



# Induction

*To use for medically indicated with unfavorable cervix or any indication with a favorable cervix*

**Medically Indicated Only**

**Unfavorable Cervix  
(Bishop Score < 6)**

**Mechanical or Pharmacological  
Cervical Ripening**

**No Cervical  
Change**

**Repeat with  
Different Method**

**No Response  
Consider Oxytocin Trial**

**Home or  
Cesarean**

**If successful, follow right  
side of algorithm  
(favorable cervix)**

**Cervical  
Change**

**Continue Oxytocin  
and consider ROM**

**Cervix ≥ 6 cm**

**Assess  
Cervical Change**

**Cervical  
Change**

**See Spontaneous/Active  
Labor Algorithm**

**No Change,  
ruptured membranes,  
•Adequate contractions  
for ≥ 4 hours  
•Inadequate contractions  
for 6 hours**

*First Stage  
Arrest*

**Proceed to Cesarean**

**Favorable Cervix  
(Bishop Score ≥ 9 for  
Nulliparas and ≥ 6 for  
Multiparas)**

**Initiate Oxytocin**

**No Cervical  
Change**

**Cervix < 6 cm, unable  
to AROM, or no Cervical  
Change with 24 Hours  
Oxytocin**

*Failed Induction*

**If Elective,  
Consider Home**