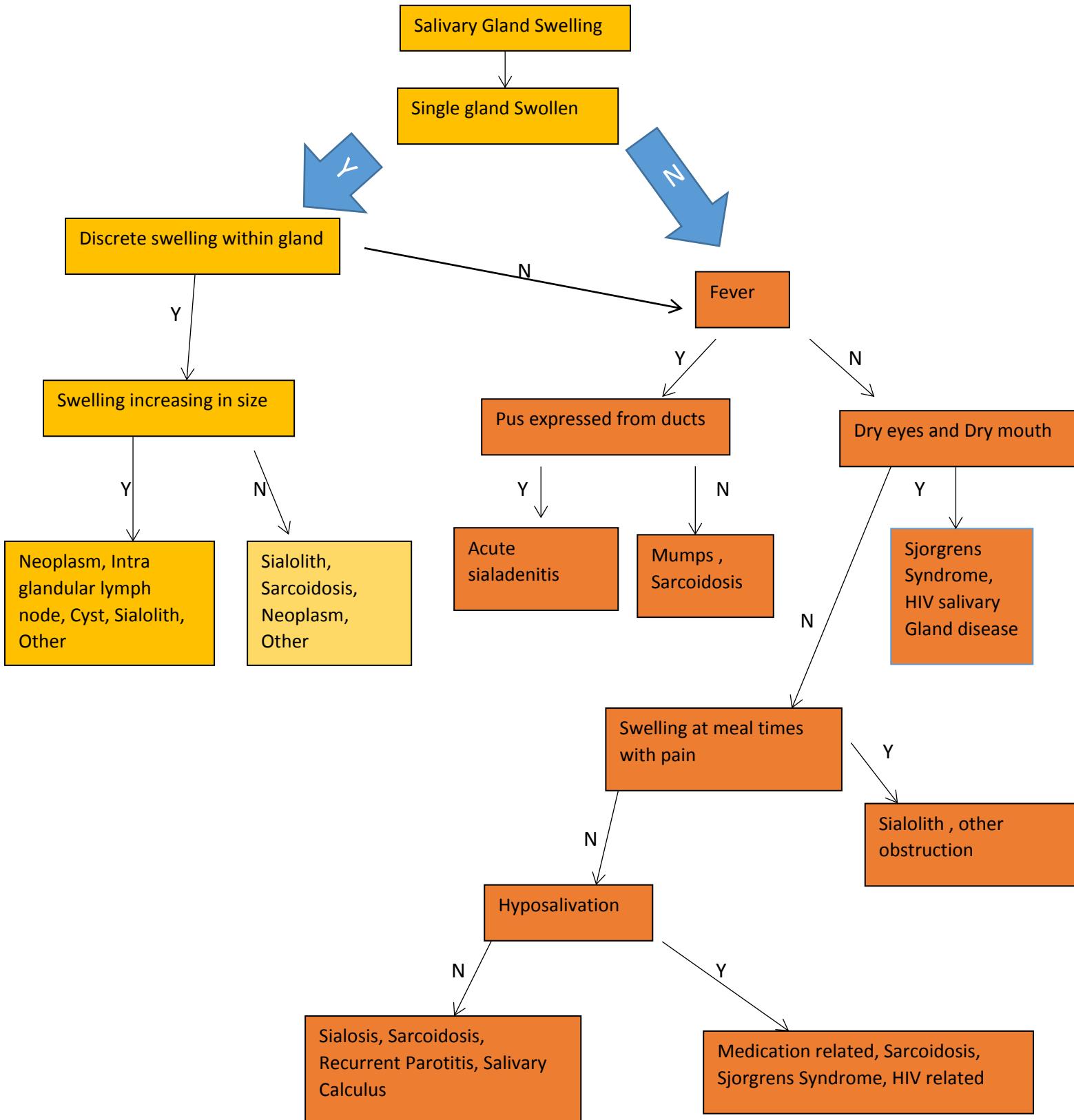


Salivary Gland Conditions

Differential diagnosis of salivary Gland Swelling:



Special tests for salivary gland dysfunction:

1. Blood Tests- Sjorgrens Syndrome, Inflammation
2. CT Scan- Salivary Calculi, Space occupying lesion
3. MRI Scan- Space occupying lesion
4. Salivary Gland Biopsy- Labial gland (Sarcodosis, Sjorgrens), FNA- Abnormal cells
5. Sialography- Calculi, Sjorgrens
6. Sialometry- Salivary flow
7. Scintigraphy- tumour, obstruction
8. Ultrasound- Being used more

Summary of causes of dry mouth:

1. Iatrogenic- Drugs, Procedures (Irradiation, Chemotherapy, Bone marrow Transplant, Graft v Host)
2. Inflammatory- Sjorgrens syndrome, Sarcodosis
3. Infective- HCV, HIV, HTLV-1 *
4. Others- Amyloidosis, Cystic fibrosis, Ectodermal dysplasia, Salivary gland aplasia
5. Dehydration- Kidney disease, Diabetes, Diarrhoea, Hyperthyroid, Severe haemorrhage
6. Psychogenic- Anxiety, Bulimia nervosa, Depression, Hypochondriasis**

*- Human T-Lymphotropic Virus causes an adult T-cell leukaemia/lymphoma like disease

**- Health anxiety , worry about having a serious illness