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GUIDANCE ON TARGETED PATIENT GROUPS FOR INHALED SEDATION

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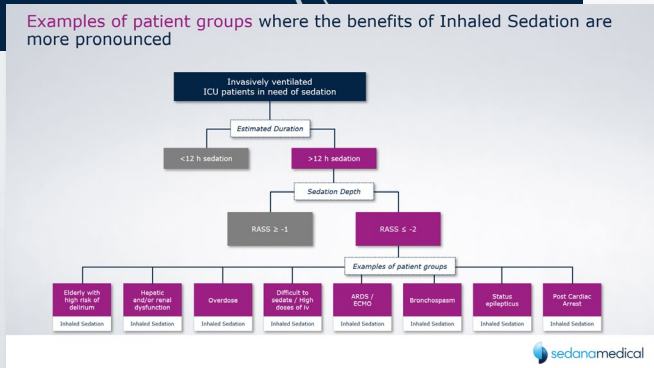
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Frequently Asked Questions FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY

FAQ Patient Categories

1	What is Sedacorda (isoflurane)?	Sedacorda is Sedana Medical's newly approved inhaled anaesthetic with the indication "sedation of mechanically ventilated adult patients during intensive care". Sedacorda is the only inhaled anaesthetic with this indication. The approval is based on the largest randomised controlled trial on inhaled sedation, the Sedacorda study.
2	Where is Sedacorda (isoflurane) approved?	The approval of Sedacorda has gone through a so-called accelerated procedure (CEP) with 13 European countries included. We received approval of the application in July and are now in the process of obtaining the national approvals in each country which take about 1-3 months. Fifteen countries in Europe were included in the CEP: Austria, Belgium, Croatia, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovenia, Spain and Sweden.
3	When will Sedacorda (isoflurane) be available to order in the US countries?	We are working hard to make the product available as soon as possible. It will likely take around 3-4 months after national approval before the product has been produced and is available on the shelf to order.
4	Will you apply for marketing authorisation for Sedacorda (isoflurane) in other countries?	Sedana Medical has an ambition to make inhaled sedation with Sedacorda delivered via the Sedacorda ACD a standard therapy in intensive care units around the world. We are currently evaluating the possibility to register inhaled sedation with Sedacorda in additional countries, also outside of Europe.
5	What will be the price for Sedacorda (isoflurane)?	The price will be different across countries depending on local procedures. The price was not set yet and local price will be finalised around the time when the product is available to order. The price will likely be quite comparable to the price of the inhaled anaesthetics available on the market today.
6	What is the Sedacorda study (SEDO01)?	The Sedacorda study (SEDO01) is Sedana Medical's pivotal phase III study and was the base for our application for market approval of Sedacorda (isoflurane). The study is the largest randomised controlled trial on inhaled sedation. The primary endpoint showed that Sedacorda administered via Sedacorda ACD is an effective sedation method for ventilated ICU patients, comparable to propofol. Secondary objectives in the study showed that Sedacorda, compared with propofol, enables a faster and more predictable wake-up and cognitive recovery, and a reduced need of opioids. The safety profile of Sedacorda was consistent with previously known findings for isoflurane. The full-length manuscript of the Sedacorda study is available online in the prestigious journal The Lancet Respiratory Medicine.
7	How does Sedacorda work?	Sedacorda has sedative and anaesthetic properties. Although the exact mechanism for the anaesthetic action is not fully understood, it is generally accepted that inhaled anaesthetics alter neuronal function by modulating excitatory and inhibitory synaptic transmission. The anaesthetic action of isoflurane is thought to be mediated by multiple mechanisms, including agonistic effects on neurotransmitter-gated ion channels, such as gamma-aminobutyric acid (GABA) and glycine receptors, and antagonistic effects on the N-methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA) receptors in the central nervous system to produce amnesia and sedation. Inhaled anaesthetics in general also have sites of action within the spinal cord that contribute to skeletal muscle relaxation and inhibition of afferent nociceptive signalling.
8	Can Sedacorda be given to all invasively mechanically ventilated patients?	Sedacorda is contraindicated for patients with hypersensitivity to isoflurane or other halogenated volatile anaesthetic agents, and patients with known or suspected genetic susceptibility to malignant hyperthermia. Most other patients can be sedated with Sedacorda but caution should be used in patients with closed head injuries if there is a sign of raised ICP, and ICP must be monitored in these patients. There is no or limited data regarding the safety on pregnant patients and studies in animals have shown reproductive toxicity. Therefore, a risk-benefit analysis should be performed in every case. Patients with neuromuscular disorders (e.g. Duchenne disease) are more susceptible to malignant hyperthermia (MH) and caution should therefore be exercised.



