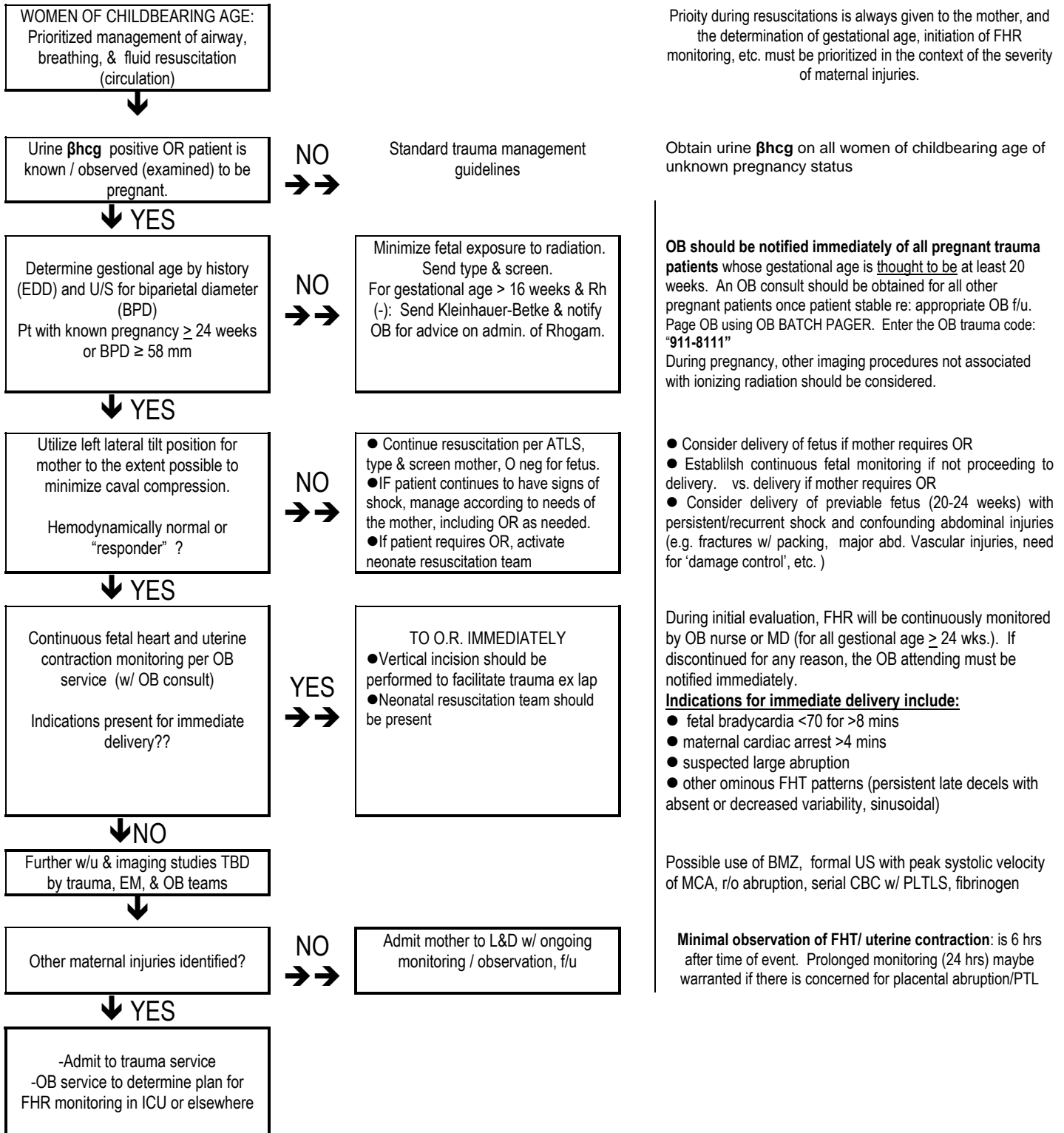


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ADDITIONAL NOTES

- Exposure to less than 5 rad has not been associated with an increase in fetal anomalies or pregnancy loss and is herein deemed to be safe at any point during the entirety of gestation.
- Perimortem Cesarean section should be considered in any moribund pregnant woman of ≥ 24 weeks gestation. Delivery in perimortem cesarean sections must occur within 20 minutes of maternal death but should ideally start within 4 minutes of the maternal arrest. Fetal neurological outcome is related to delivery time after maternal death.
- Delivery of fetus at less than 24 weeks gestation is indicated to assist the resuscitation of a critically injured pregnant woman (i.e.: mother with HD instability proving difficult to manage (i.e., pelvic fracture, splenic laceration with pt's abd open; s/p splenectomy, packing pelvis with persistent hypotension), as delivery will lead to the extraction of a non-viable infant.