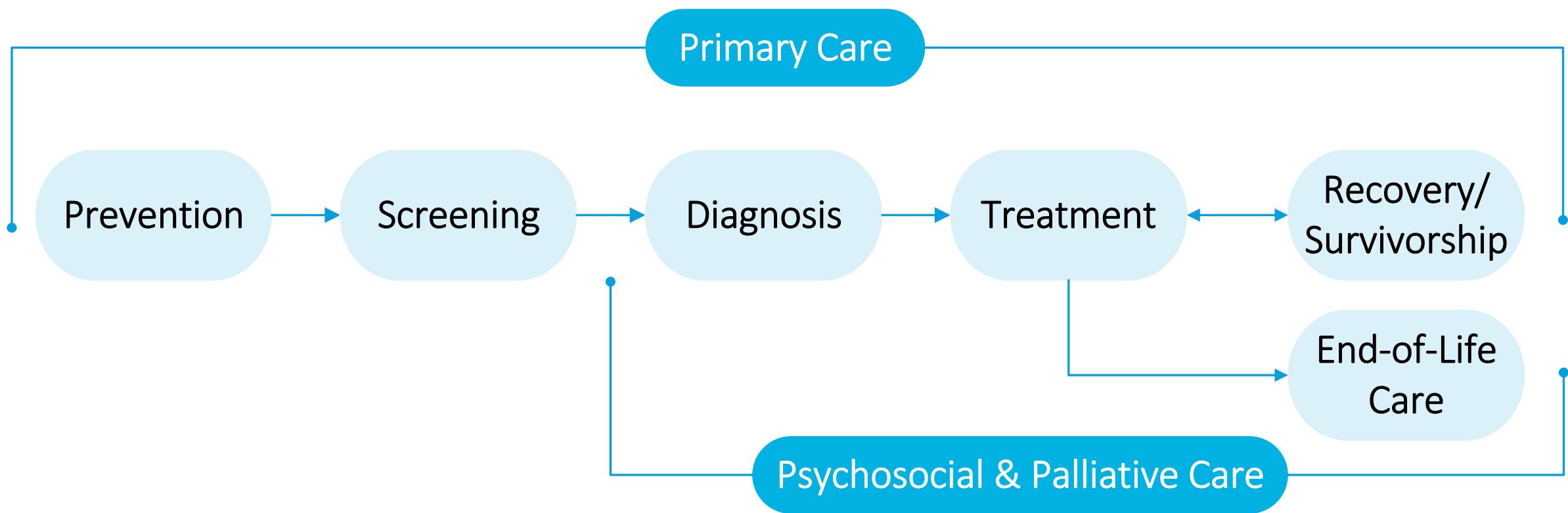


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Target Population

- Patients presenting with mucinous epithelial ovarian cancer.

Pathway Map Considerations

- For additional information about the optimal organization of gynecologic oncology services in Ontario refer to [GL #4-11](#).
- Primary care providers play an important role in the cancer journey and should be informed of relevant tests and consultations. Ongoing care with a primary care provider is assumed to be part of the pathway map. For patients who do not have a primary care provider, [Health811](#) is a government resource that helps patients find a doctor or nurse practitioner.
- Throughout the pathway map, a shared decision-making model should be implemented to enable and encourage patients to play an active role in the management of their care. For more information see [Person-Centered Care Guideline](#) and [EBS #19-2 Provider-Patient Communication](#).*
- Hyperlinks are used throughout the pathway map to provide information about relevant Ontario Health (Cancer Care Ontario) tools, resources and guidance documents.
- The term ‘health care provider’, used throughout the pathway map, includes primary care providers and specialists, e.g. family doctors, nurse practitioners, and emergency physicians.
- Multidisciplinary Cancer Conferences (MCCs) may be considered for all phases of the pathway map. For more information on Multidisciplinary Cancer Conferences, visit [MCC Tools](#).
- For more information on wait time prioritization, visit [Surgery](#).
- Clinical trials should be considered for all phases of the pathway map.
- Psychosocial oncology (PSO) is the interprofessional specialty concerned with understanding and treating the social, practical, psychological, emotional, spiritual and functional needs and quality-of-life impact that cancer has on patients and their families. Psychosocial care should be considered an integral and standardized part of cancer care for patients and their families at all stages of the illness trajectory. For more information, visit [EBS #19-3](#).*

