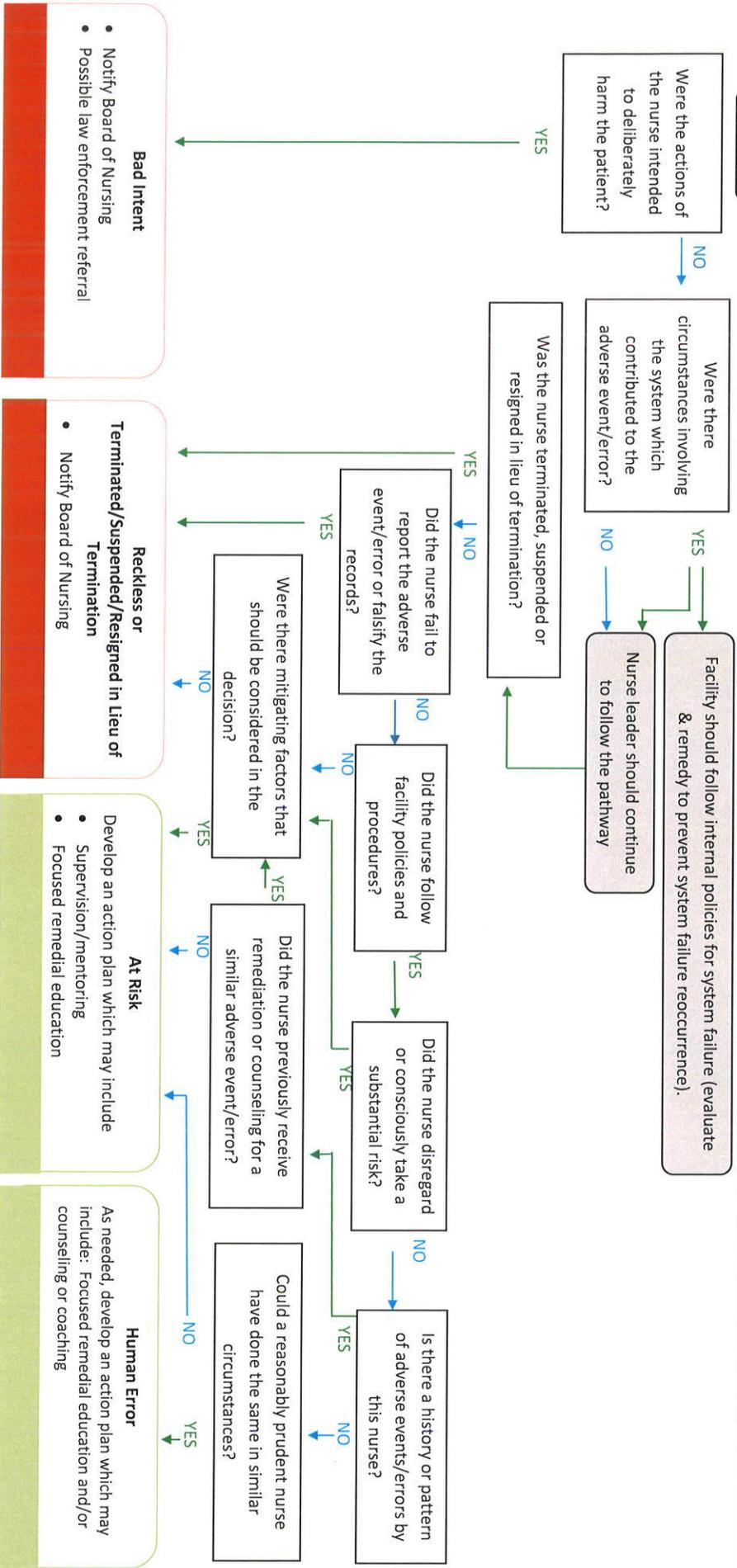


REGULATORY DECISION PATHWAY for NURSE LEADERS

Employing contemporary theory along with regulatory requirements, this pathway is meant to be used by nurse leaders to assist in evaluating cases related to unprofessional conduct or adverse events/errors. This pathway includes examination of the system and evaluation of the behavioral choices of the nurse. This tool should be used with data from the nurse leader's investigation in order to determine action steps and when to file a report with the board of nursing.*



*In addition to the considerations in the pathway, Nurse Leaders should be aware of (1) Nurse Practice Act requirements for special or mandatory reporting to the board of nursing and (2) provisions in the state law/regulations for reporting death or serious injury resulting from adverse event/error.