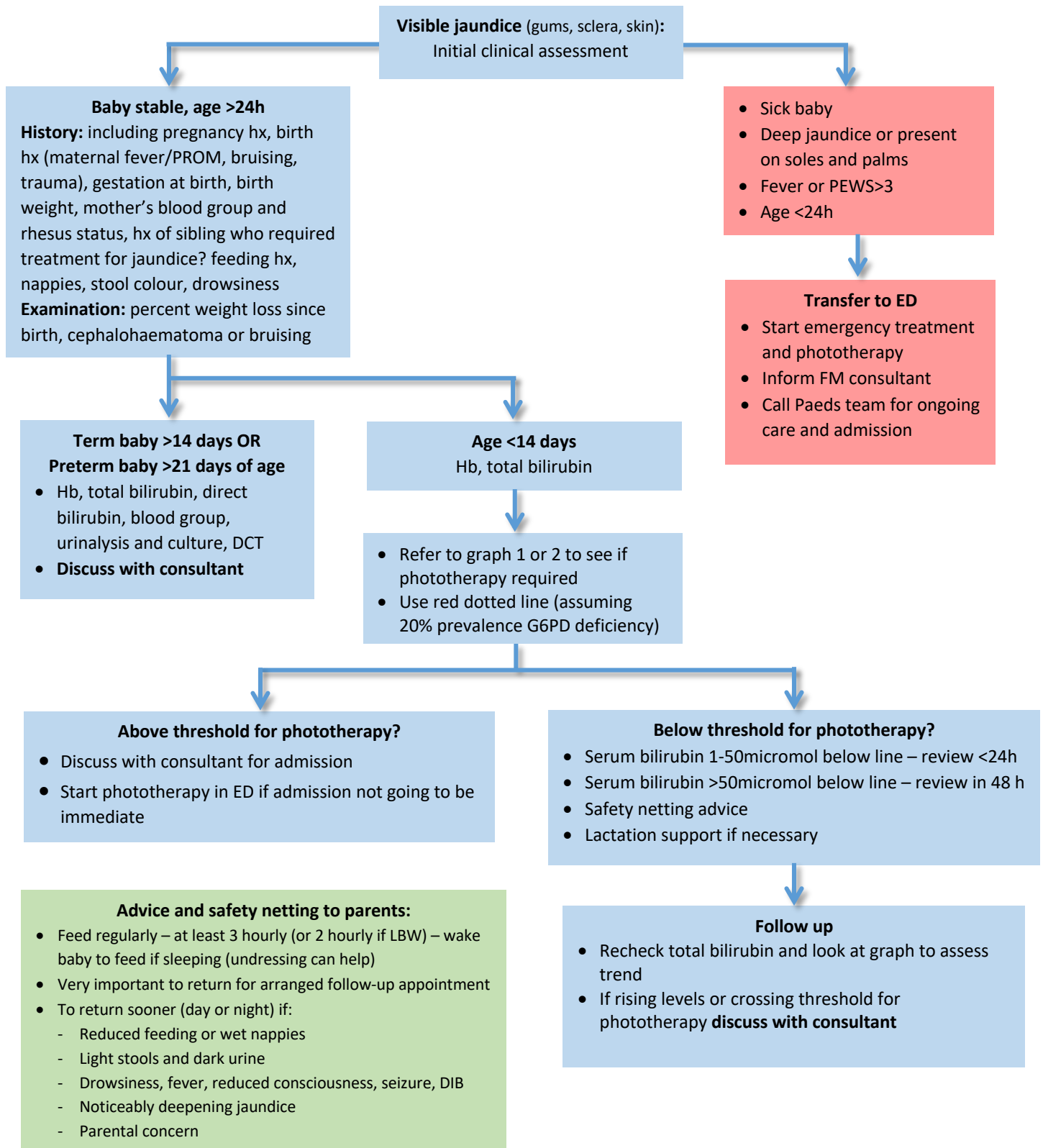


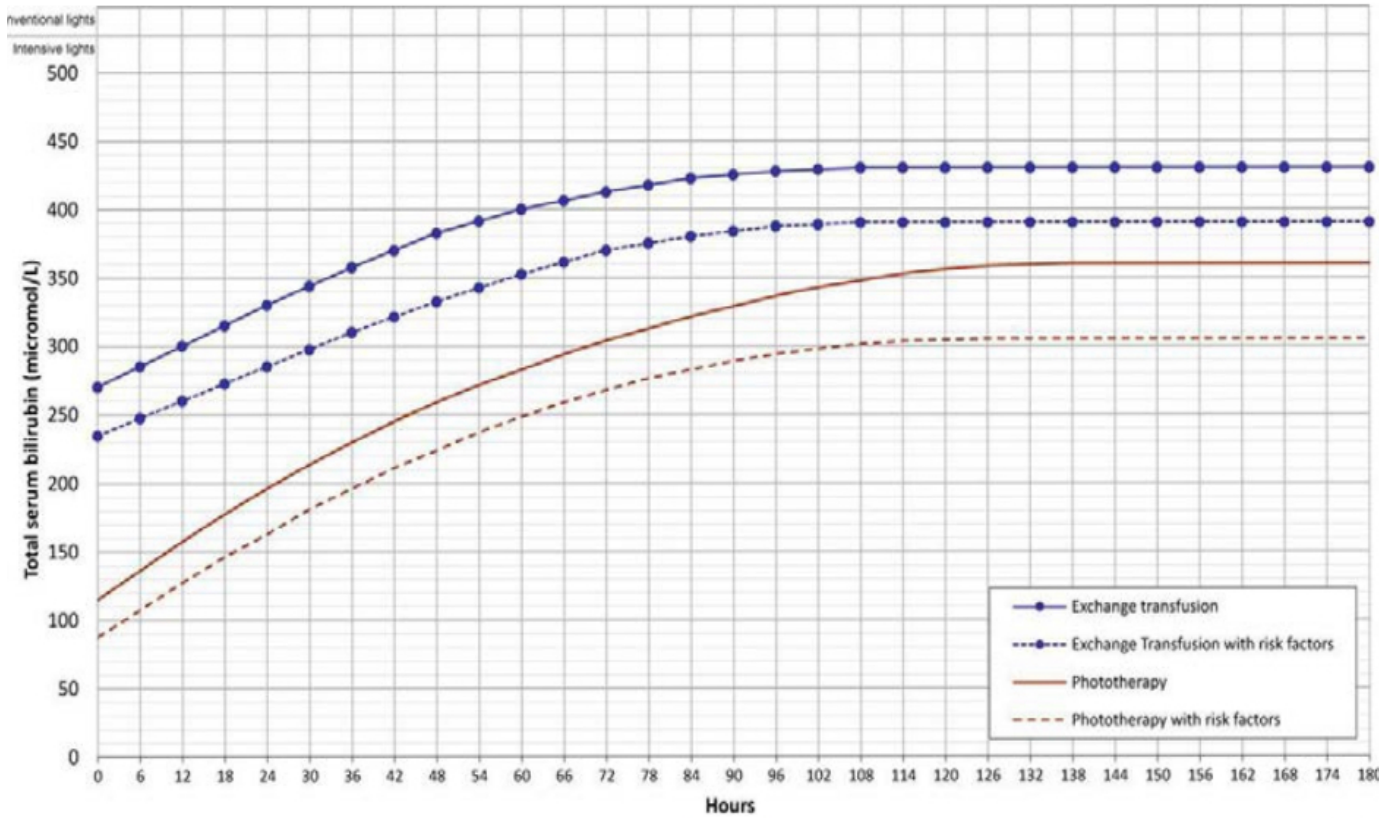
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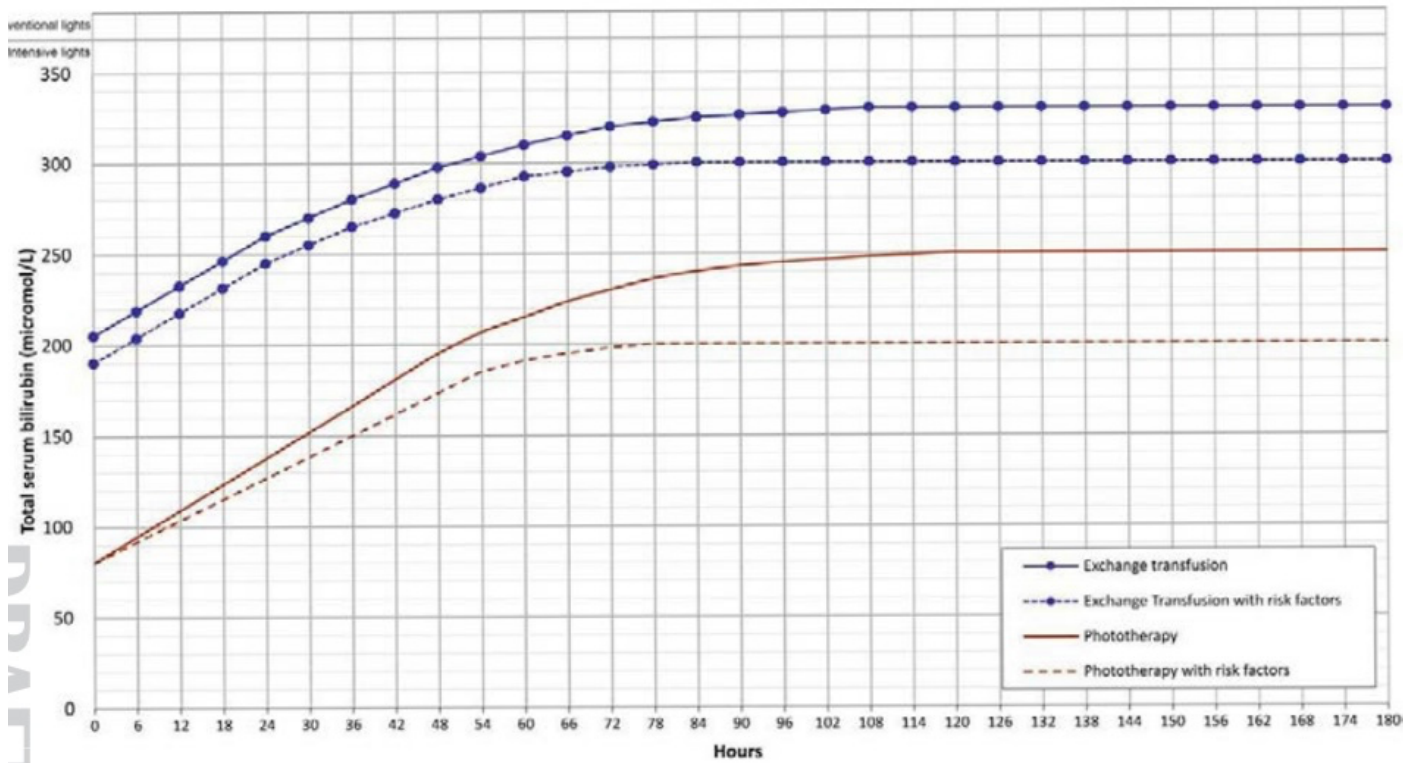
- More than 50% of babies born at term and 80% of pre-term babies have some jaundice
- Normal jaundice / physiological: skin and eyes yellow but no signs of abnormal jaundice; should peak by day 5
- Abnormal jaundice / non-physiological: when starting on first day of life, lasting >14 days in term and >21 days in preterm infants, when associated with a fever or if there is deep jaundice.

