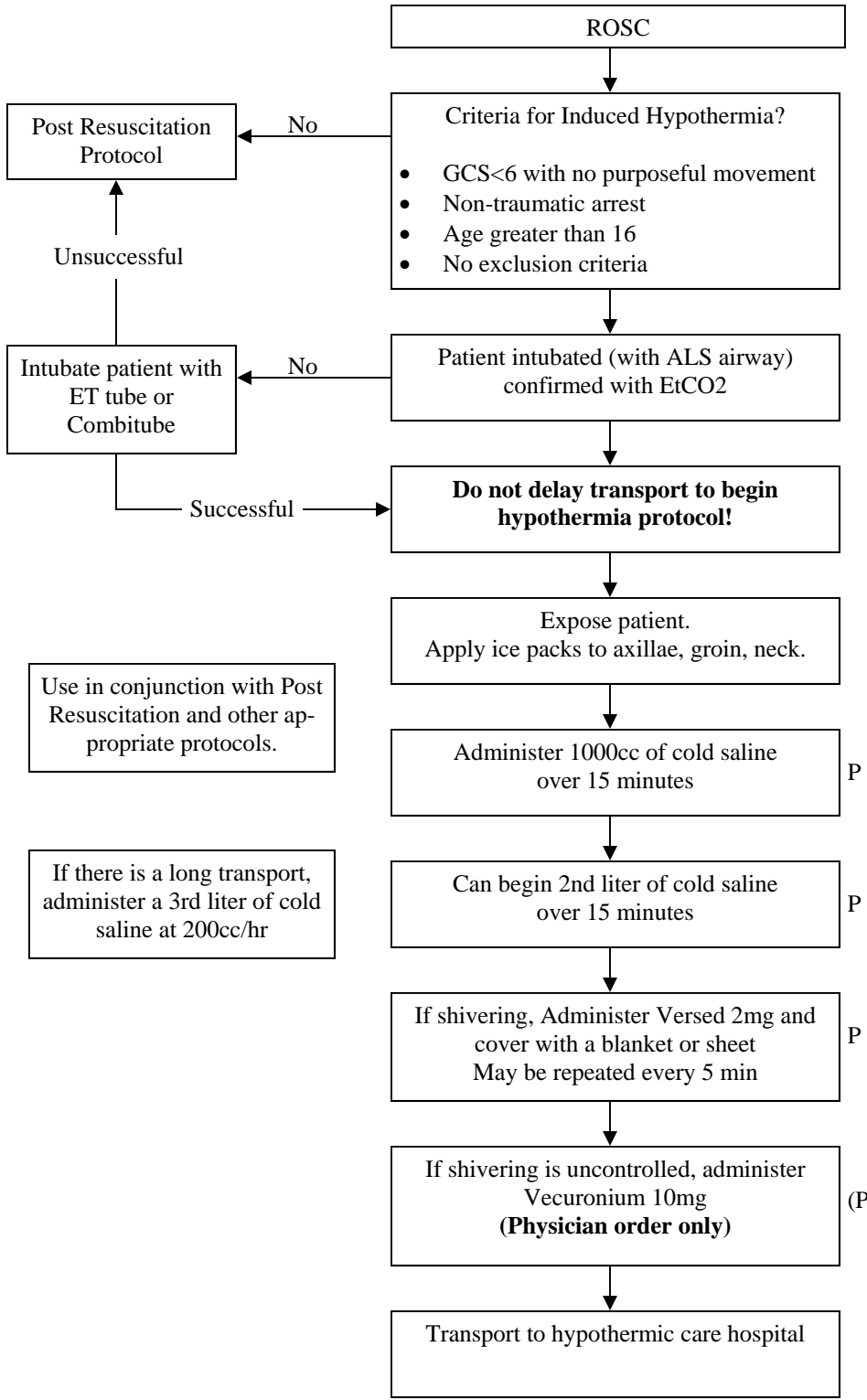


# VBEMS Post Arrest Cooling Protocol



- Exclusion criteria**
- If one or more of the following are present, **DO NOT** proceed with the protocol.
- DNR or terminal illness
  - Pregnancy
  - Known bleeding disorder
  - Known infection
  - Recent major surgery
  - Drug intoxication
  - Diminished neuro status prior to cardiac arrest
  - Responds to verbal commands
  - Unable to maintain BP
  - Total down time of more than 1 hour

Use in conjunction with Post Resuscitation and other appropriate protocols.

If there is a long transport, administer a 3rd liter of cold saline at 200cc/hr

**If patient loses pulse at any time, stop cooling and go to appropriate protocol.**