“ARDS/ECMO” – Rationale for Inhaled Sedation

- Multiple organ failure (MOF) is very common in ARDS¹
- MOF complicates iv sedative drug elimination with a significant risk for slow and unpredictable wake-up²
- Inhaled sedation studies in ARDS demonstrate opioid-sparing effects and more spontaneous ventilation³⁻⁵
- The simple elimination of inhaled sedatives via exhalation makes it particularly suitable for these patients
- Recent international ARDS expert recommendations propose inhaled sedation in patients difficult to sedate with iv drugs⁶
- Several studies indicate the feasibility to use inhaled sedation on ECMO patients⁷⁻⁹

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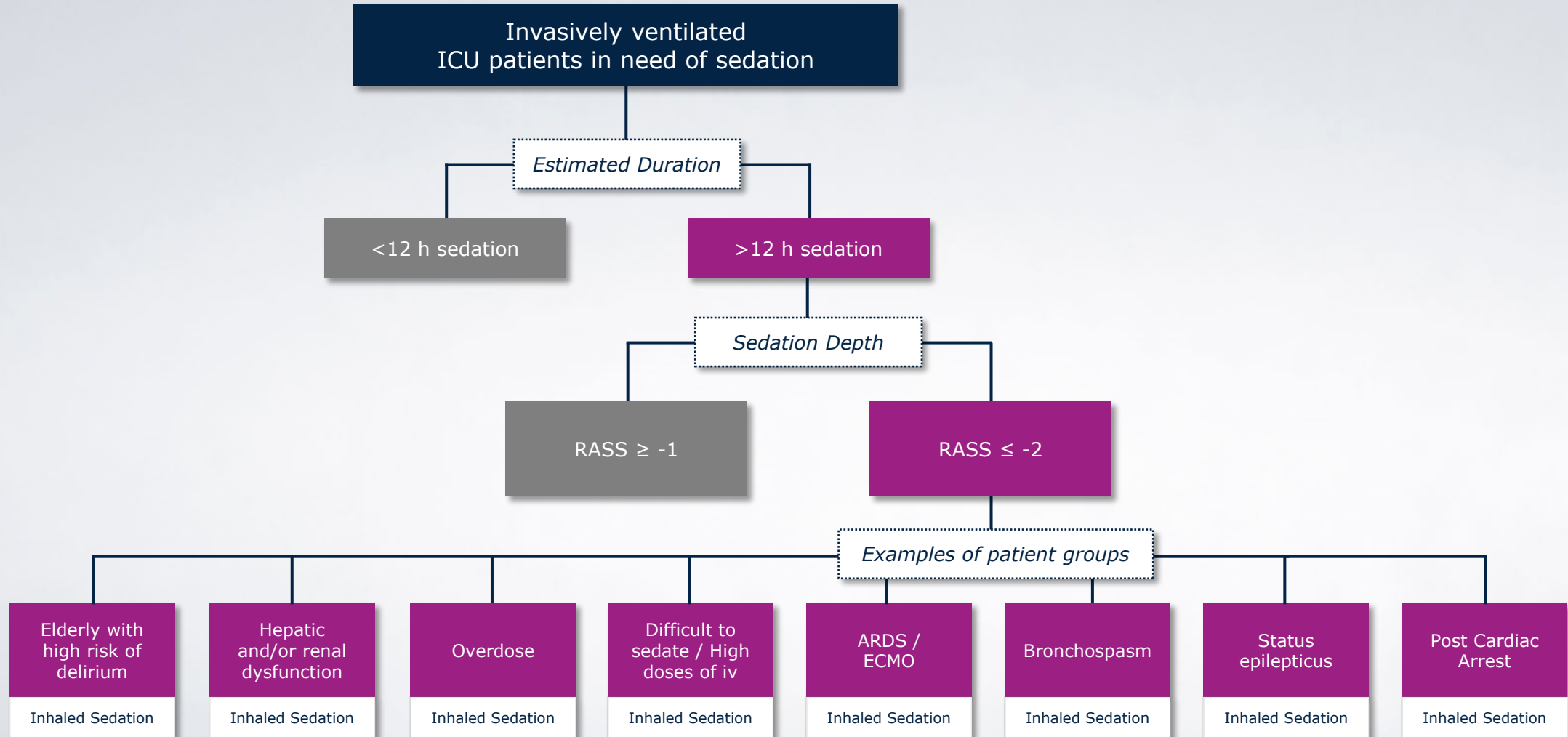
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Which patients are recommended for a **new ICU** to **start with**? (Secure a first positive experience)

- Start with a patient group common in the ICU (site-specific)
 - Familiarity and “comfortable” to treat
 - Avoid the stress of a “difficult” patient AND a new therapy
 - Easy to evaluate the difference between inhaled sedation and standard of care
 - To get momentum and not have to wait for “the right” patient
- Find patients with a high likelihood of a “wow” moment
 - Patients with need of a quick wake-up
 - Difficult to sedate patient, high doses of iv sedatives and/or polypharmacy