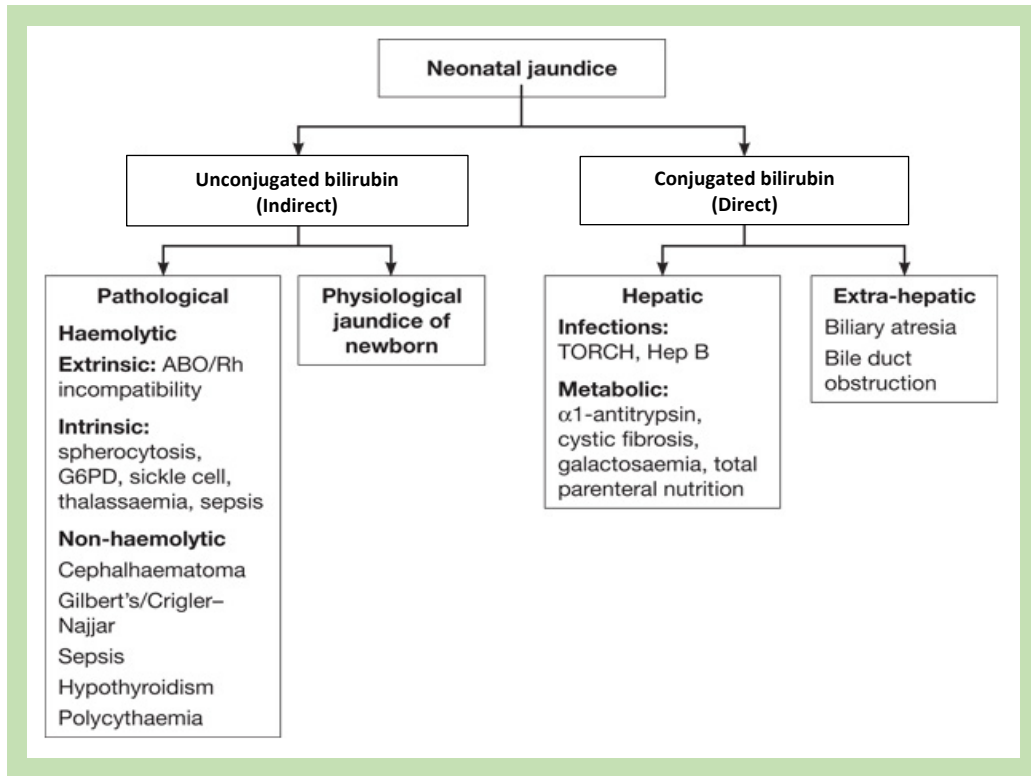


Graph 1: Jaundice management for baby >38 weeks gestation (use lower red dotted line):



Graph 2: Jaundice management for baby 35+0 to 37+6 weeks gestation (use lower red dotted line):





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