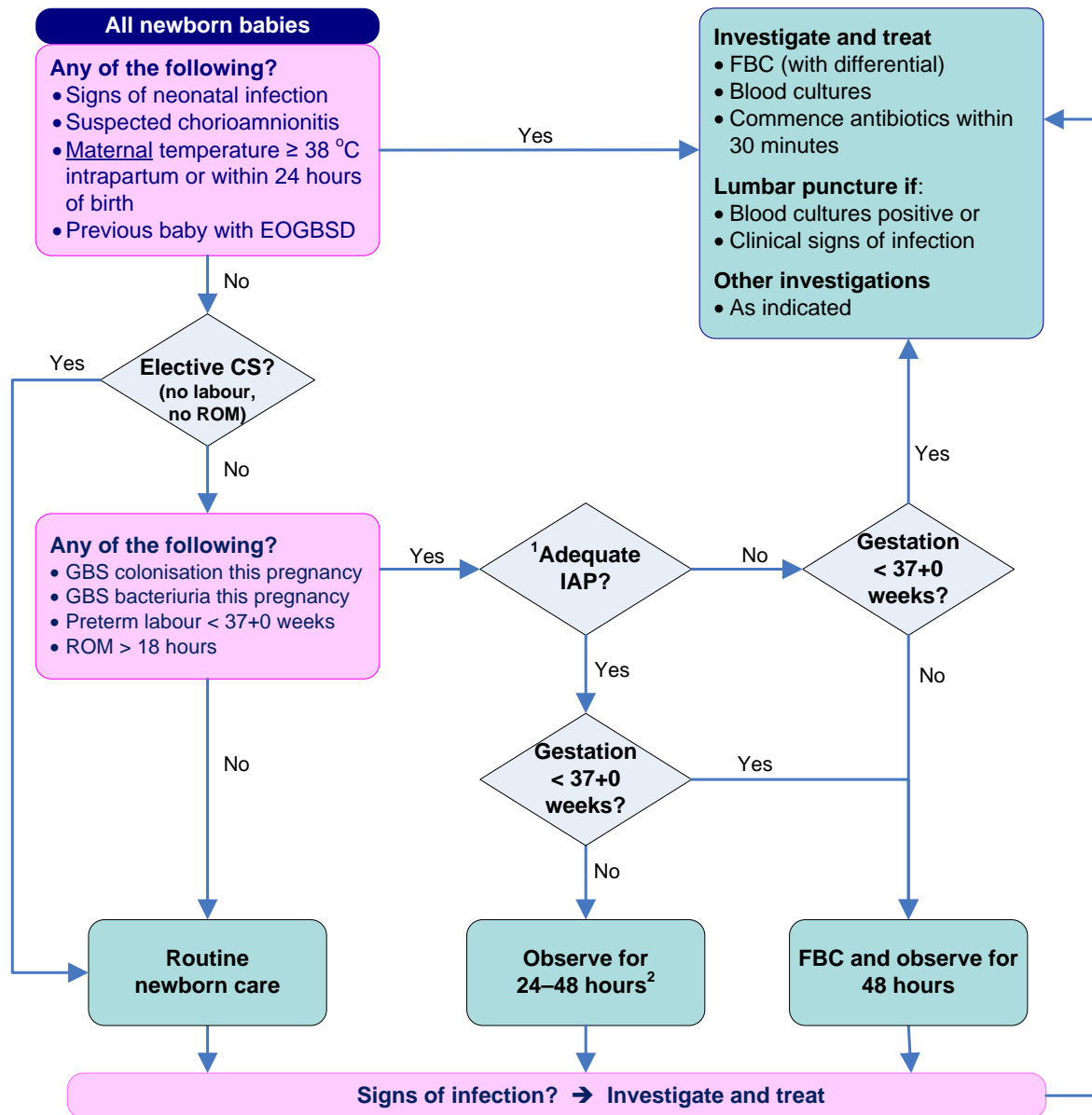


Neonatal management of EOGBSD

ALL newborn babies are at risk of infection irrespective of gestation, maternal risk factors or adequacy of IAP

Signs of infection: respiratory distress, temperature instability, unexpected need for resuscitation, apnoeic episodes, lethargy, seizures, poor feeding, abdominal distension, hypotension, metabolic acidosis



¹ Adequate intrapartum antibiotics = Intrapartum antibiotics given more than 2 hours before birth

² Discharge after 24 hours if usual readiness for discharge criteria met and parents can understand and follow instructions (recognise signs of infection, contact help via telephone, transport baby for care if required)

Recommended antibiotics

- Benzylpenicillin OR ampicillin/amoxicillin
- AND gentamicin

• Refer to [NeoMedQ](#) for neonatal medicine monographs <https://www.health.qld.gov.au/qcg>

CS: caesarean section, EOGBSD: early onset Group B Streptococcal disease, FBC: full blood count, GBS: Group B Streptococcus, IAP: intrapartum antibiotic prophylaxis, IV: intravenous, ROM: rupture of membranes, T: temperature, >: greater than, <: less than, ≥: greater than or equal to

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