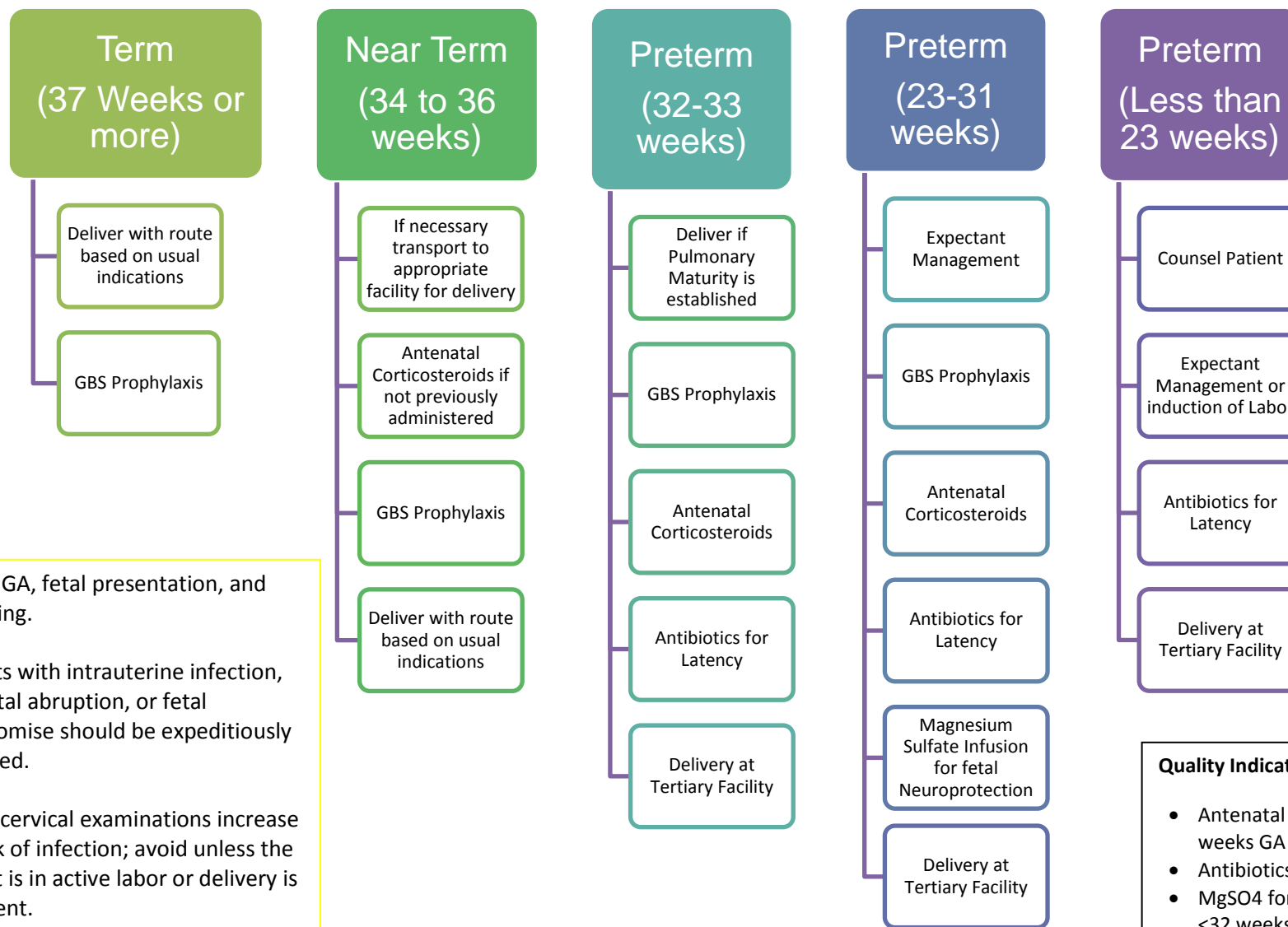


APEC Guidelines Premature Rupture of Membranes



- Assess GA, fetal presentation, and wellbeing.
- Patients with intrauterine infection, placental abruption, or fetal compromise should be expeditiously delivered.
- Digital cervical examinations increase the risk of infection; avoid unless the patient is in active labor or delivery is imminent.

- Quality Indicators/Benchmarks**
- Antenatal corticosteroids <34 weeks GA
 - Antibiotics for latency
 - MgSO4 for fetal neuroprotection <32 weeks GA
 - Delivery at appropriate facility

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