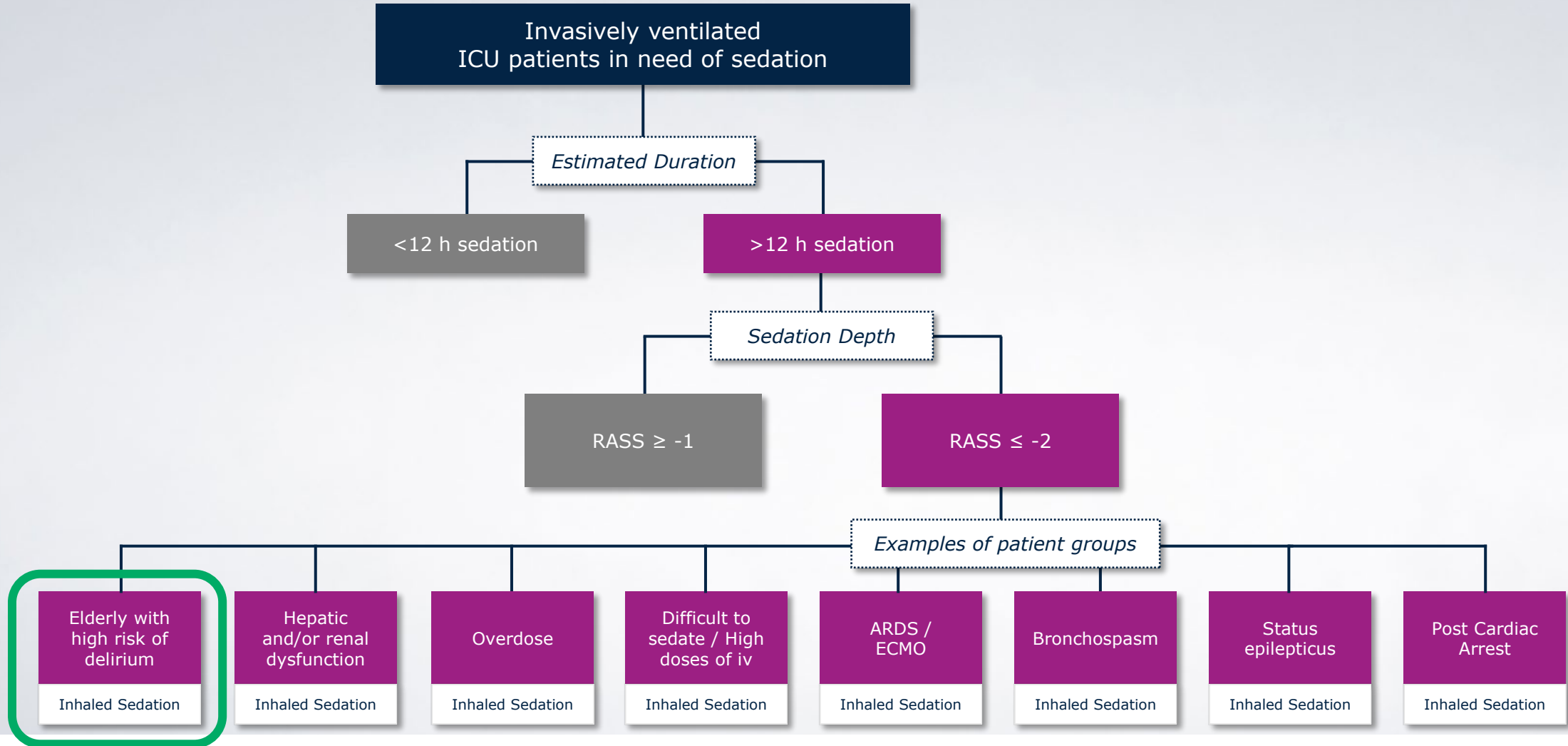
! Do NOT start with a severely ill patient with bad prognosis.
The likelihood of a first positive experience is low.

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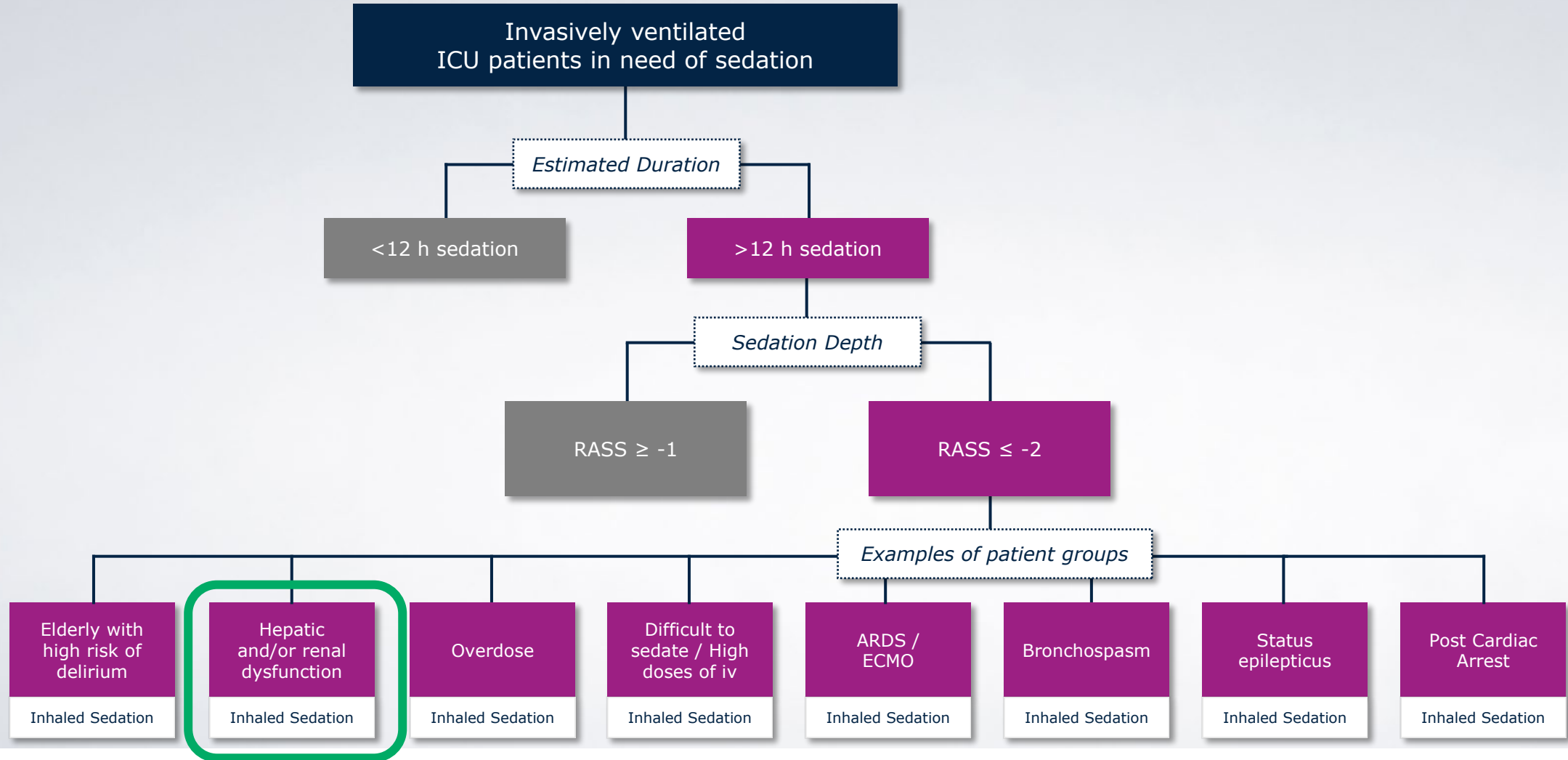
"Elderly with high risk of delirium" – Rationale for Inhaled Sedation

