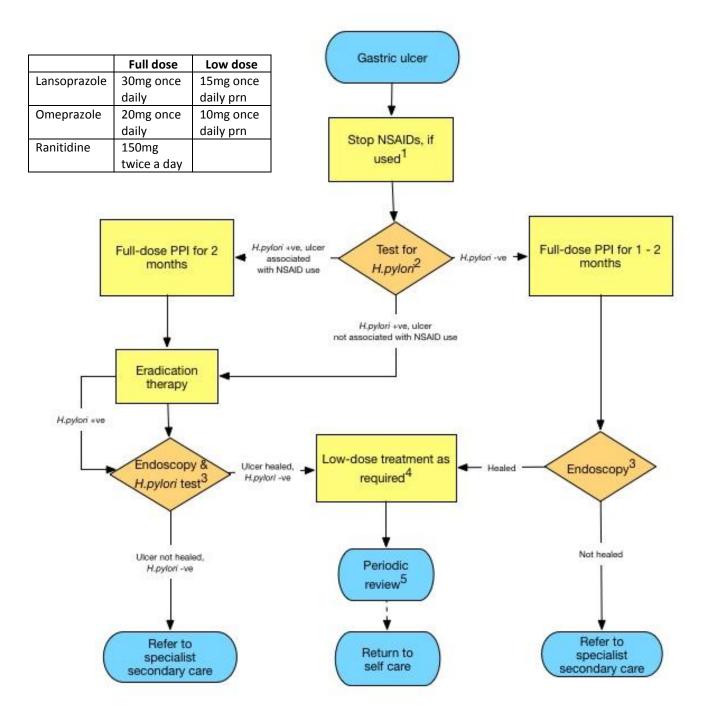
GASTRIC ULCER



- If NSAID continuation is necessary, after ulcer healing offer long-term gastric protection or consider substitution to a newer COX-selective NSAID.
- 2. Use a carbon-13 urea breath test or, when performance has been validated, laboratory-based serology.
- 3. Perform endoscopy 6-8 weeks after treatment. If retesting for H.pylori use a carbon-13 urea breath test.
- 4. Offer low-dose treatment, possibly on an 'as required' basis.
- 5. Review care annually to discuss symptoms, promote stepwise withdrawal of therapy when appropriate and provide lifestyle advice. In some patients with an inadequate response to therapy, it may become appropriate to refer to a specialist.

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