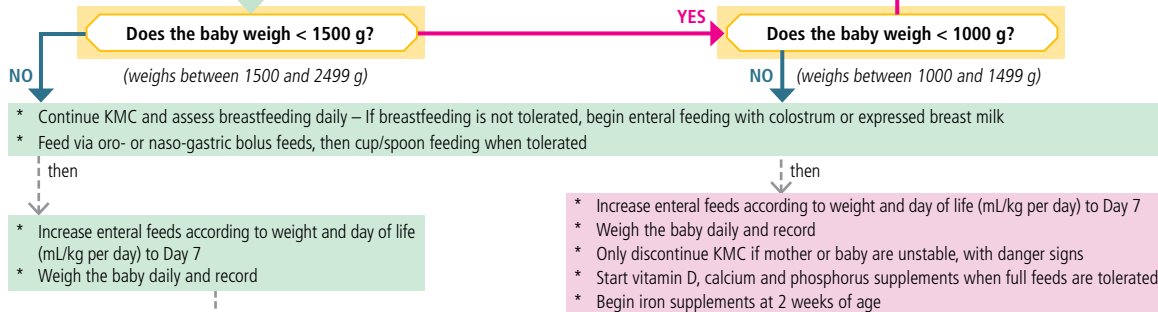
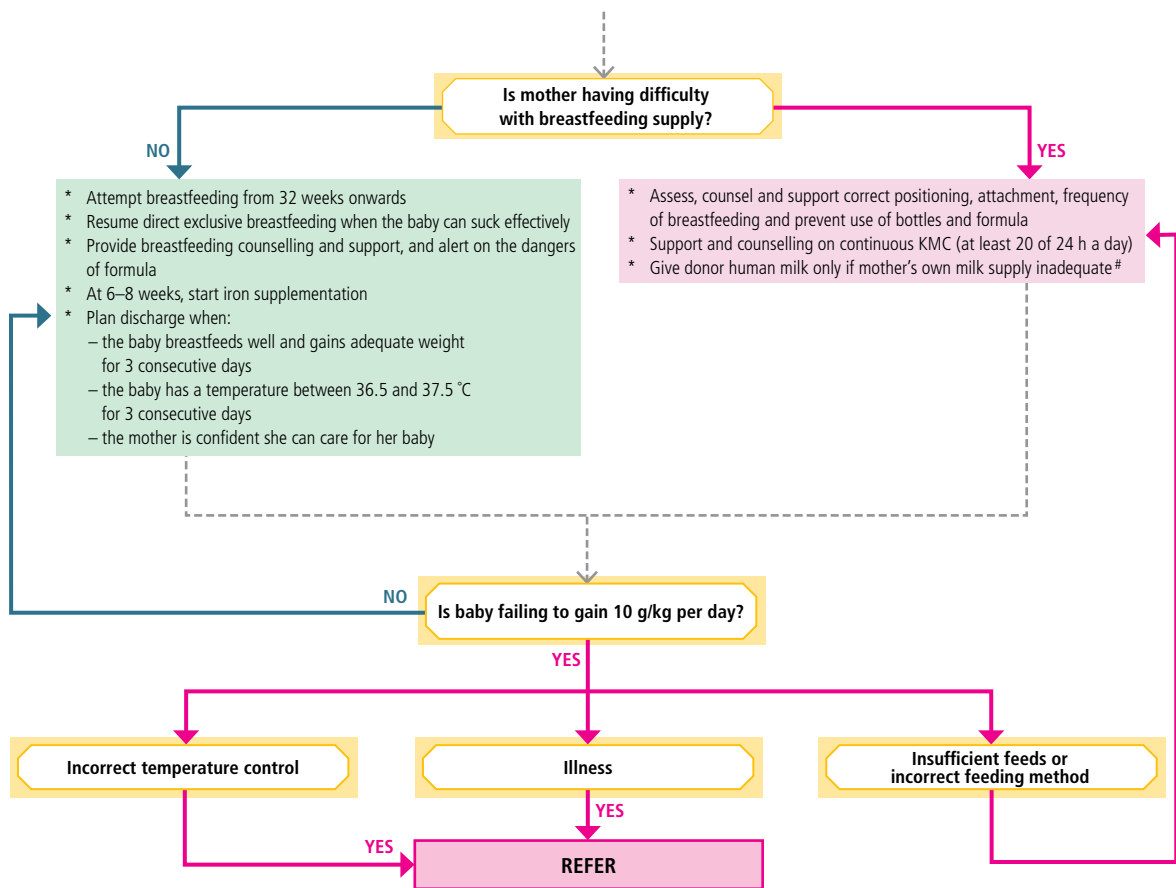


Algorithm 4: Optimal feeding of the clinically stable baby weighing less than 2500 g

- * Maintain SSC and initiate continuous KMC
- * Room the mother and baby together
- * Encourage mother to watch for feeding cues and nudge the baby towards breast
- * Provide breastfeeding counselling and support
- * Assess breastfeeding at least once per day

REFER to NICU
Provide intensive breastfeeding counselling





[#] Breastmilk substitutes should only be used as a last resort after all efforts have been made to improve the mother's own supply or to use donor milk. Breastmilk substitutes increase the risk of necrotizing enterocolitis, pneumonia, diarrhoea, meningitis and death.

