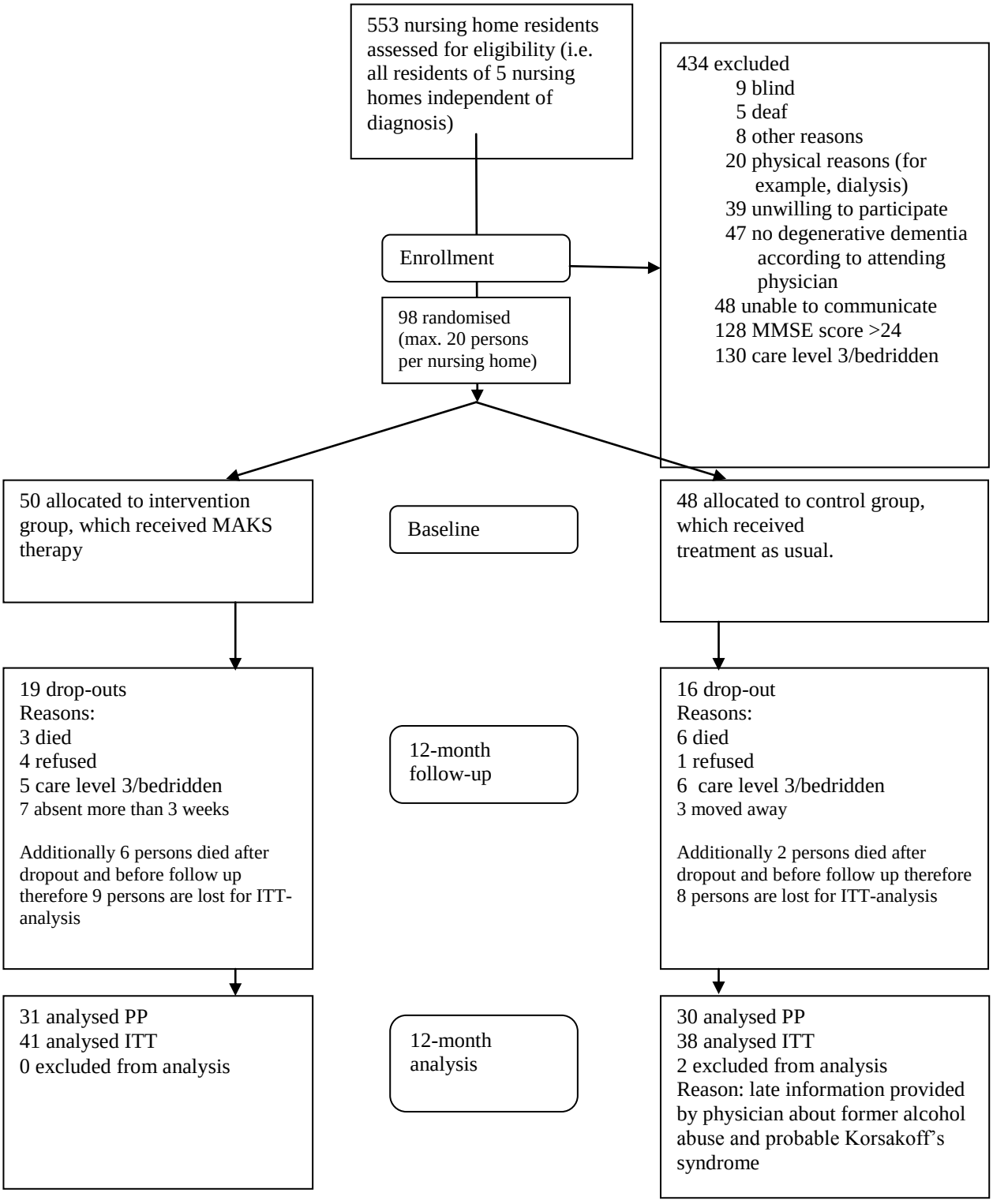
553 nursing home residents assessed for eligibility (i.e. all residents of 5 nursing homes independent of diagnosis)
Enrollment
434 excluded
9 blind
5 deaf
8 other reasons
20 physical reasons (for example, dialysis)
39 unwilling to participate
47 no degenerative dementia according to attending physician
48 unable to communicate
128 MMSE score >24
130 care level 3/bedridden
98 randomised (max. 20 persons per nursing home)
50 allocated to intervention group, which received MAKS therapy
Baseline
48 allocated to control group, which received treatment as usual.
19 drop-outs
Reasons:
3 died
4 refused
5 care level 3/bedridden
7 absent more than 3 weeks
Additionally 6 persons died after dropout and before follow up therefore 9 persons are lost for ITT-analysis
12-month follow-up
16 drop-out
Reasons:
6 died
1 refused
6 care level 3/bedridden
3 moved away
Additionally 2 persons died after dropout and before follow up therefore 8 persons are lost for ITT-analysis
31 analysed PP
41 analysed ITT
0 excluded from analysis
12-month analysis
30 analysed PP
38 analysed ITT
2 excluded from analysis
Reason: late information provided by physician about former alcohol abuse and probable Korsakoff's syndrome