- High age is a risk factor for delirium¹
- Elderly ICU patients have reduced metabolic capacity secondary to:
 - reduced hepatic blood flow²
 - reduced renal blood flow³
 - co-morbidities

This affects the elimination of iv sedatives and analgesics²

- Wake-up from isoflurane sedation is short and predictable with no indications of age differences^{4,5}
- Patients follow verbal commands and write their home address in the hours after isoflurane sedation⁴⁻⁸
- Rapid wake-up is consistent with the absence of delirium⁹

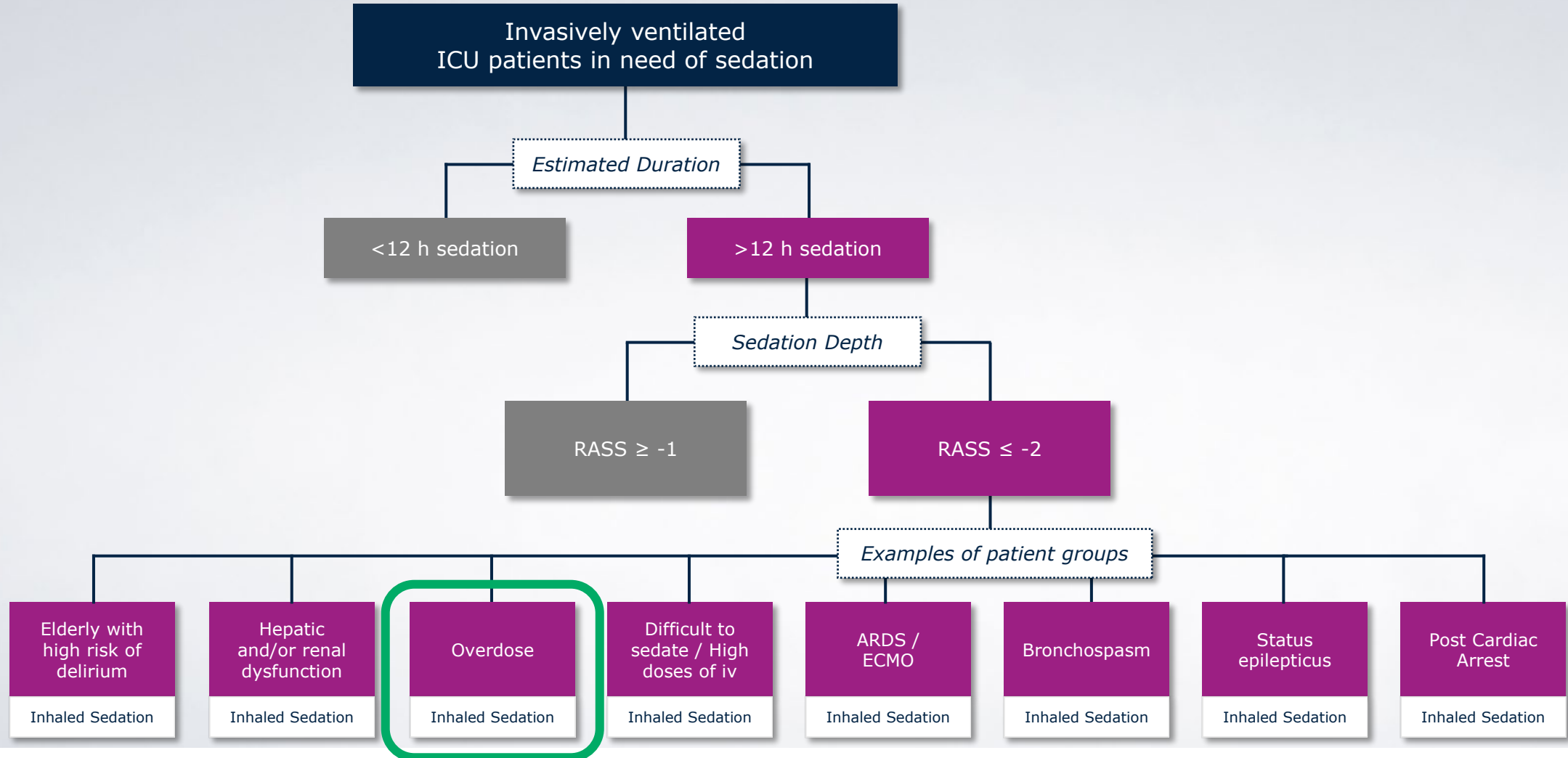
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"Hepatic and/or renal dysfunction" – Rationale for Inhaled Sedation