Pathway Map Legend

Colour Guide

	Primary Care
	Palliative Care
	Pathology
	Organized Diagnostic Assessment
	Surgery
	Radiation Oncology
	Medical Oncology
	Radiology
	Multidisciplinary Cancer Conference (MCC)
	Genetics
	Psychosocial Oncology (PSO)

Shape Guide

	Intervention
	Decision or assessment point
	Patient (disease) characteristics
	Consultation with specialist
	Exit pathway
	Off page reference
	Referral

Line Guide

	Required
	Possible

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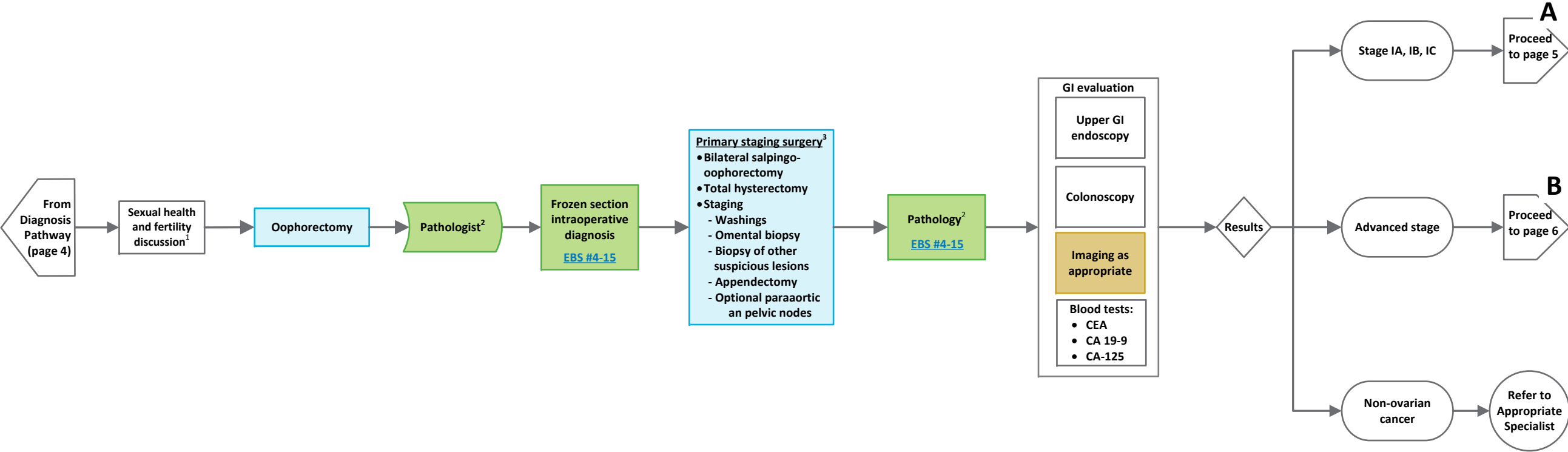
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¹ Discussion to be individualized for each patient; however, may include the following: age, fertility preservation, hormone replacement therapy, referral for infertility consultation, etc.

² Pathologists with a specialty or special interest in gynecologic pathology.

