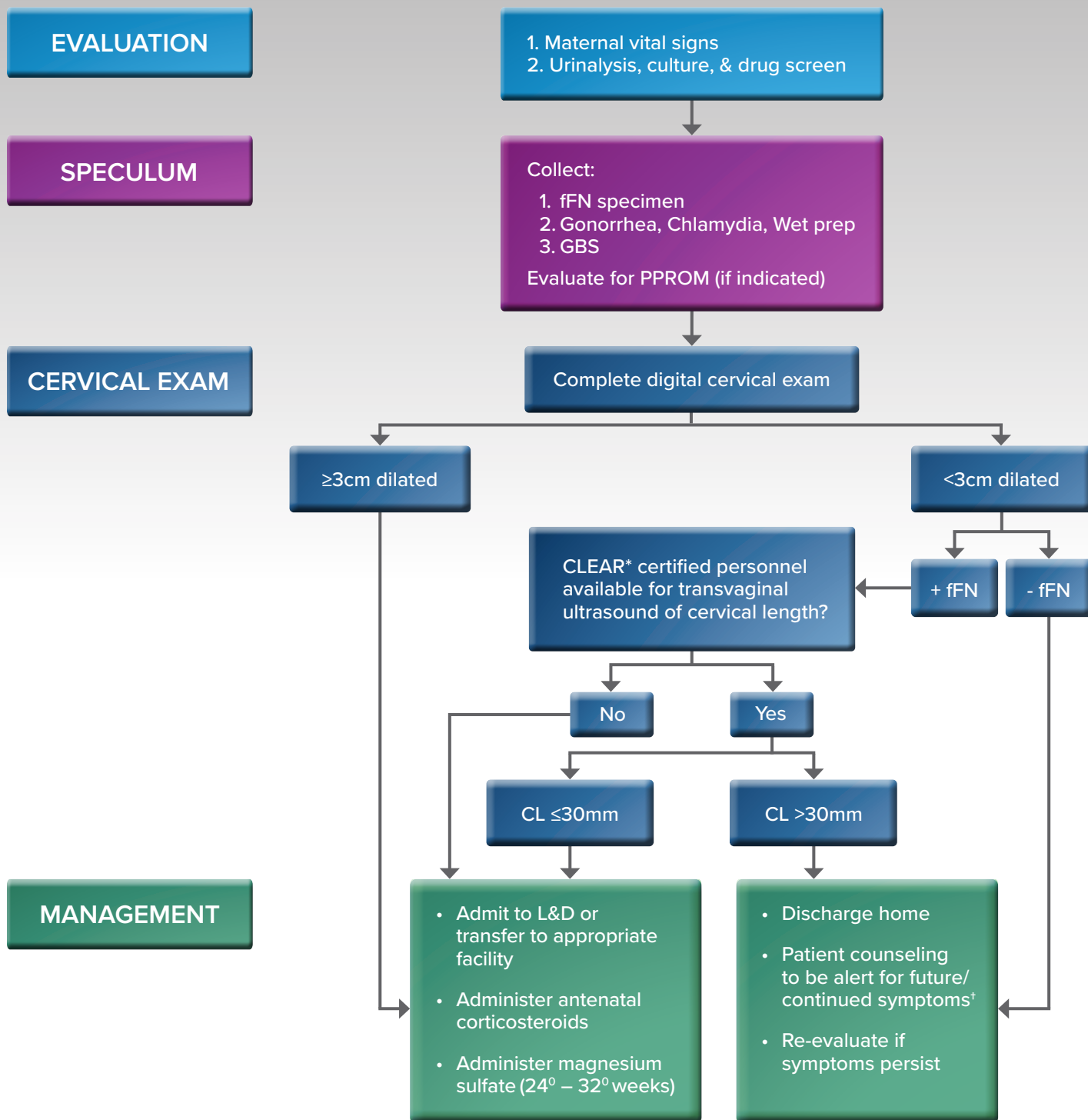


Example Preterm Labor Protocol

Patients with symptoms of preterm labor 24⁰ - 34⁶ weeks



* Studies have shown that cervical length measurement may be subjective, variable and not accurately assessed. The Perinatal Quality Foundation initiated the CLEAR program (Cervical Length Education and Review) in 2011 to develop consensus on the standard criteria for sonographic cervical measurements during pregnancy. Practitioners who complete the lectures and pass the examination and image review receive verification that they have completed the CLEAR program.

[†] If patient's fFN result is negative, provide patient reassurance that a negative fFN result means a <1% chance of delivery in next 14 days.

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