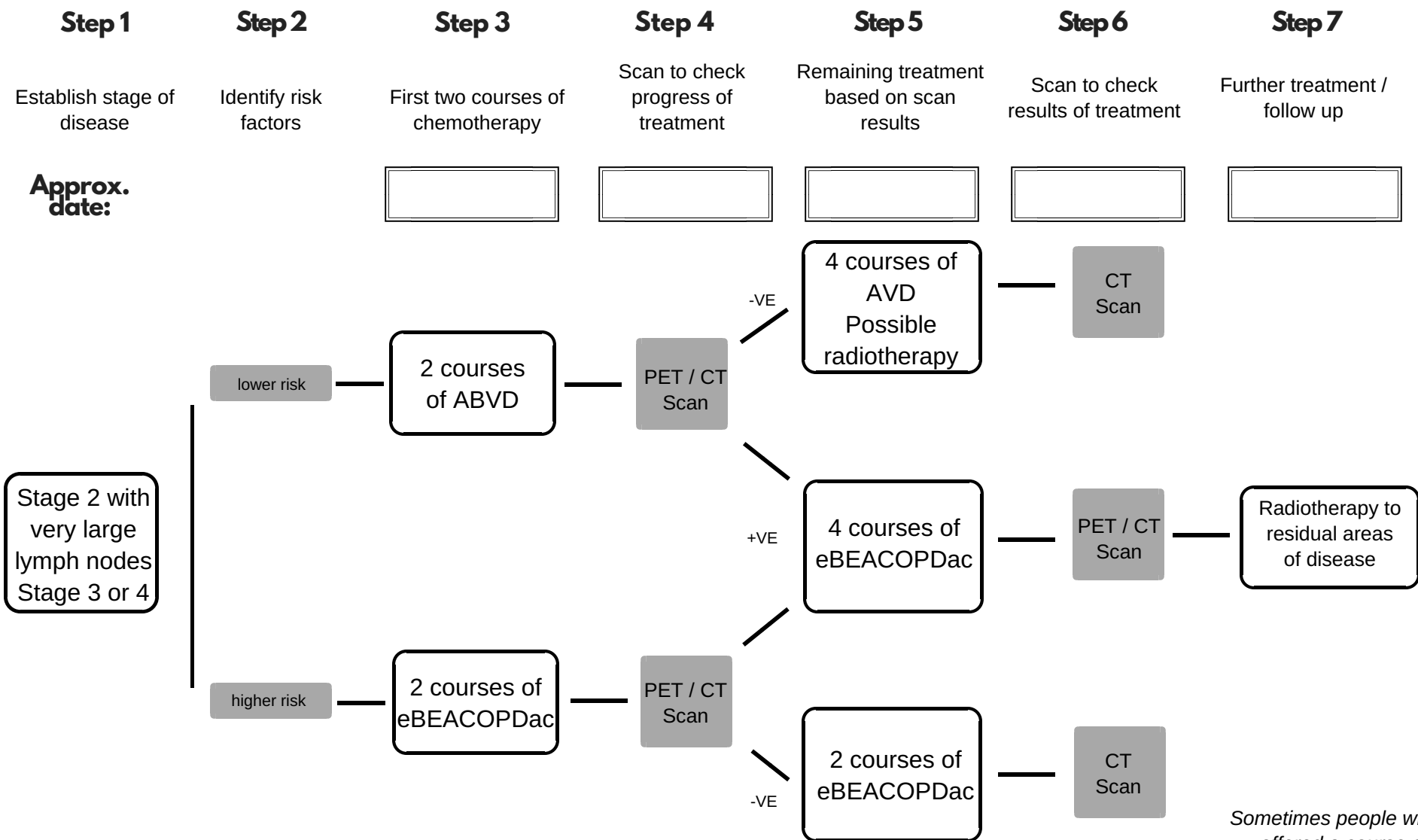


# Treatment pathway for advanced Hodgkin lymphoma



Stage 2 with very large lymph nodes  
Stage 3 or 4

**FURTHER INFO:**

Your doctor will assess risk based on a number of factors. These include your age, your symptoms and your scan and blood test results.

These letters represent combinations of different drugs. You will be given information about this

A positive scan will show some evidence of disease. Negative scan means no visible disease. This scan suggests what chemo you might need next.

Radiotherapy is not right for everyone. Some courses of treatment are longer than others. Your doctor will discuss this with you.

PET/CT is only for those who have had +ve scans at Step 4

Sometimes people will be offered a course of radiotherapy. You will discuss this with your doctor and a radiotherapy specialist. Follow up usually means regular appointments for a period of time followed by yearly check ups.

## Advanced HL: treatment decision aid

	Initial treatment with ABVD	Initial treatment with eBEACOPDac
cure rate	75 - 80%	90 - 92%
duration of treatment	usually 6 months	usually 3 months
Short term side effects	Less intense treatment Fewer short term side effects	More intensive treatment More short term side effects Greater risk of serious infections during treatment
Long term side effects	Very low rate of infertility Risk of another cancer ten years after treatment approximately 1%	Higher rate of infertility Risk of another cancer ten years after treatment approximately 6%