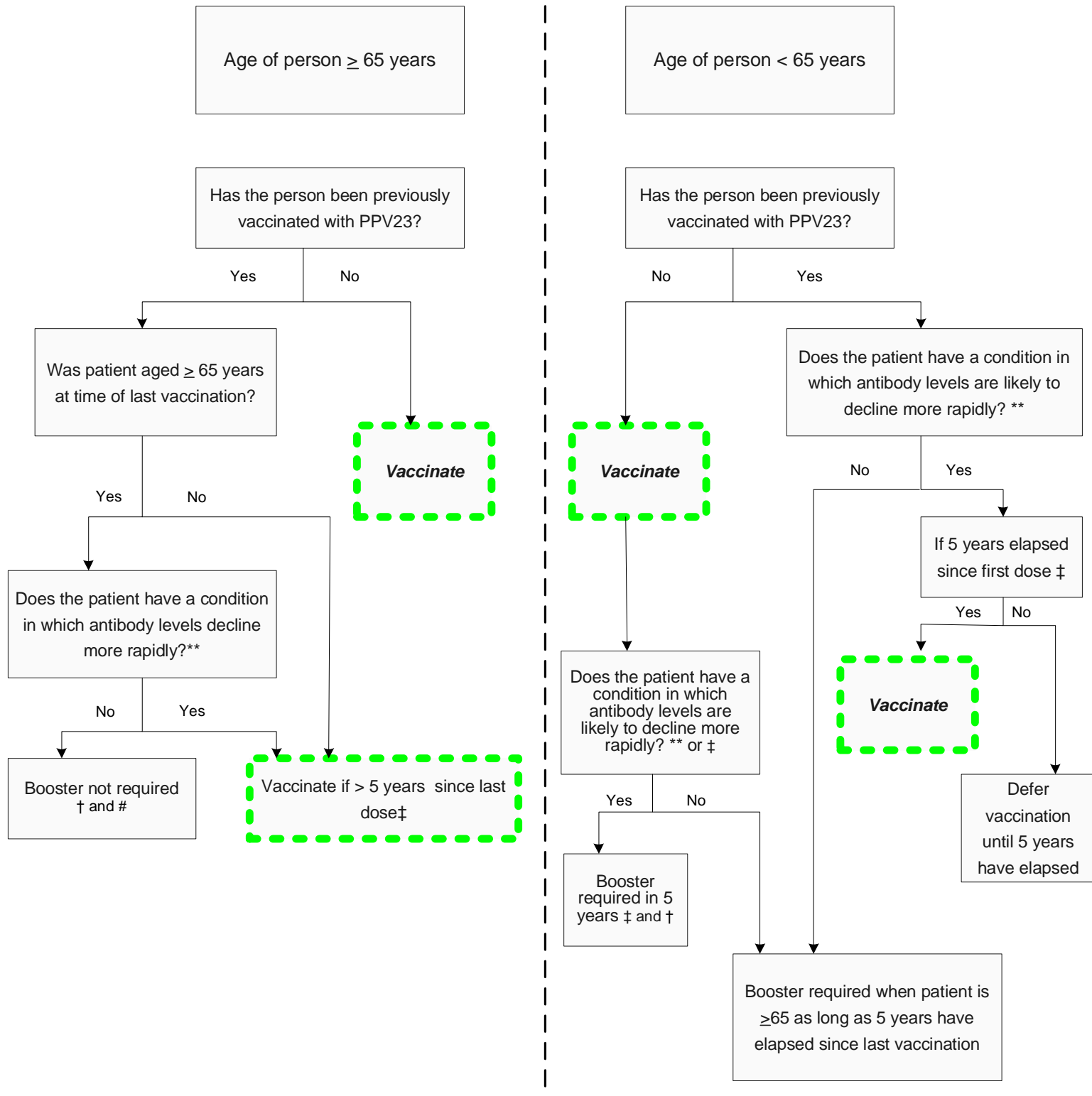


**Algorithm for Assessing PPV23 Vaccination Requirements
for Persons at Increased Risk of Invasive Pneumococcal Disease
(i.e. individuals ≥ 65 years of age or with a recognised risk condition*)**



* Risk conditions include; asplenia or splenic dysfunction (splenectomy, sickle cell disease, coeliac syndrome); chronic renal, heart, lung, liver disease, diabetes mellitus, complement deficiency, immunosuppressive conditions; CSF leaks; cochlear implant recipients or candidates for implants; children < 5 years with history of invasive disease

** Conditions where antibodies are more likely to decline rapidly include those with no spleen, with splenic dysfunction, immunosuppression including HIV infection, nephrotic syndrome or chronic renal disease. For these individuals PPV23 should be given 5 years after the first dose

† The need and benefit for repeated booster doses among high-risk individuals is unclear and is not routinely indicated

‡ If vaccination has been given during chemotherapy or radiotherapy revaccination 3 months after treatment is indicated

For any person who has received a dose of pneumococcal vaccine at age 65 years, revaccination is not routinely indicated