

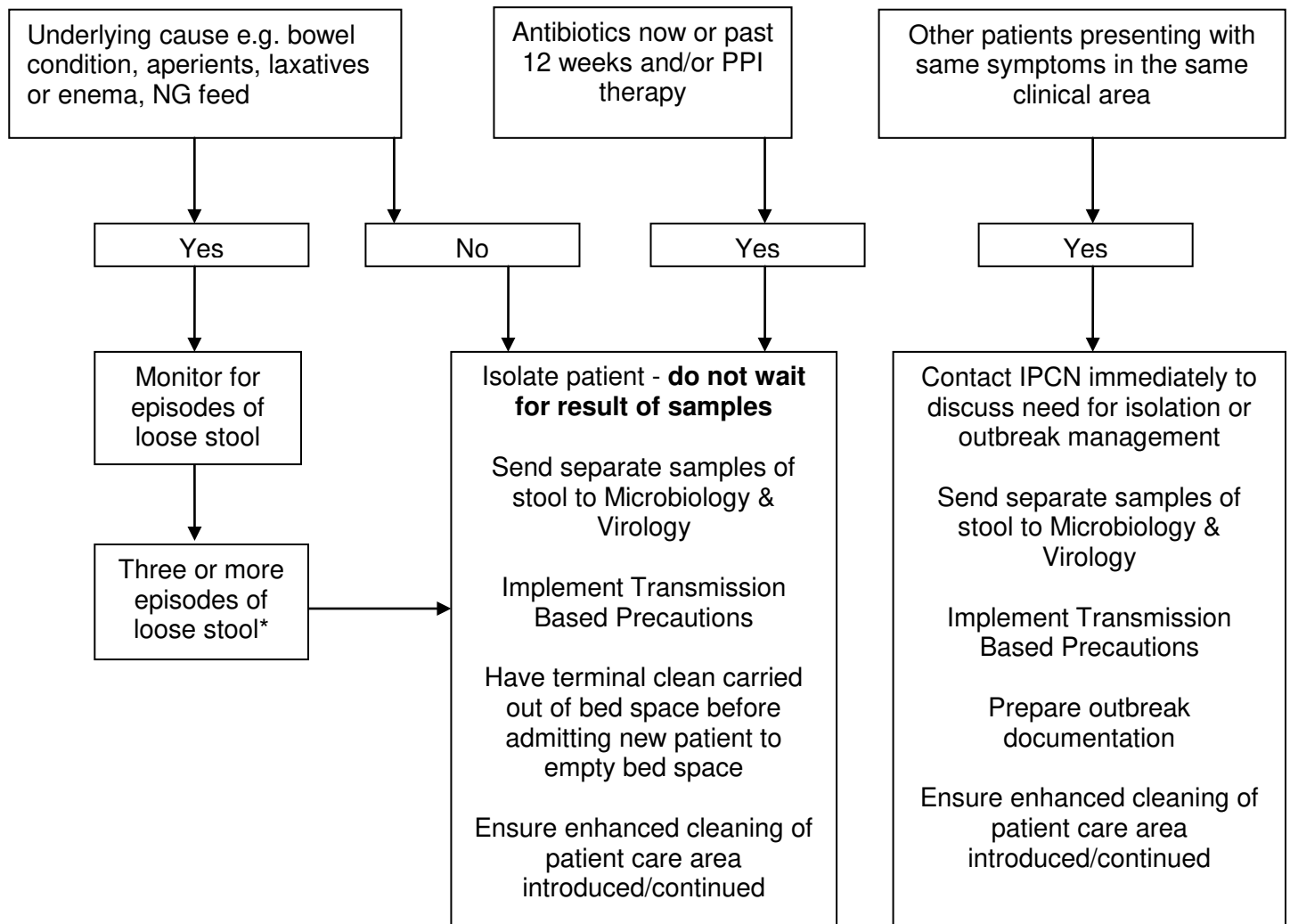
## Loose Stool Escalation Flowchart

Patient presents with loose stools which are defined as type 5-7

Type 5		Soft blobs with clear-cut edges (passed easily)
Type 6		Fluffy pieces with ragged edges, a mushy stool
Type 7		Watery, no solid pieces. <b>Entirely Liquid</b>

Record all episodes of loose stool on the Bristol Stool chart

Check TRAK for previous CDI or other infective case alert tag and action accordingly



**\*Please use your professional judgement. If a patient has been previously exposed to CDI/norovirus etc. do not wait for three episodes of loose stools before isolating patient and sending specimens to microbiology and virology.**