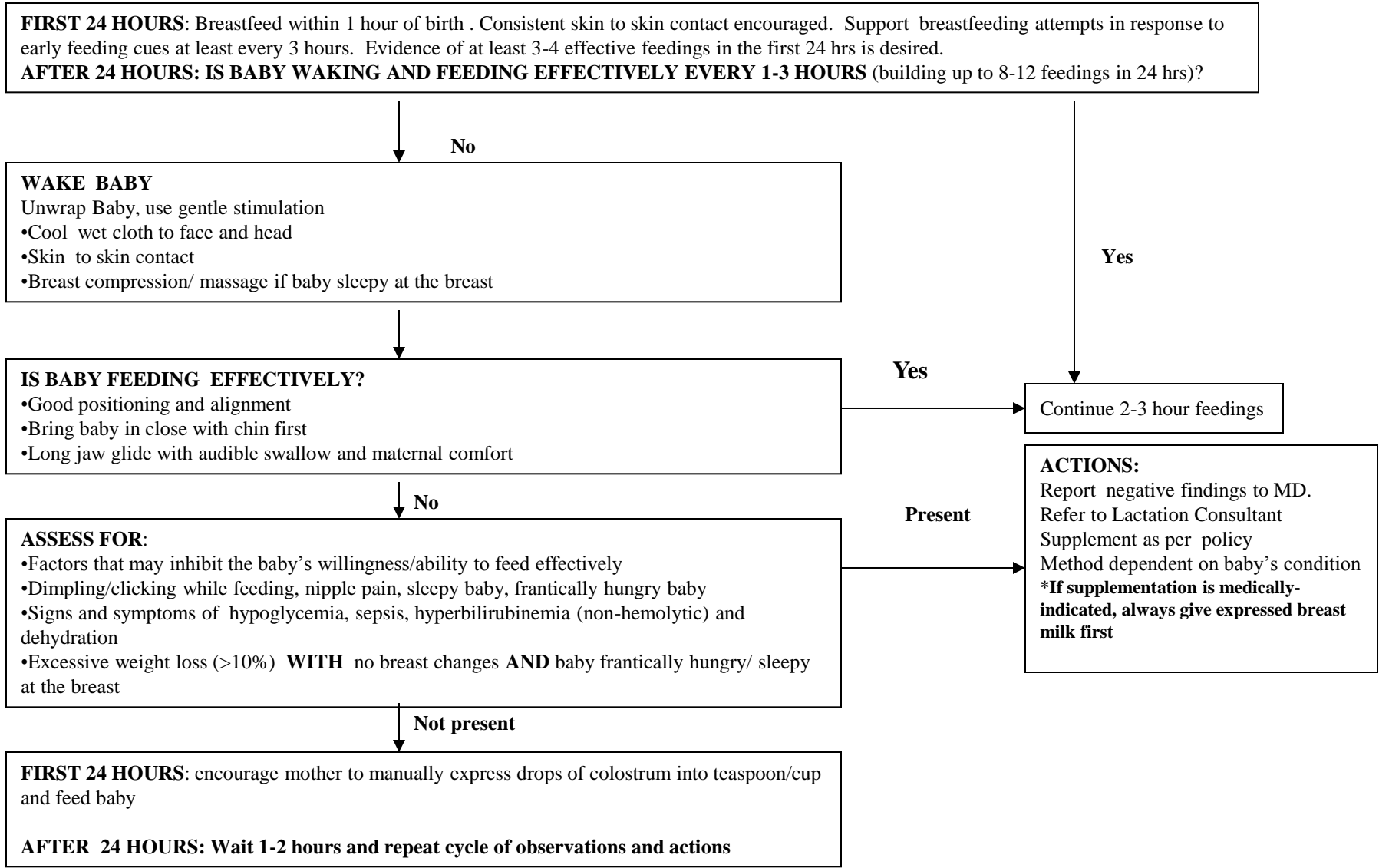


## BREASTFEEDING MANAGEMENT FLOW CHART FOR TERM INFANTS FOR FIRST 3 DAYS POSTPARTUM (NO MATERNAL RISK FACTORS)



No

**WAKE BABY**  
Unwrap Baby, use gentle stimulation  
•Cool wet cloth to face and head  
•Skin to skin contact  
•Breast compression/ massage if baby sleepy at the breast

**IS BABY FEEDING EFFECTIVELY?**  
•Good positioning and alignment  
•Bring baby in close with chin first  
•Long jaw glide with audible swallow and maternal comfort

Yes

Continue 2-3 hour feedings

Yes

**ASSESS FOR:**  
•Factors that may inhibit the baby's willingness/ability to feed effectively  
•Dimpling/clicking while feeding, nipple pain, sleepy baby, frantically hungry baby  
•Signs and symptoms of hypoglycemia, sepsis, hyperbilirubinemia (non-hemolytic) and dehydration  
•Excessive weight loss (>10%) WITH no breast changes AND baby frantically hungry/ sleepy at the breast

Present

**ACTIONS:**  
Report negative findings to MD.  
Refer to Lactation Consultant  
Supplement as per policy  
Method dependent on baby's condition  
**\*If supplementation is medically-indicated, always give expressed breast milk first**

Not present

**FIRST 24 HOURS:** encourage mother to manually express drops of colostrum into teaspoon/cup and feed baby  
**AFTER 24 HOURS:** Wait 1-2 hours and repeat cycle of observations and actions