- Elimination of propofol and midazolam depend on hepatic metabolism^{1,2}
- Elimination of midazolam and some opioids depend on renal function^{3,4}
- Isoflurane elimination and recovery from sedation do not depend on liver or kidneys functions⁵

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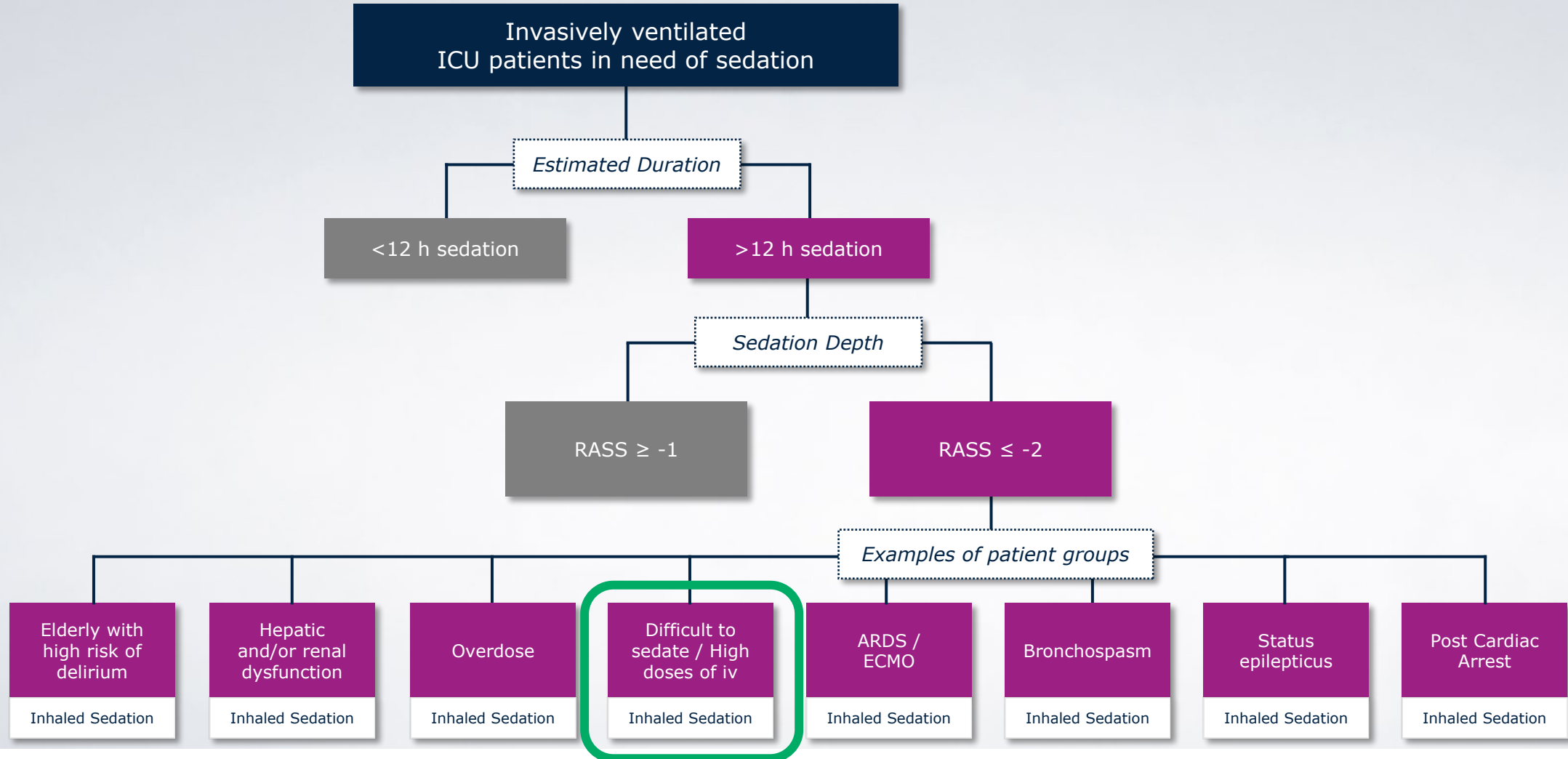


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“Overdose” – rationale for Inhaled Sedation

- The pharmacokinetics of isoflurane enables
 - wake-up and extubation within minutes¹⁻³
 - early return of cognitive function¹⁻³
- A rapid transition from sedation to wide awake within minutes may facilitate early patient cooperation.

