

FETAL HEART RATE DECISION TREE (DRAFT)

CATEGORY I (NORMAL)

CATEGORY II (INDETERMINATE)

CATEGORY III (ABNORMAL)

- Baseline – 110 to 160bpm
- Moderate Variability (6-25bpm)
- Absence of late or variable decelerations
- Early decelerations or accelerations may be present or absent

All FHR patterns not in Category I or III

- Sinusoidal FHR
 - OR
 - Absent Variability with: Re-current Late Decelerations
 - OR
 - Absent Variability with Re-current Variables
 - OR
 - Bradycardia
- REVIEW WITH CHARGE RN**

Continue current plan of care

Evaluation and surveillance

- FHR accelerations
- OR
- Moderate FHR variability

- Absent FHR accelerations and Absent/minimal FHR variability
- OR
- Absent FHR accelerations and Re-current decelerations
- OR
- Prolonged deceleration 2-10 minutes

- REQUIRES IMMEDIATE ATTENTION - Perform**
- D/C Oxytocin (cervidil)
 - Change maternal position
 - Bolus IVF
 - Treat tachysystole using tachysystole tree
 - Check BP *
- Initiate Huddle with provider, in house attending (if applicable), RN, Charge Nurse, Resident (if applicable) Notify anesthesia & OR team**

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Yes

After 30 minutes did Category II FHR pattern resolve?

No

**REVIEW WITH CHARGE RN
Notify Provider-Document Plan**

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No

- **Initiate Huddle with provider, in house attending (if applicable), Resident if applicable, Charge RN**
- Review previous 4 hours of FHR
- Document Plan of Care

Did Category III FHR pattern resolve?

Yes

Observe for 30 minutes. Notify Provider to develop plan of care

No

- **NOTIFY PROVIDER**
- **EXPECT PROVIDER AT BEDSIDE**
- **INITIATE CHAIN OF COMMAND IF PROVIDER DOES NOT COME TO THE BEDSIDE**

Yes

After 30 minutes did Category II FHR pattern resolve?

No

- Consider huddle with provider, in house attending (if applicable), RN, Charge RN, Resident if applicable and consider turning off Pitocin
- Document Plan of Care
- Continue to observe for:
 - Absent FHR accelerations and Absent/minimal FHR variability

Continue current plan of care. Contact Provider Oxytocin may be restarted

Yes

After 30 minutes did Category II FHR pattern resolve?

No

* If mean arterial pressure has dropped greater than or equal to 20% from baseline, notify provider/ anesthesia to consider treating blood pressure