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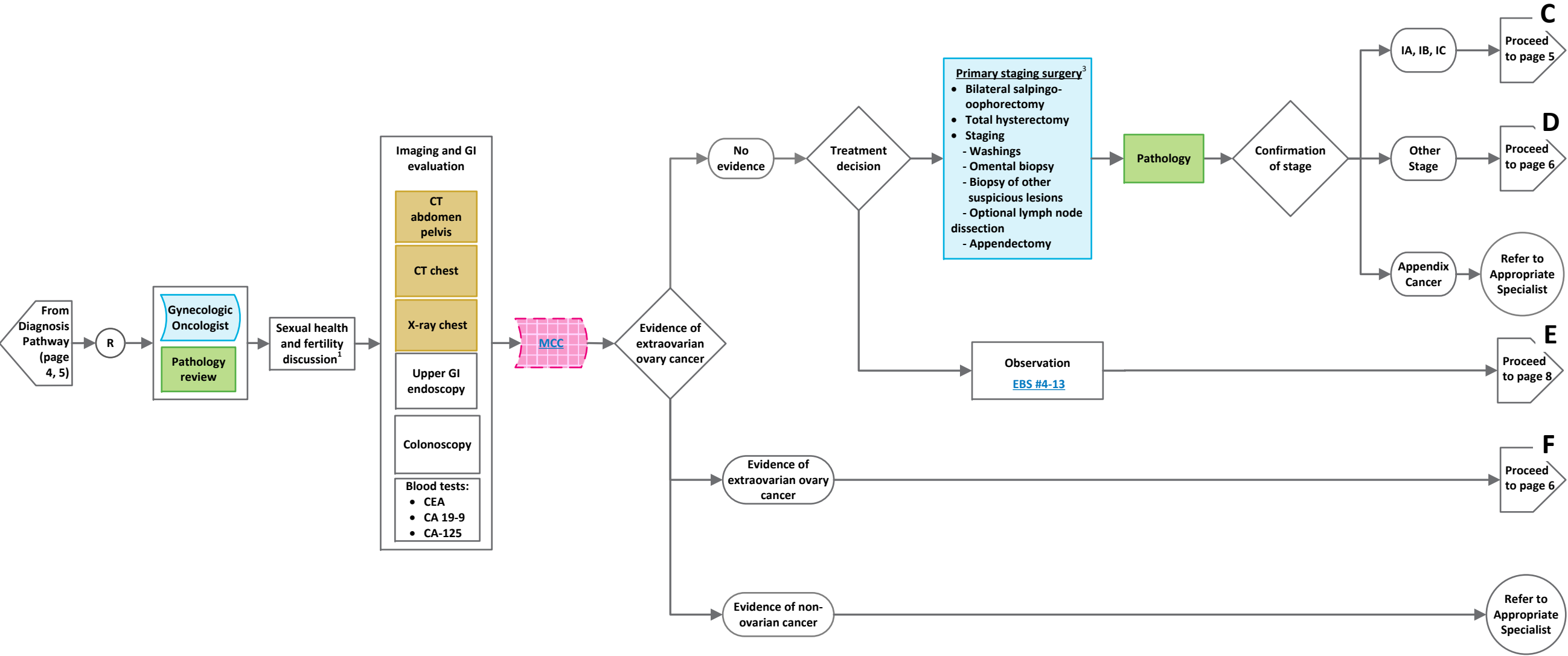
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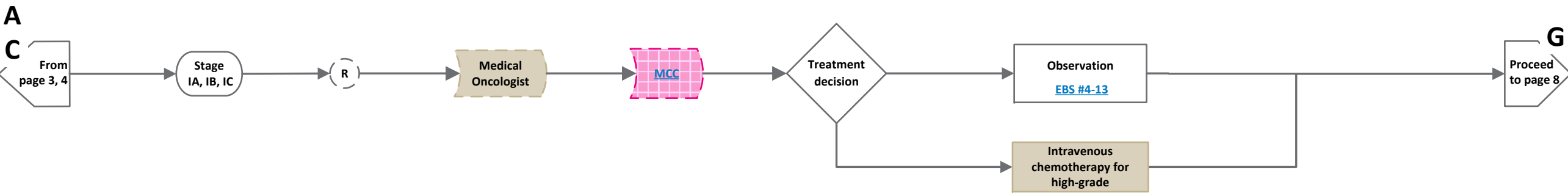
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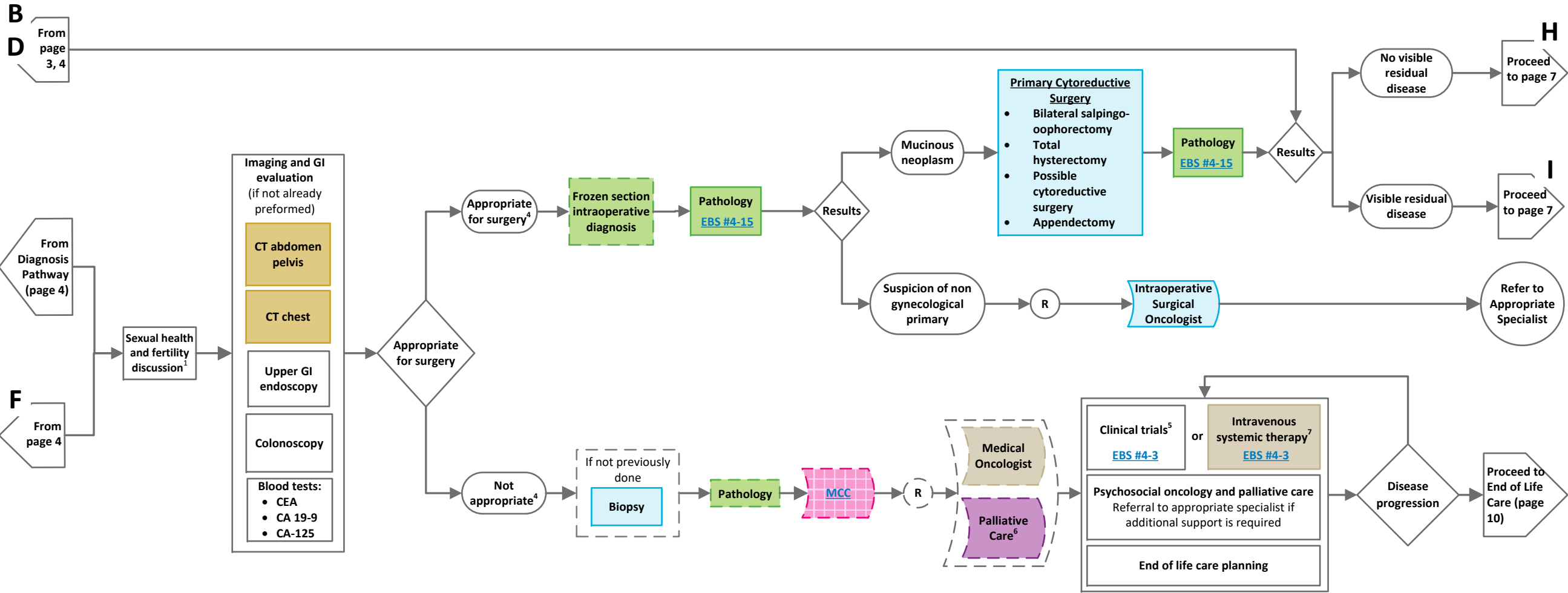
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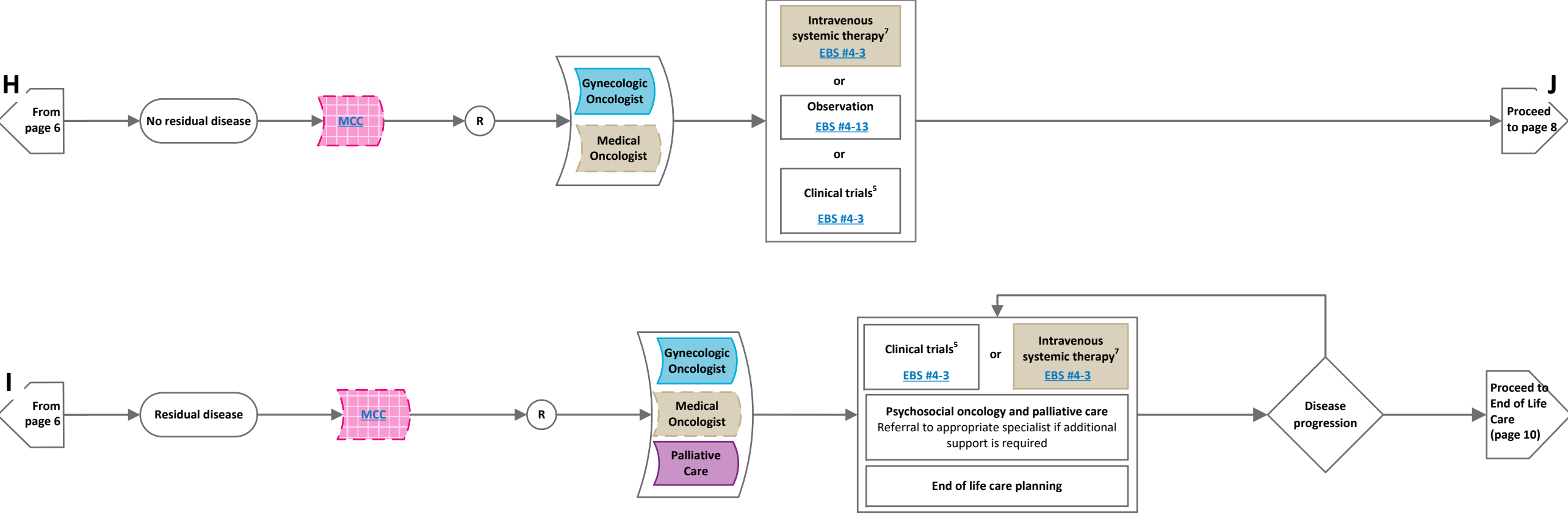
⁶ For more information about early palliative care for advanced cancer refer to Zimmermann et al., (2014) Early palliative care for patients with advanced cancer: a cluster-randomized controlled trial. Lancet, 383(9930), 1721-30.

