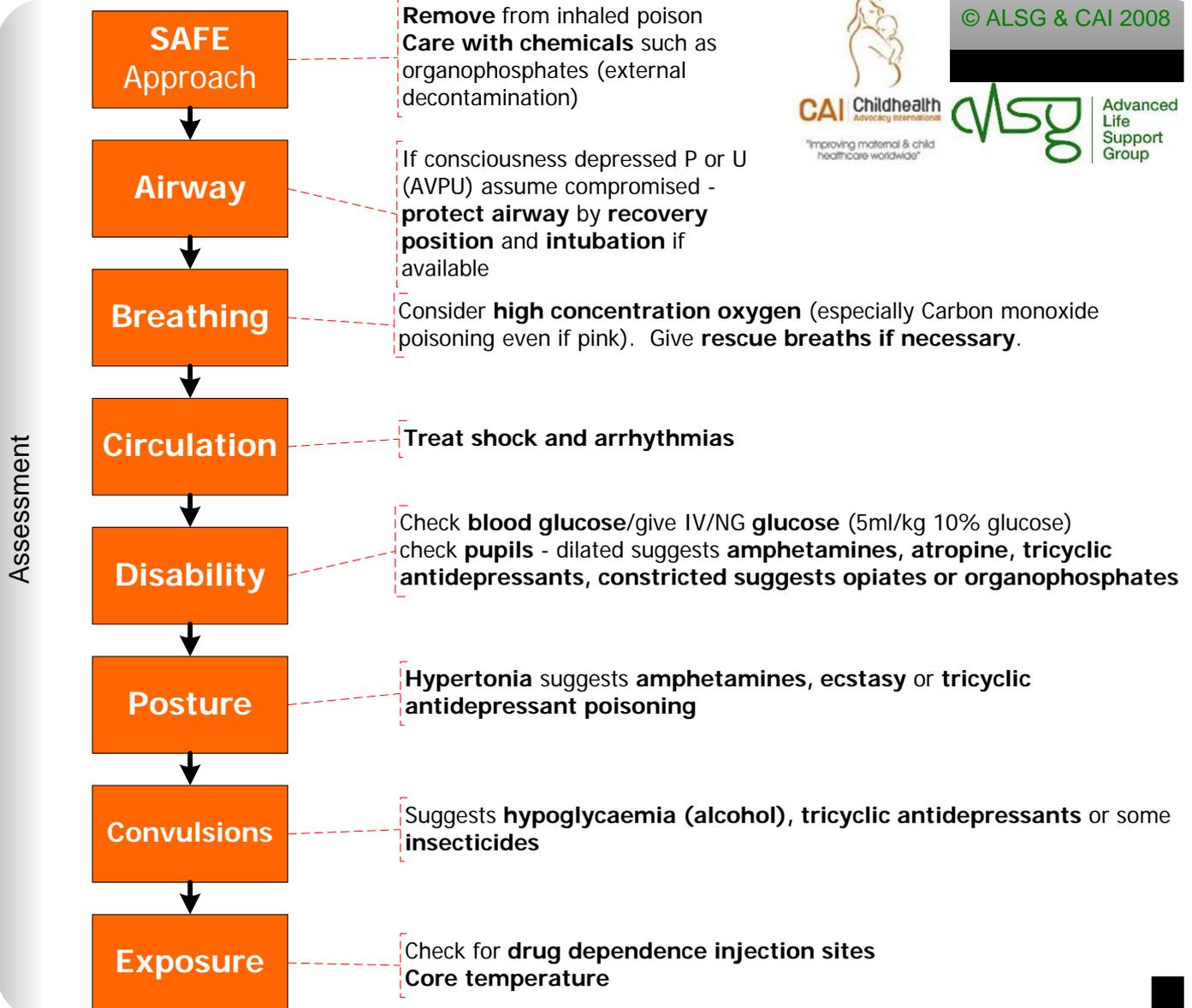


Poisoning in pregnancy

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Treatment

Drink **milk or water urgently** after caustic substances
Naloxone if **opiate** suspected (0.8-2mg IV repeated every 2-3 minutes to maximum dose of 10mg)
 Consider **phenytoin** if **tricyclic antidepressant poisoning** (15-20 mg/kg IV infusion over 30 minutes - not exceeding a dose rate of 50mg/minute then 2.5 to 7.5mg/kg 12 hourly)

Drug elimination

Activated charcoal 50 grams urgent (not useful alcohol/iron) - repeat after 4 hours
 OR
Gastric lavage (for high lethality ingestions) 250 ml 0.9% saline aliquots
 NOT after corrosives or petroleum products
Airway protection is essential if impaired consciousness