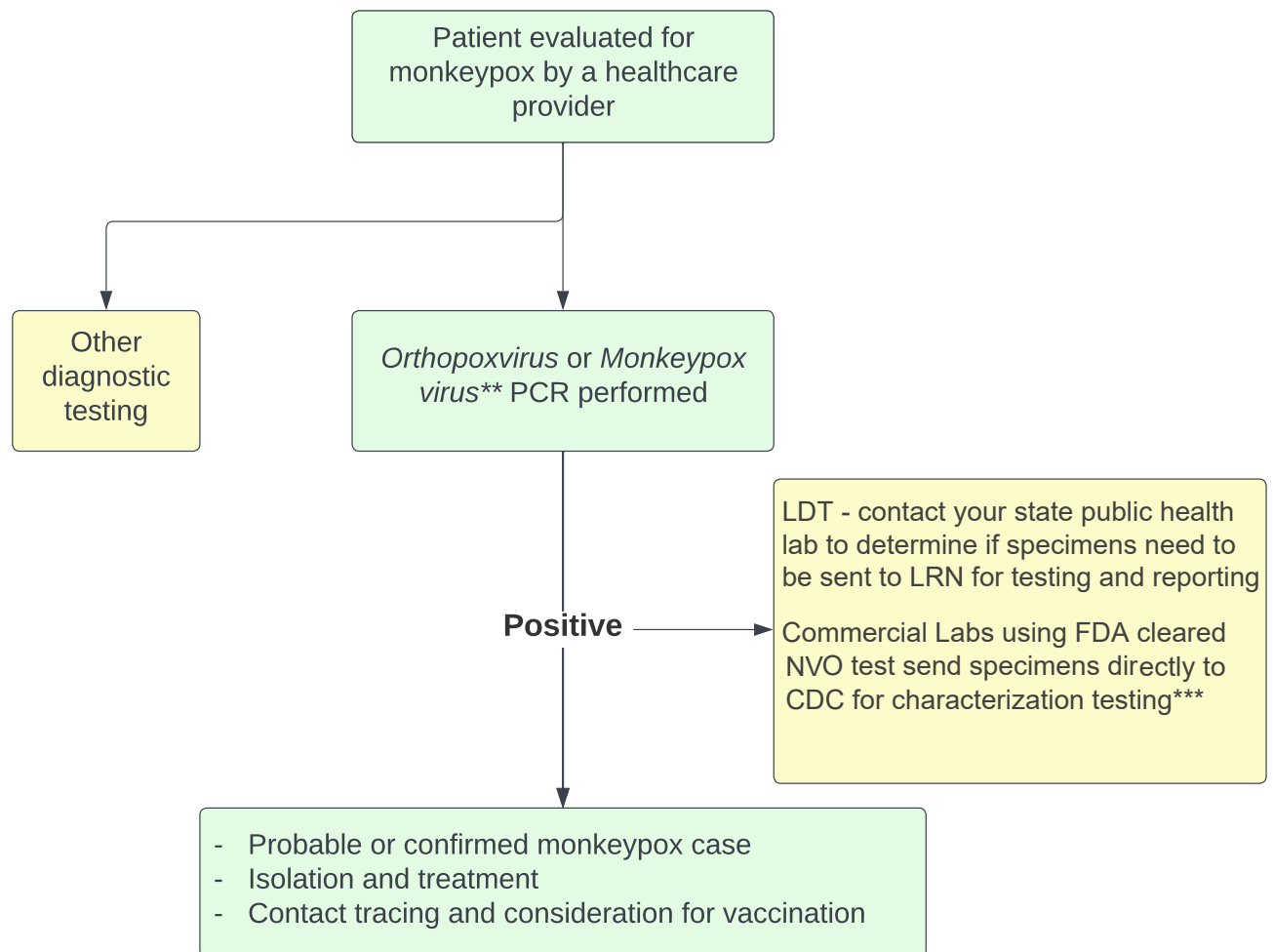


Diagnostic Process for *Monkeypox virus* Testing for Non-LRN Laboratories



*PCR - polymerase chain reaction; LRN - laboratory response network; LDT - lab developed test; NVO - non-variola orthopoxvirus; PHL - public health laboratory

**Monkeypox is a member of the orthopox group of viruses

***Unless specific criteria has been met and only a % of specimens need to be sent to CDC for characterization

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