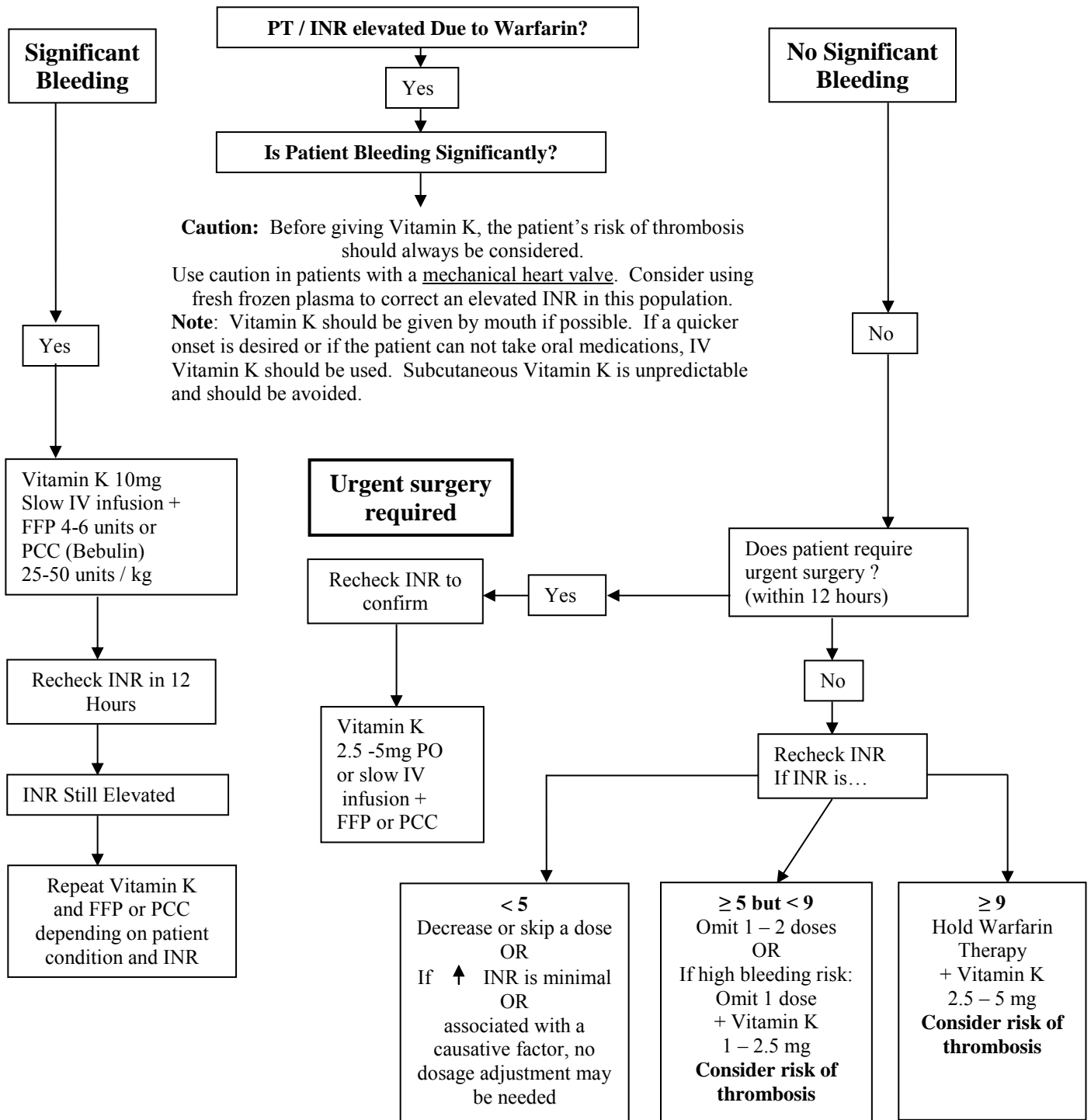


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**Caution:** Before giving Vitamin K, the patient’s risk of thrombosis should always be considered.  
 Use caution in patients with a mechanical heart valve. Consider using fresh frozen plasma to correct an elevated INR in this population.  
**Note:** Vitamin K should be given by mouth if possible. If a quicker onset is desired or if the patient can not take oral medications, IV Vitamin K should be used. Subcutaneous Vitamin K is unpredictable and should be avoided.

Recommend repeat INR within 12-24 hours

FFP = Fresh Frozen Plasma  
 PCC= Prothrombin Complex Concentrate

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Information obtained from the 8<sup>th</sup> edition of ACCP Guidelines on Antithrombotic and Thrombolytic Therapy. Ansell J, Hirsh J, Hylek E, et al. Pharmacology and management of the vitamin K antagonists. Chest 2008;133:160S-198S.