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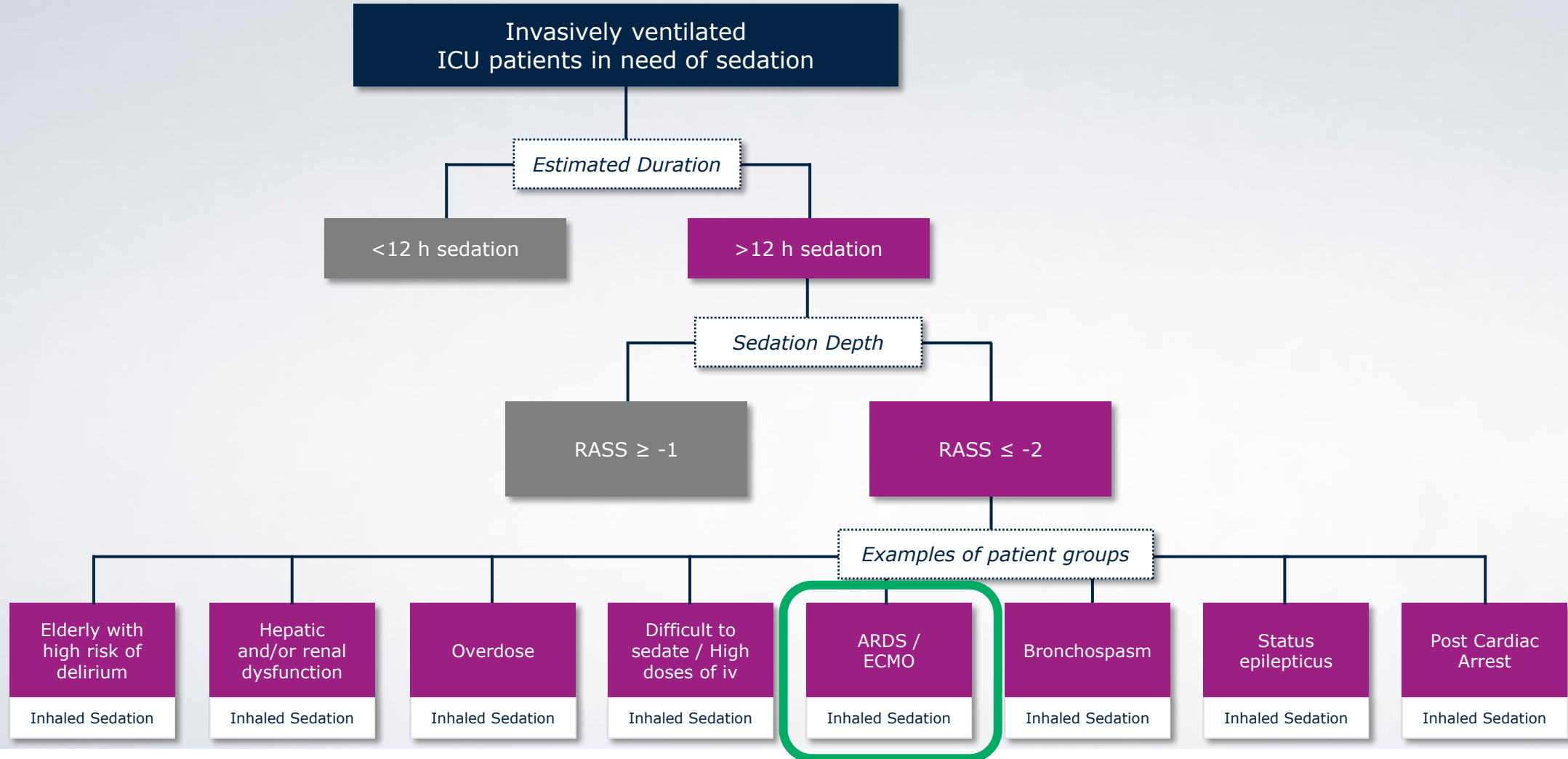


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“Difficult to sedate / High doses of iv” – Rationale for Inhaled Sedation

- The difficult to sedate patient needs high doses or multiple sedatives and analgesics
- High doses of intravenous sedatives and opioids increase the risk of significant side effects¹⁻³
- Isoflurane can replace polypharmacy and reduce opioid needs⁴⁻⁶
- There are no published reports of isoflurane non-responders to date

