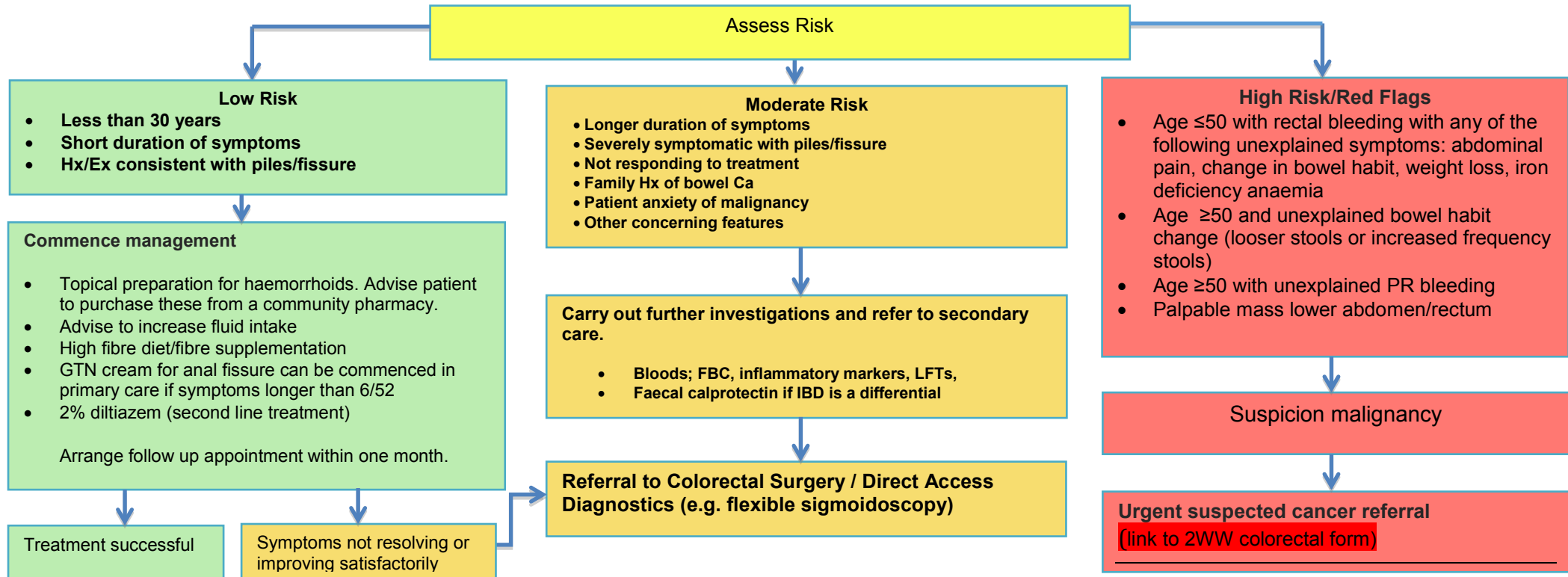


Rectal Bleeding

GP Assessment

- History** – Patient age, frequency and duration of symptoms, pain, other perianal symptoms, symptoms of anaemia, weight loss, change in bowel habit, sexual hx, family hx
- Examination** – abdominal examination, digital rectal examination
- Investigations** - FBC, Inflammatory markers, LFTs. Faecal Calprotectin may be indicated. tumour markers not indicated¹



Patient information leaflets:

- [PatientUK - Rectal Bleeding](#)
- [PatientUK- Piles](#)
- [PatientUK - Anal Fissure](#)
- [PatientUK - Colorectal cancer](#)

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