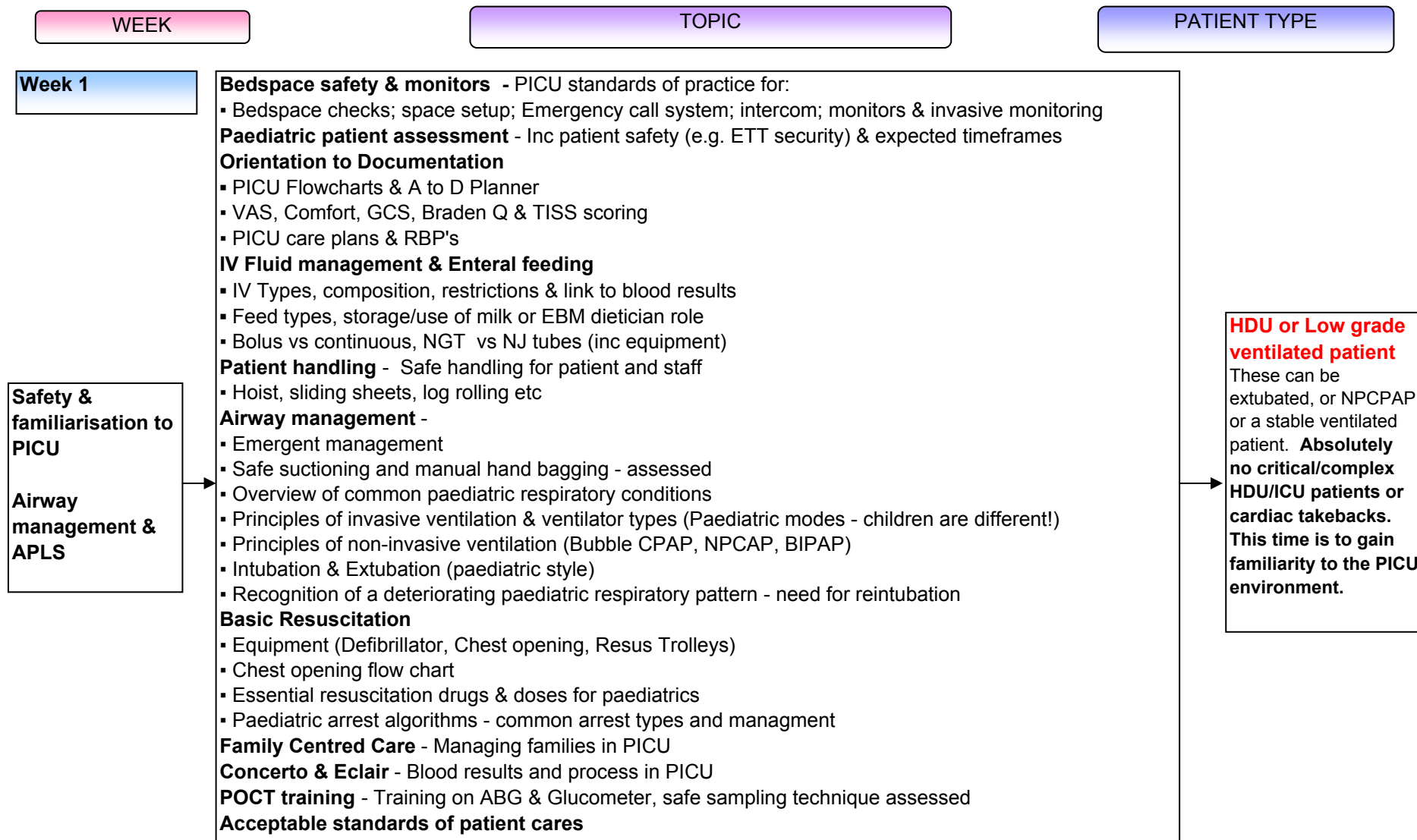
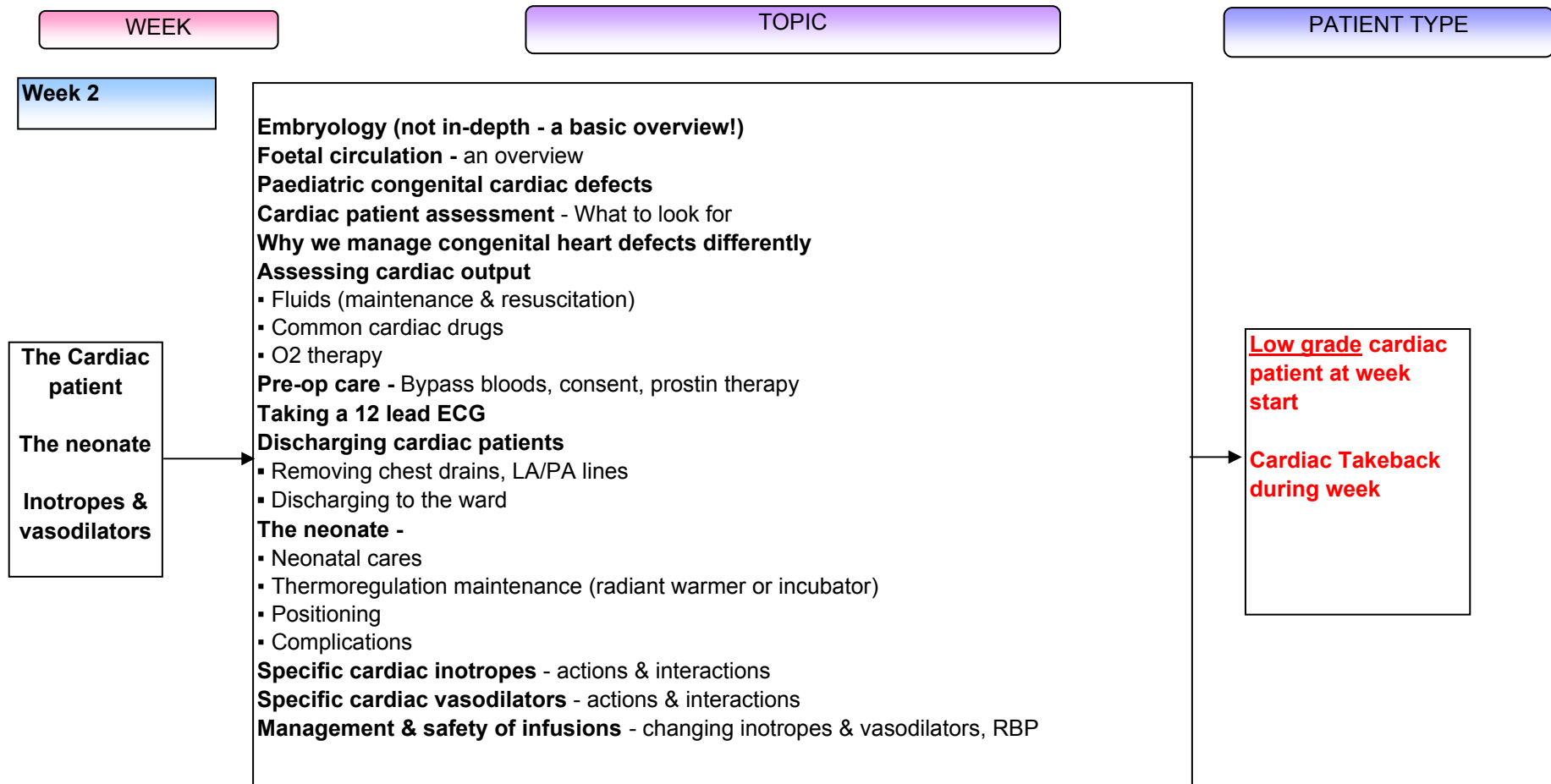