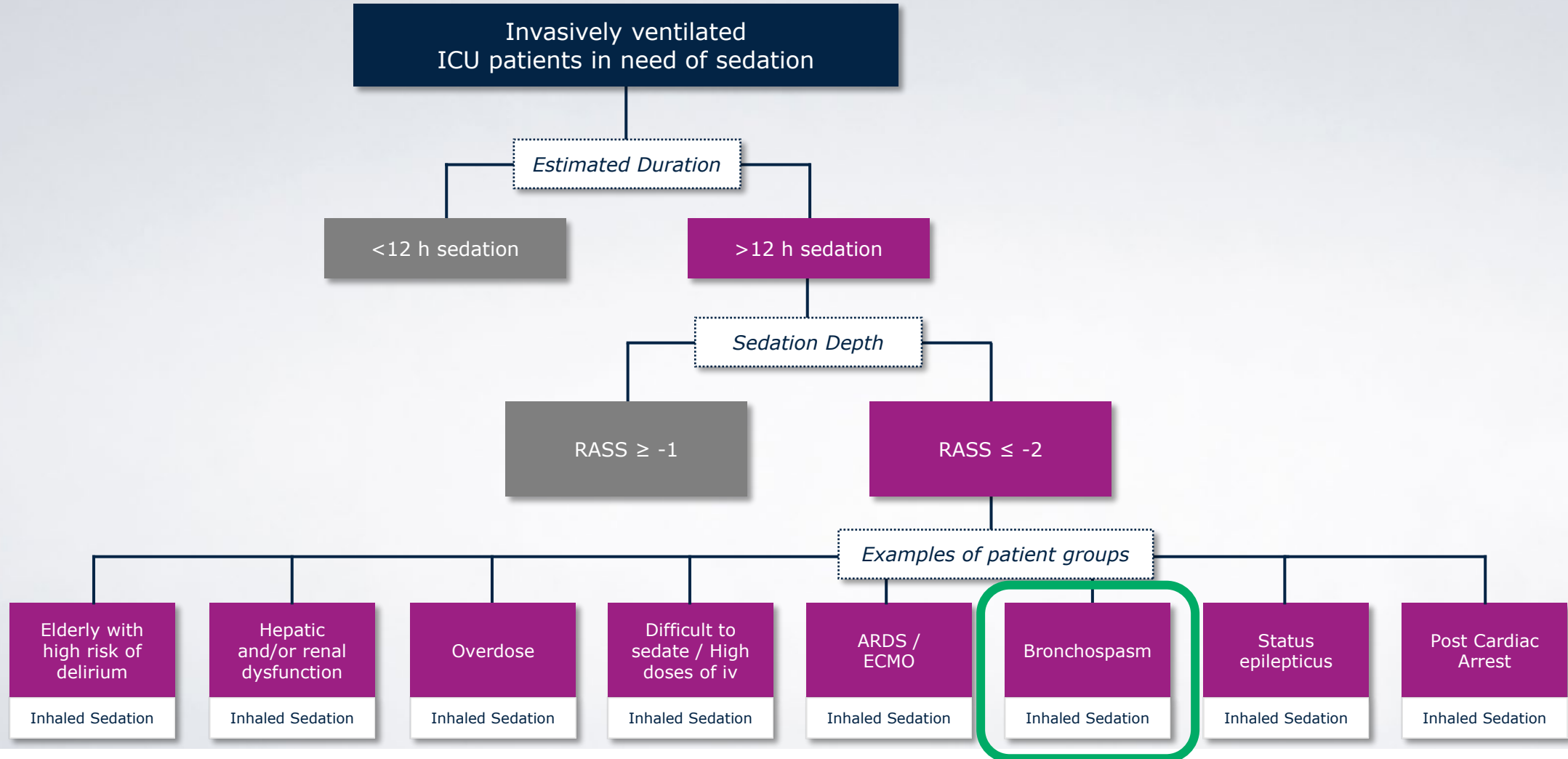
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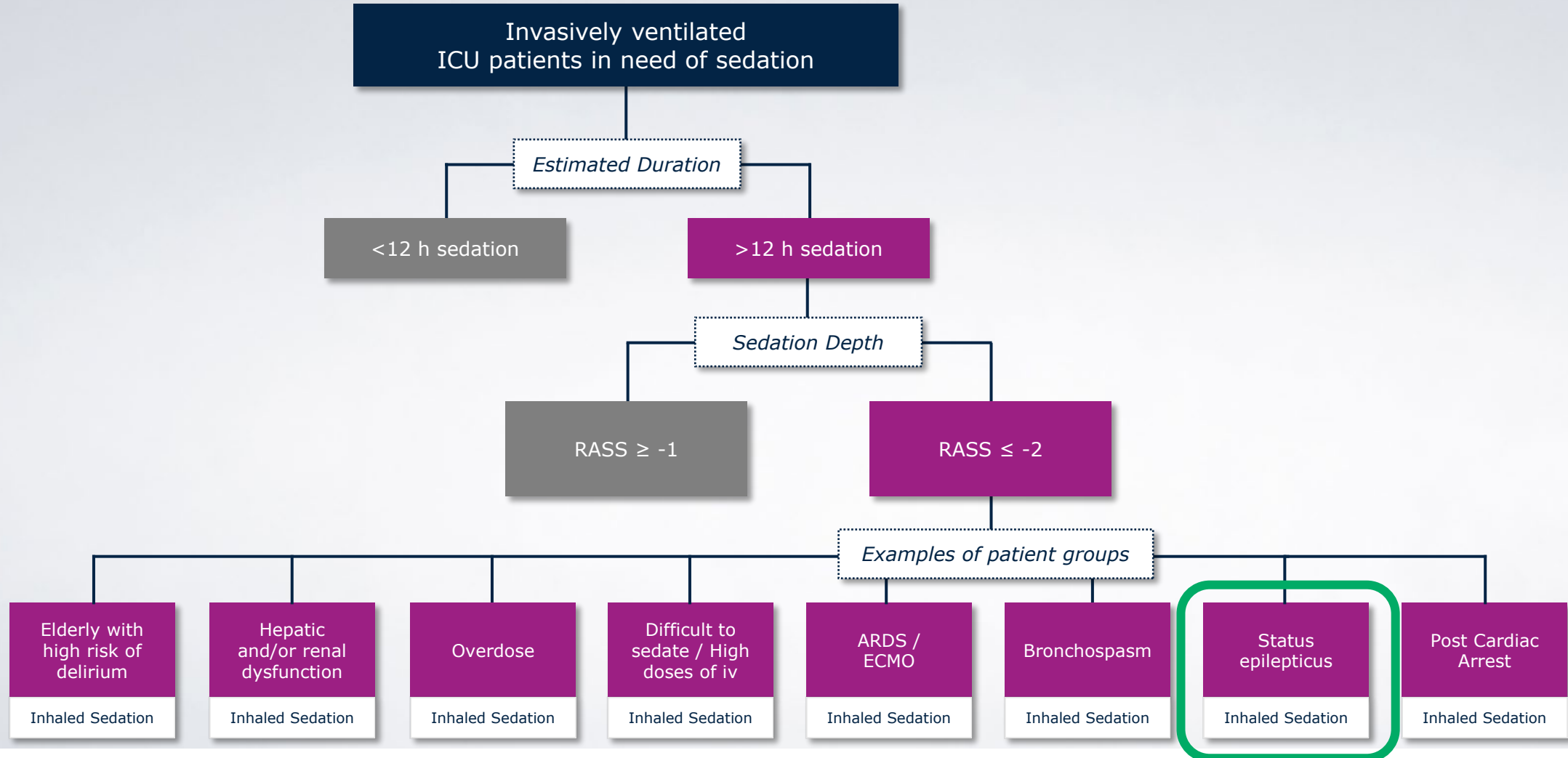
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"Bronchospasm" – Rationale for Inhaled Sedation