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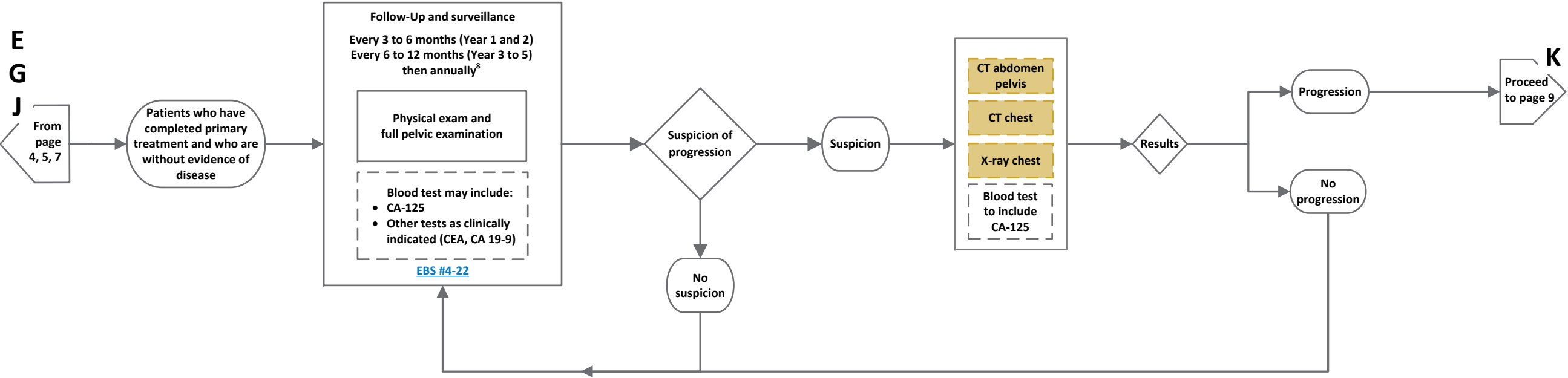


