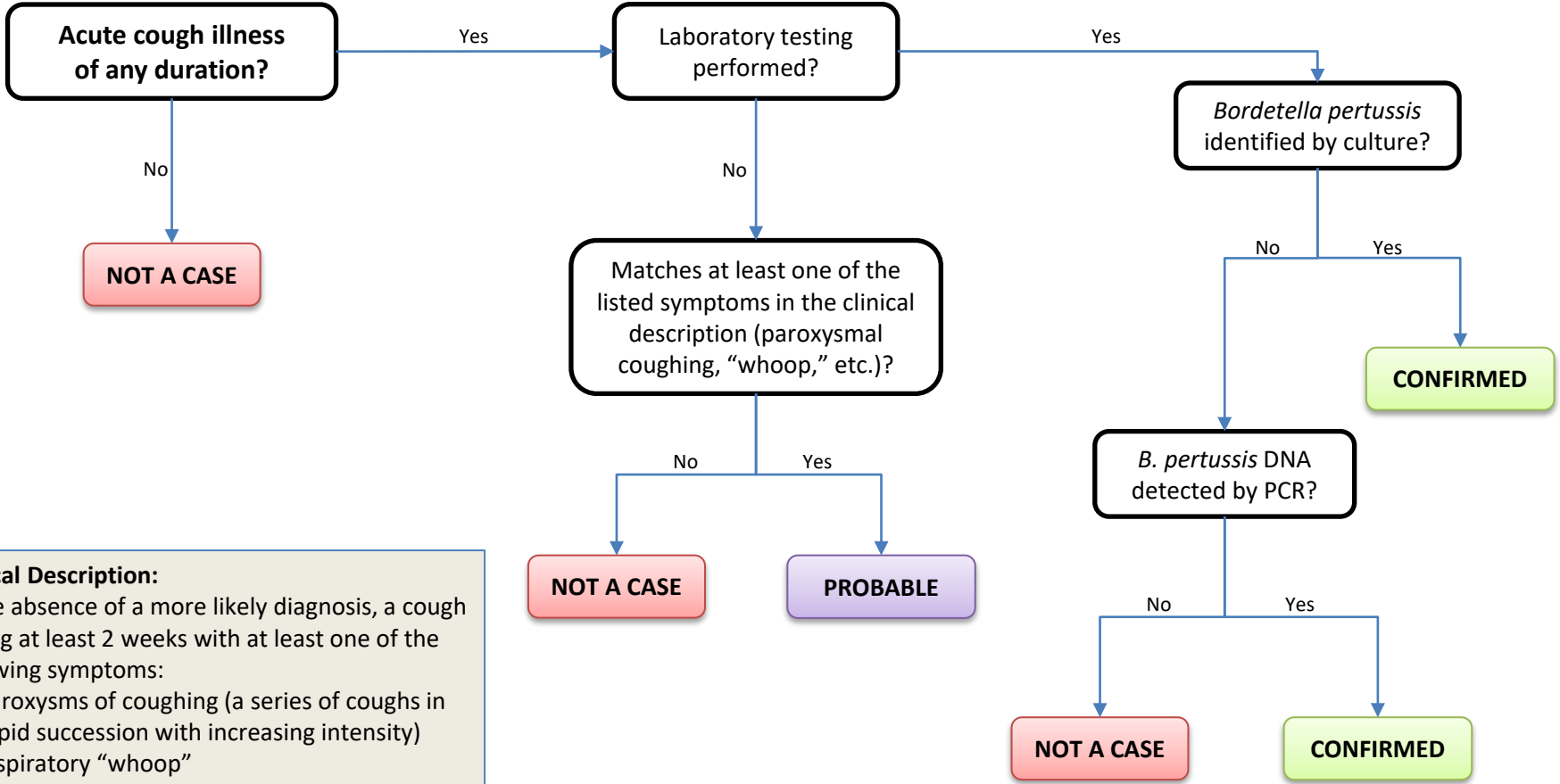


Pertussis

COMMON NAME: Whooping Cough



Clinical Description:
 In the absence of a more likely diagnosis, a cough lasting at least 2 weeks with at least one of the following symptoms:

- Paroxysms of coughing (a series of coughs in rapid succession with increasing intensity)
- Inspiratory "whoop"
- Post-tussive vomiting
- Apnea, with or without cyanosis

Critical Reporting Elements and Comments:

- Note the patient's pertussis immunization history.