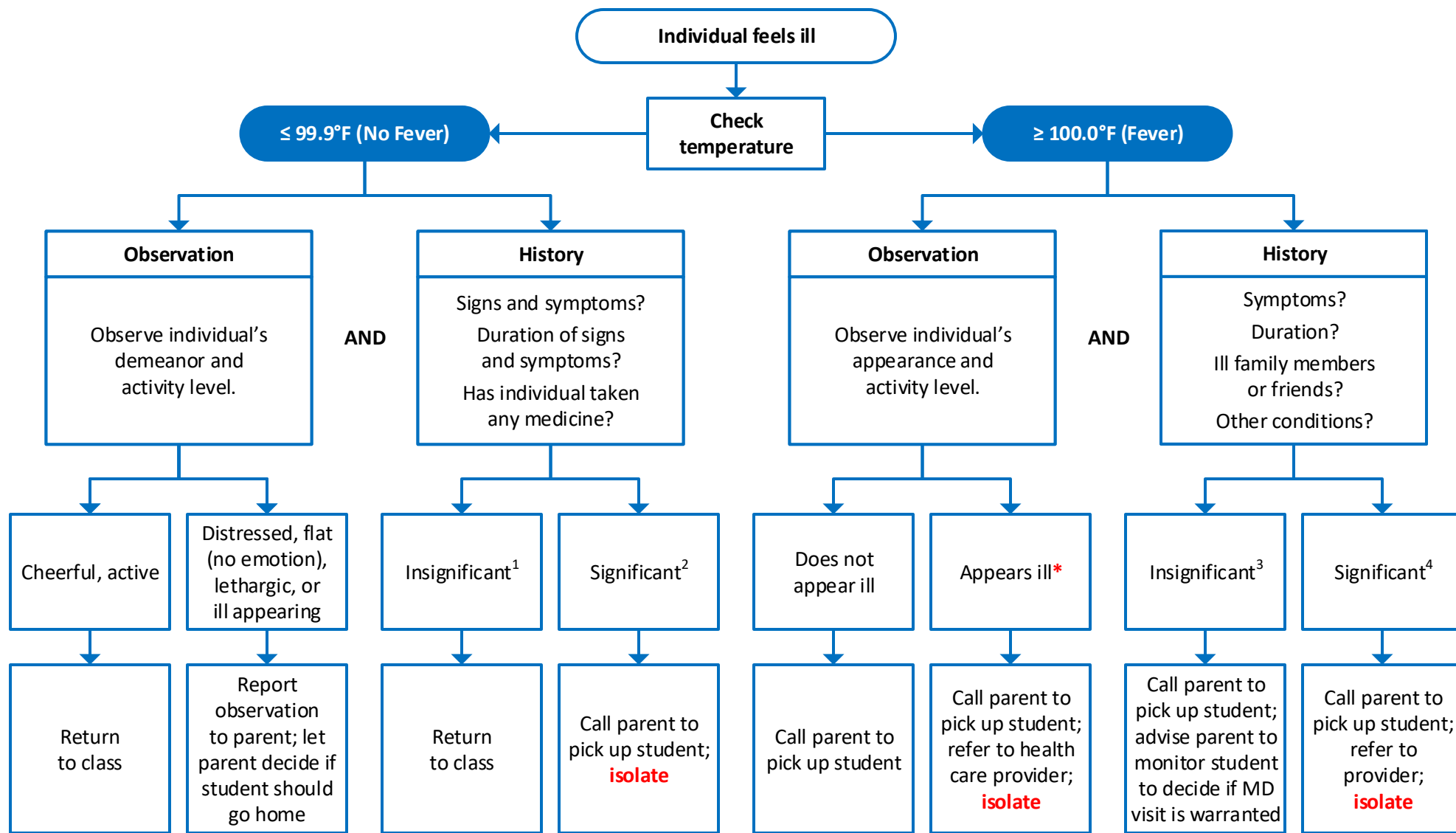


Flowchart for Assessing Illness in the Absence of the School Nurse



* If individual is experiencing difficulty breathing or shortness of breath, call 911.

¹ Insignificant: symptoms just started; history of allergies; mild symptoms; no medicine taken or only allergy medicine taken

² Significant: symptoms began at home in the a.m. or last night; appears ill; doesn't typically complain; teacher insists student is ill; reports taking medicine at home such as ibuprofen (Advil/Motrin) or acetaminophen (Tylenol)

³ Insignificant: temperature in the 100's, does not appear ill, cheerful and talkative

⁴ Significant: high fever; appears ill; family member is sick; has asthma, diabetes, other chronic condition

Note: When in doubt, call parent. If parent is in doubt, refer to health care provider.