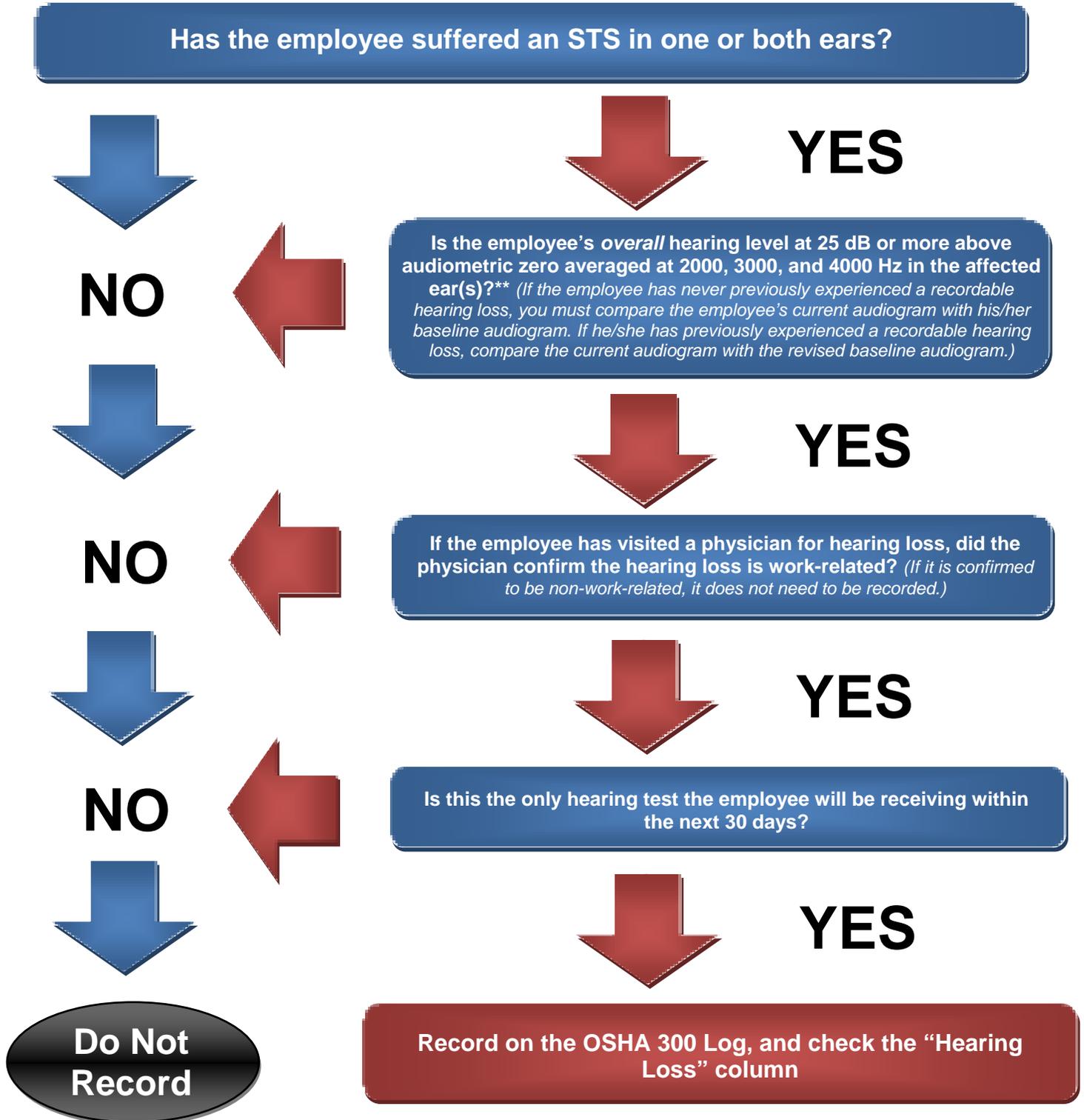


Hearing Loss Flow Chart

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Use this chart to determine whether the results of an audiometric exam reveal a recordable standard threshold shift (STS).*



Note: In all cases, use the most current baseline to determine recordability as you would to calculate an STS under the hearing conservation provisions of the noise standard (§1910.95). If an STS occurs in just one ear, you may only revise the baseline audiogram for that ear.

* An STS is defined in the occupational noise exposure standard at 29 CFR 1910.95(g)(10)(i) as a change in hearing threshold, relative to the baseline audiogram for that employee, of an average of 10 dB or more at 2000, 3000 and 4000 Hz in one or both ears.

** The audiogram may be adjusted for presbycusis (aging) as set out in 1910.95.