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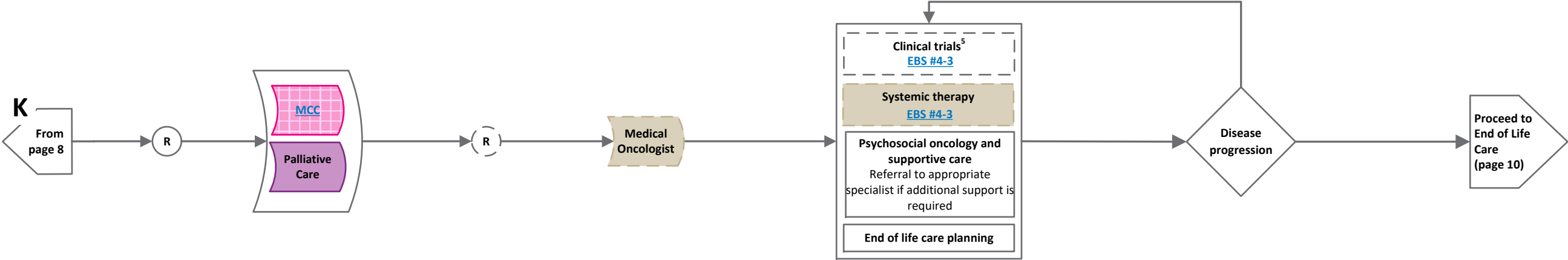


