# Blueprint Courses vs Cross-listing
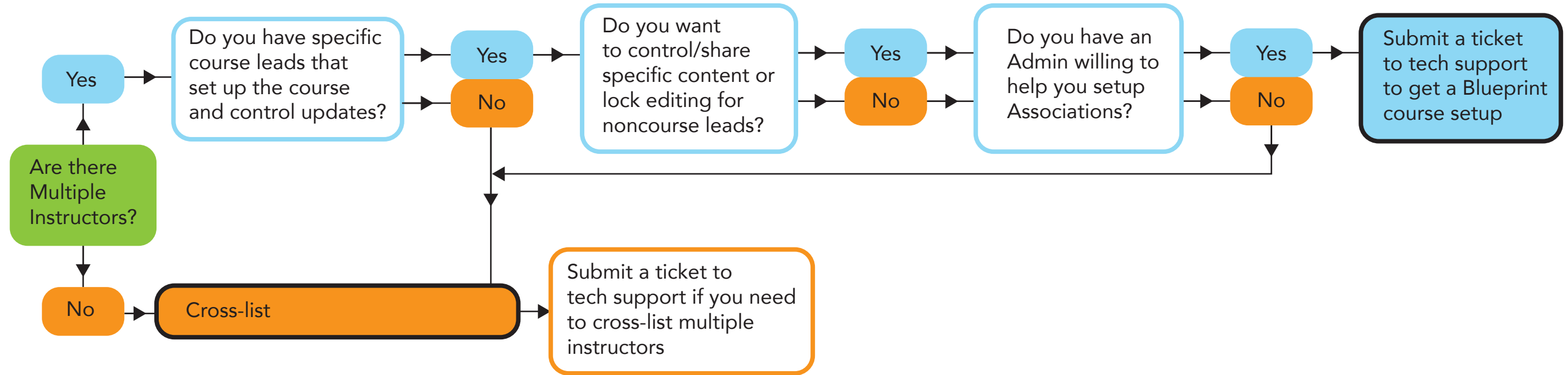
*Do you need to share and update content between multiple sections of the same course?*

**Are there Multiple Instructors?**

→ Yes → **Do you have specific course leads that set up the course and control updates?**
- Yes → **Do you want to control/share specific content or lock editing for noncourse leads?**
  - Yes → **Do you have an Admin willing to help you setup Associations?**
    - Yes → **Submit a ticket to tech support to get a Blueprint course setup**
    - No
  - No
- No

→ No → **Cross-list** → **Submit a ticket to tech support if you need to cross-list multiple instructors**

## What is a blueprint course?

A blueprint course is a parent course modified only by designated teachers which shares content with any number of associated courses. Depending on the settings, content can be locked or unlocked for editing.

Momma bear is the blueprint course.
All the kids (associated courses) look like mom but, can have their own personalities.

## What is a cross-listed course?

Cross-listing is when multiple sections all share the exact same content. Whatever happens in one course, automatically happens in all sections. This makes editing content instant and easy for all sections but, things like "mute assignment" for grading applies to all.

Cross-listed sections are all attached sharing the same head (one course).