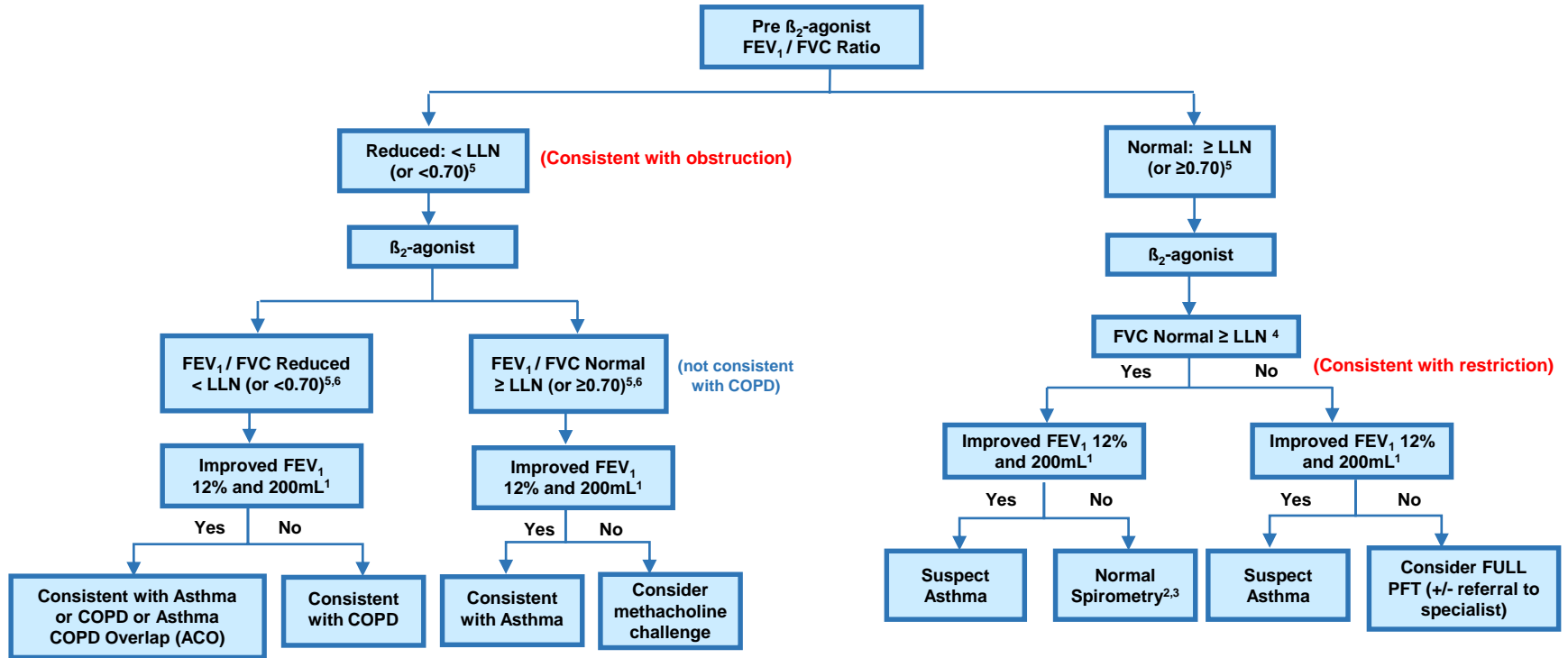


Spirometry Interpretation Guide

(Consider patient history in all interpretation decision making)



LLN=Lower Limit of Normal

1. 200mL criteria only necessary for adults and children ≥ 12 years
2. Reversibility criteria not met. May occur with chronic asthma - consider methacholine challenge or referral
3. Normal Spirometry: in the context of persistent symptoms consider further clinical testing i.e. methacholine challenge
4. LLN may not be available on outdated systems – use 80% predicted
5. If the LLN is not available use 0.70 in an adult if COPD is suspected and 0.80 in a child
6. If FVC < LLN (or < 80%) predicted, consider hyperinflation/gas trapping. If post-BD FVC remains < LLN (or < 80%) predicted, consider combined obstructive and restrictive defect and full PFT.

Note: Recommended reference equations: GLI, CHMS, and NHANES III