⁸ Annual follow-up by gynecologist, family doctor or gynecologic oncologist.

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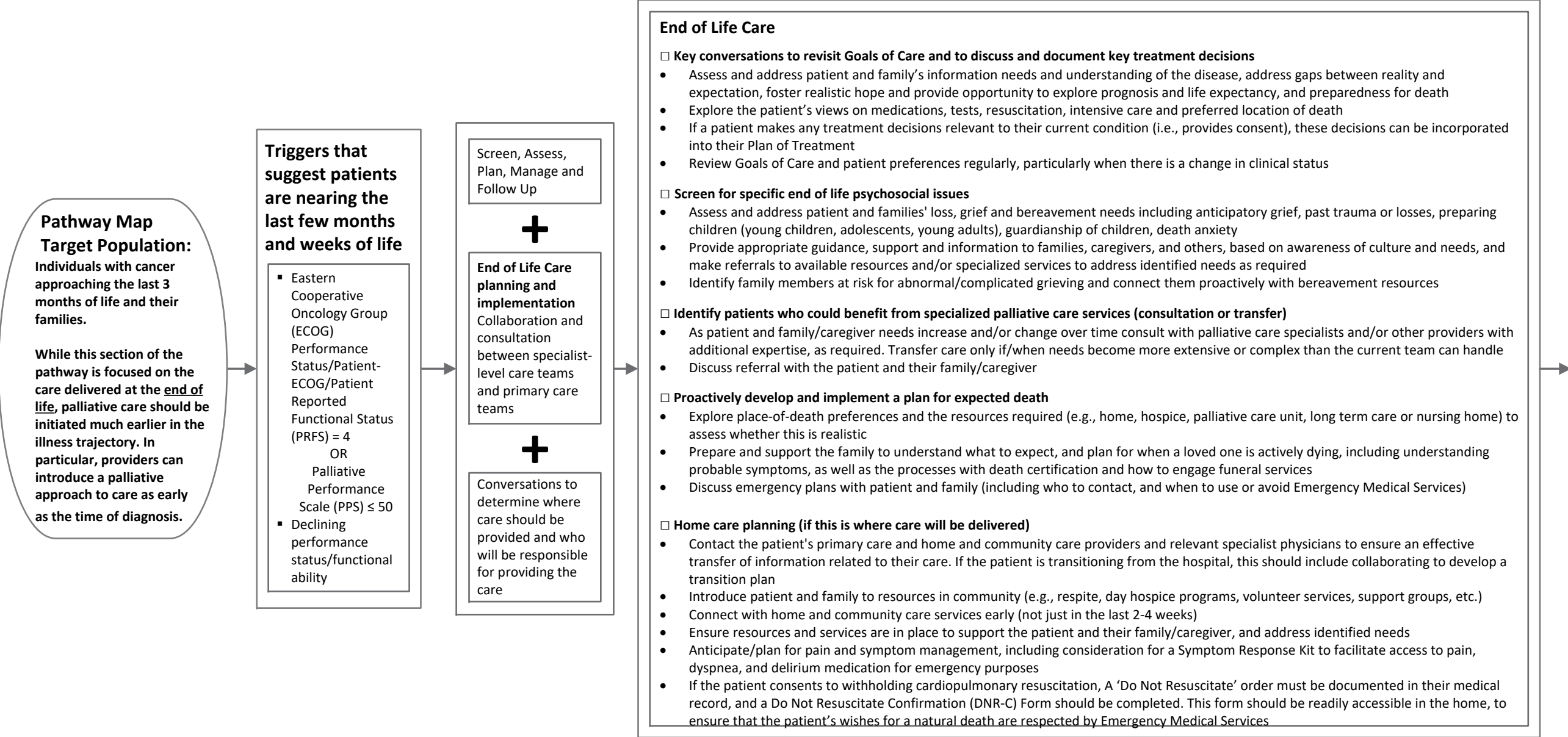