## PICU 4 Week Experienced in Similar Speciality Orientation Flowchart



**Safety & familiarisation to PICU**

**Airway management & APLS**



The Cardiac patient  
The neonate  
Inotropes & vasodilators

WEEK

TOPIC

PATIENT TYPE

Week 3

**Congenital Cardiac patients/Patient focus/Neonates**

**Congenital cardiac defects continued**

**Post op Cardiac patient management**

- Cardiac patient takeback protocol (nursing roles) & RBP
- Pacing & paediatric rhythm/arrhythmia recognition
- Emergent chest opening procedure
- Patient with an open chest/chest closure (theory not practical!!)
- PD & renal failure post op

**Take a cardiac patient post operatively**

**Cardiac Takeback**

**Ideally a neonatal cardiac patient** (simple non complex condition)

**Sepsis/  
The high acuity  
general patient**

**Common causes of sepsis/shock in paediatrics**

**Recognition of deteriorating child**

**Management of shock** (compensated/decompensated)

**SIRS & DIC basic principles**

**ARDS in children**

**Ventilated patient**

Moderate ventilated patient - can be cardiac or general patient type. Ideally with 1- 2 inotropes in situ.

**Patient with Sepsis ideal but not a complex/high acuity ventilated patient on multiple inotropes.**

WEEK

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Week 4

Consolidation week

Any issues identified by preceptor or new staff to re-cap on.

Patients should be from any of the previous weeks categories as suitable to individual learning needs.

*This week is to help consolidate practice before coming off orientation and should be self directed.*

**Ventilated patient.**

Not a complex/high acuity ventilated patient.

**Patient management should be increasingly done by new staff, in preparation for coming off orientation. Preceptors should have minimal input/supportive role only.**

**Some Suggestions for other topics...**

**EVD's** - safety and management

**The importance of fluid restrictions**

**Care of the dying child**

**NAI's** - A brief overview - CYFS & flow chart

**Patient transfers** - CT Scanning/transfers

**SIADH & Diabetes insipidus**

**"Little people"** - Request neonates and children for adult ICU nurses new to PICU

**"Big people"** - request the elder patient (ie not a neonate) for nurses from NICU