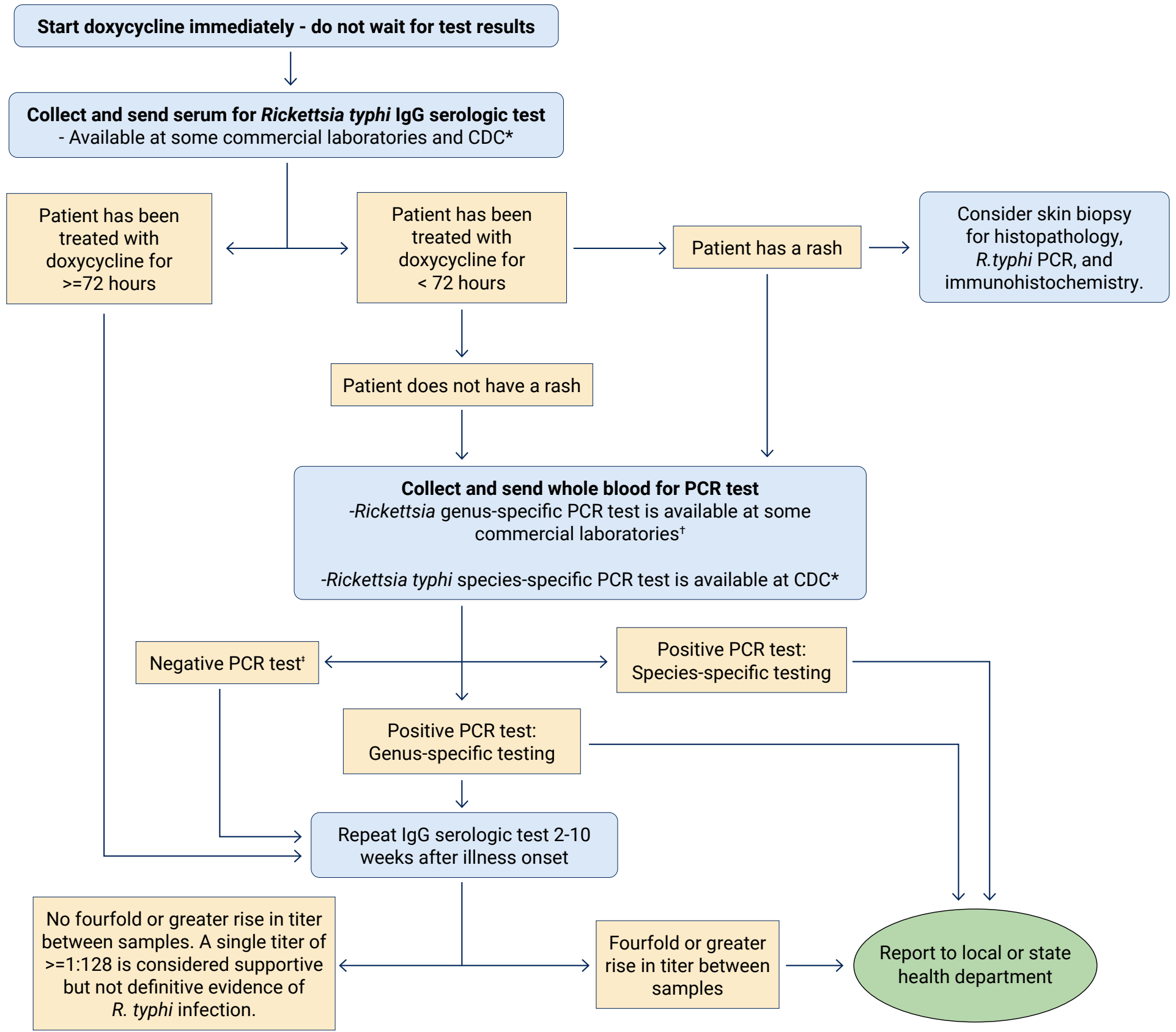


If flea-borne typhus is suspected in a patient:



Footnotes

*Notify local or state health department & CDC (rzbeepidiag@cdc.gov) PRIOR TO sending samples to CDC for testing. Detailed specimen collection & submission instructions: <https://www.cdc.gov/vector-borne-diseases/php/laboratories/submit-specimens-rickettsiosis-tests.html>

†If positive, residual samples should be saved and sent to CDC (rzbeepidiag@cdc.gov) for species-specific testing. Please contact your local or state health department prior to sending samples to CDC.

‡ A negative PCR test does not rule out infection.

NOTE:
Continue doxycycline treatment for 7 days or >48 hrs after defervescence, whichever is longer. Serology testing may be negative during the early phase of illness, when antibodies are still developing and below the limit of detection. Test results alone should not be used as an indication to discontinue doxycycline treatment.

NOTE:
Flea-borne typhus is reportable in some states. Positive test results should be reported to your local or state health department.