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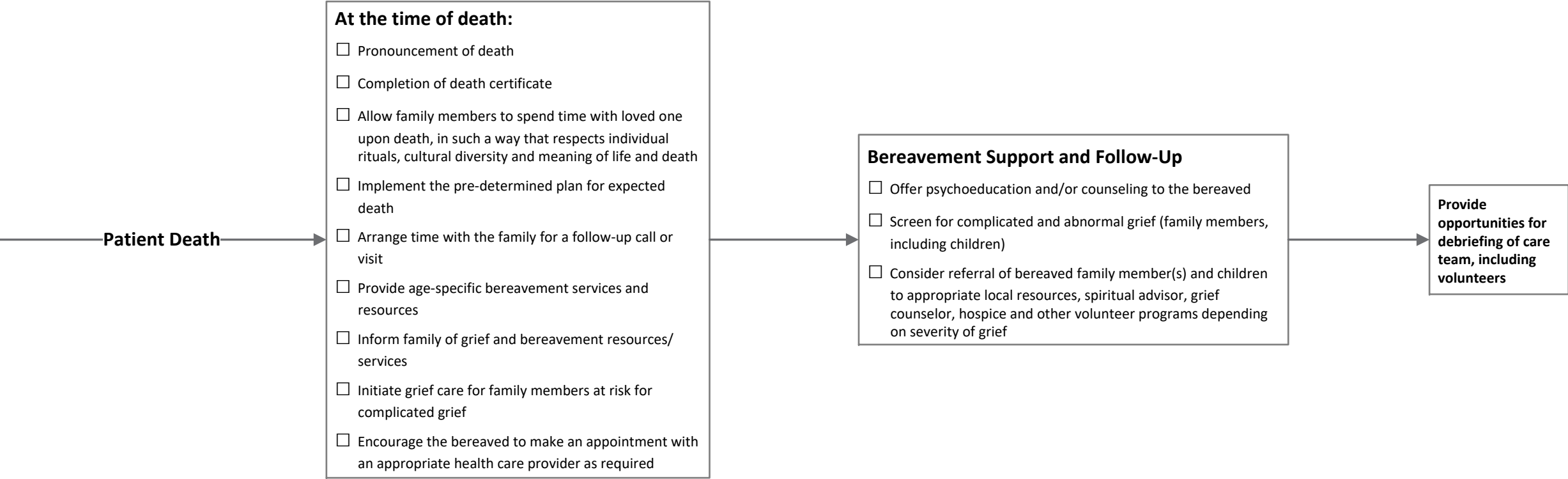
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