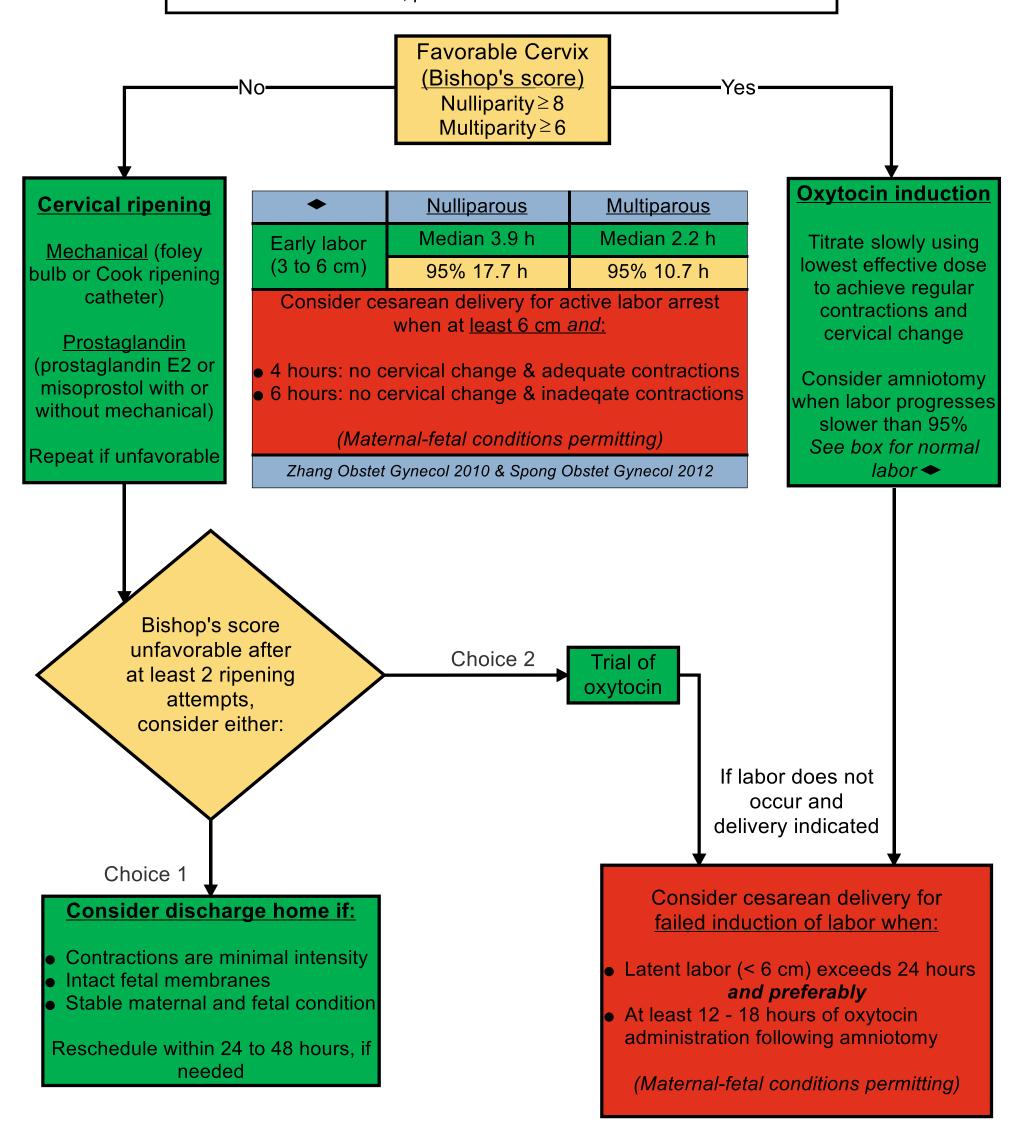
#### **Induction of Labor**



According to ACOG, induction of labor prior to 41 weeks should only be performed when a maternal or fetal indication exists. When none exists, proceed with a favorable cervical exam.





Bishop's Score Calculation				
Parameter	0	1	2	3
Dilation (cm)	0	1 - 2	3 - 4	5 - 6
Effacement, %	0 - 30	40 - 50	60 - 70	80
Station (-3 to +3)	- 3	-2	-1, 0	+1
Consistency	Firm	Medium	Soft	
Position	Posterior	Middle	Anterior	
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# ☆ Maternal or Fetal Indications for Delivery

(ACOG Committee Opinion, No. 560, 2013)

Per ACOG recommendations, perform induction of labor before 41 weeks when a maternal or fetal indication exists.

When none exists, proceed with a favorable cervical exam.

## Obstetric Issues

- Premature rupture of membranes
- Pregnancy at or beyond 41 weeks
- Pregnancy between 39 and 41 weeks
   with favorable cervix

### Maternal Issues

- Essential hypertension
- Diabetes mellitus
- Gestational Hypertension

### Fetal Issues

- Growth restriction, singleton or multiple
- Multiple gestation
- Oligohydramnios

This is a simplified table adapted for this algorithm. Please see accompanying companion checklist for additional indications for delivery.