- The bronchodilator effects of isoflurane have been utilized in the management of severe asthma for decades.
- Case series and reports in children and adults with therapy-refractory asthma demonstrate how respiratory acidosis is reversed and pulmonary mechanics improve over hours¹⁻⁵
- Doses may be somewhat higher than merely for sedation^{4,5}

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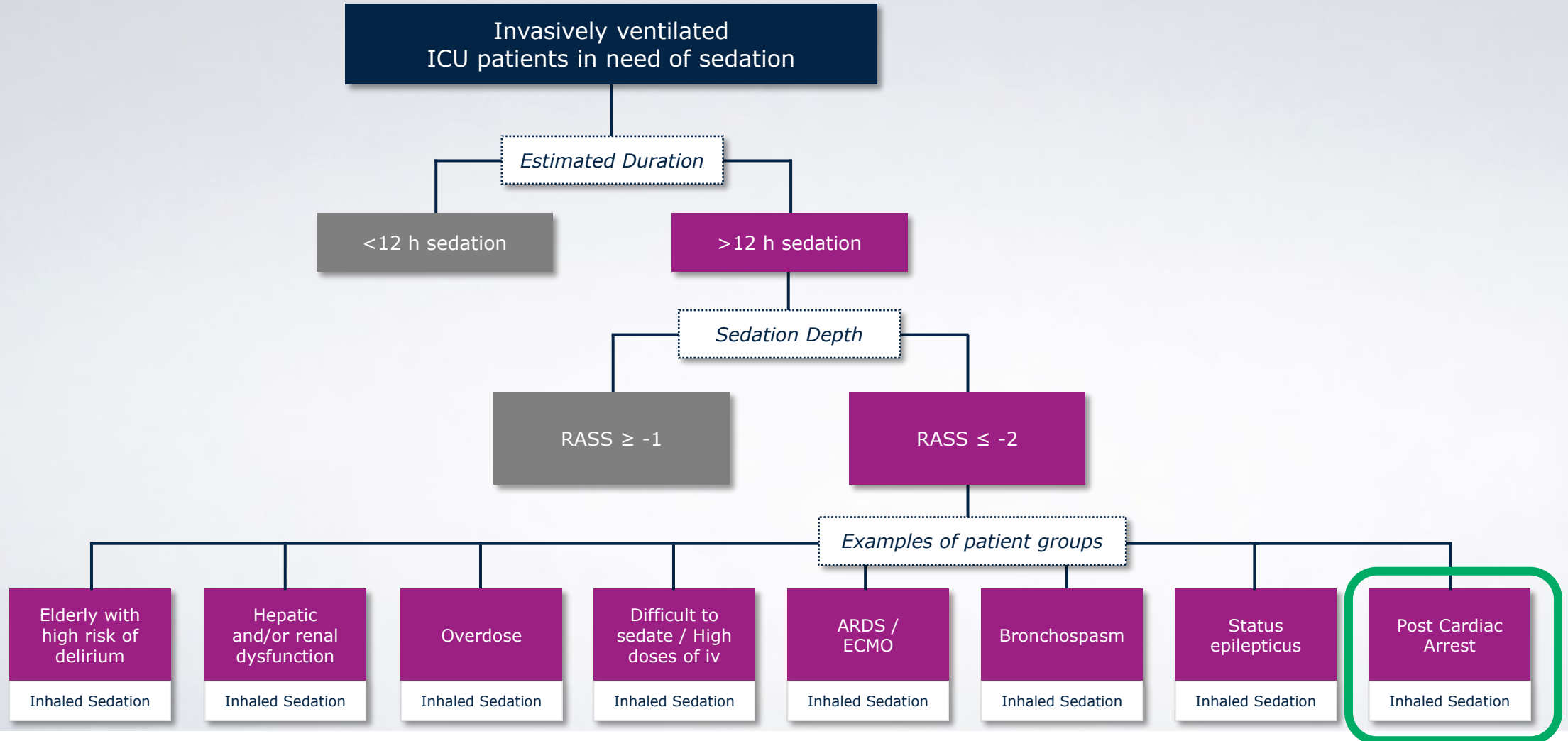


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"Status epilepticus" - Rationale for Inhaled Sedation

- Isoflurane has been used as a rescue medication to manage status epilepticus on patients of all ages¹⁻³
- Isoflurane effectively abolishes epileptic activity at end-tidal concentrations^{2,3} slightly higher than that used for sedation in general ICU patients^{4,5}

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"Post Cardiac Arrest" – Rationale for Inhaled Sedation

- Patients undergoing targeted temperature management (TTM) need to be deeply sedated in order to tolerate cooling and avoid shivering¹
- Neurological assessment is the centerpiece of prognostication after TTM¹
- Metabolic rate is reduced during hypothermia, leading to
 - accumulation of intravenous sedatives and opioids², which are potentially confounding neurological assessment after TTM
- Fast elimination of isoflurane contributes to reliable wake-up after isoflurane sedation^{3,4}
- Isoflurane sedation after TTM has been associated with shorter ventilator time and ICU time compared to iv sedation⁴



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