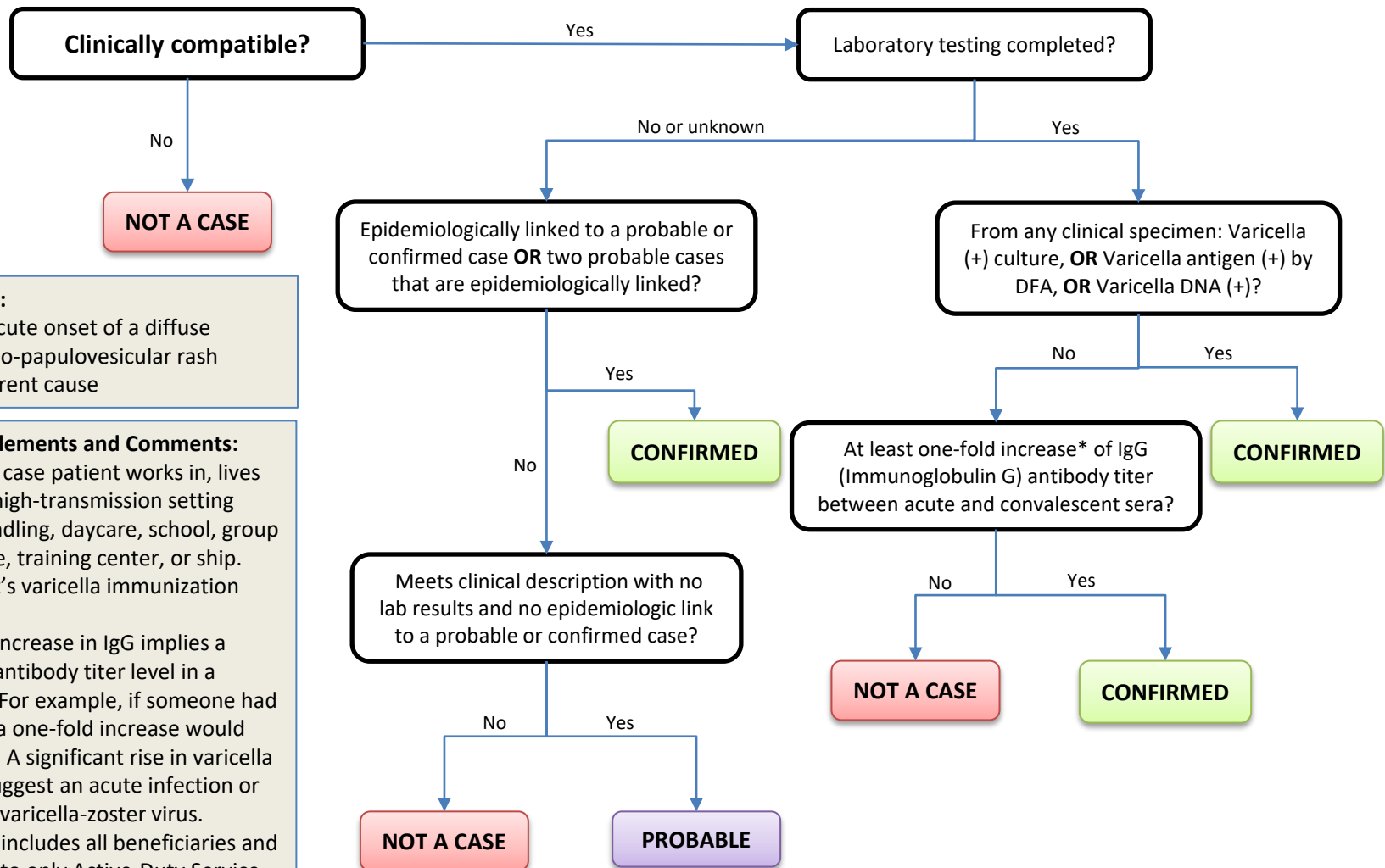


Varicella

Common Name: Chickenpox (varicella virus)
 EXCLUDES: Shingles (zoster virus, herpes zoster virus)



Clinical Description:
 An illness with an acute onset of a diffuse (generalized) maculo-papulovesicular rash without other apparent cause

Critical Reporting Elements and Comments:

- Document if the case patient works in, lives in, or attends a high-transmission setting such as food handling, daycare, school, group living, healthcare, training center, or ship.
- Note the patient’s varicella immunization history.
- A one-fold titer increase in IgG implies a doubling of the antibody titer level in a serological test. For example, if someone had a titer of 1:160, a one-fold increase would bring it to 1:320. A significant rise in varicella IgG titers may suggest an acute infection or reinfection with varicella-zoster virus.

This case definition includes all beneficiaries and is no longer limited to only Active-Duty Service members.