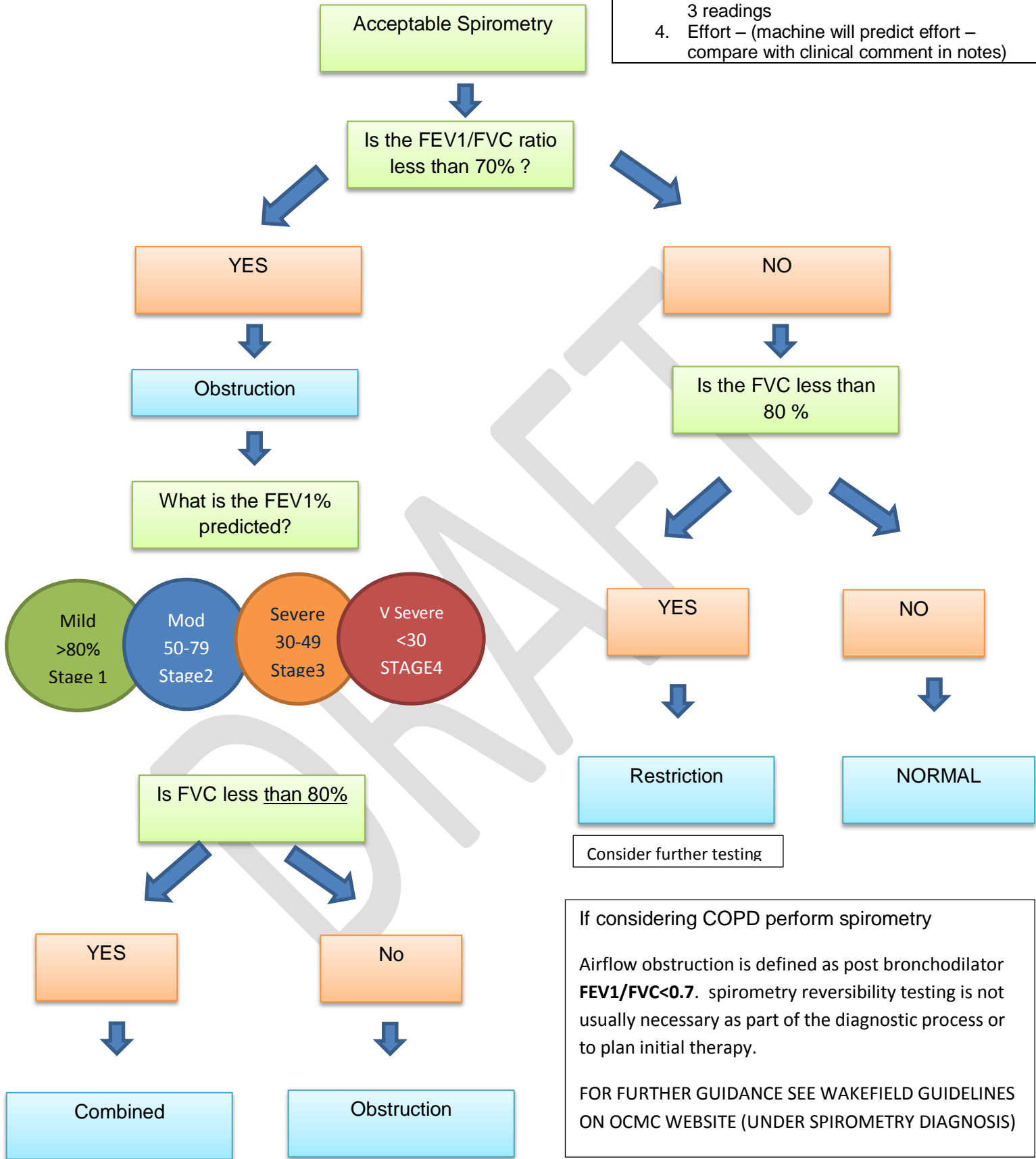


Spirometry interpretation

- Whats an acceptable spirometry?**
1. Patient details correctly recorded
 2. Graph shape – smooth lines – then read predicted curves
 3. Reproducibility +/- 5% or 100ml FEV1 over 3 readings
 4. Effort – (machine will predict effort – compare with clinical comment in notes)



If considering COPD perform spirometry

Airflow obstruction is defined as post bronchodilator **FEV1/FVC<0.7**. spirometry reversibility testing is not usually necessary as part of the diagnostic process or to plan initial therapy.

FOR FURTHER GUIDANCE SEE WAKEFIELD GUIDELINES ON OCMC WEBSITE (UNDER SPIROMETRY DIAGNOSIS)