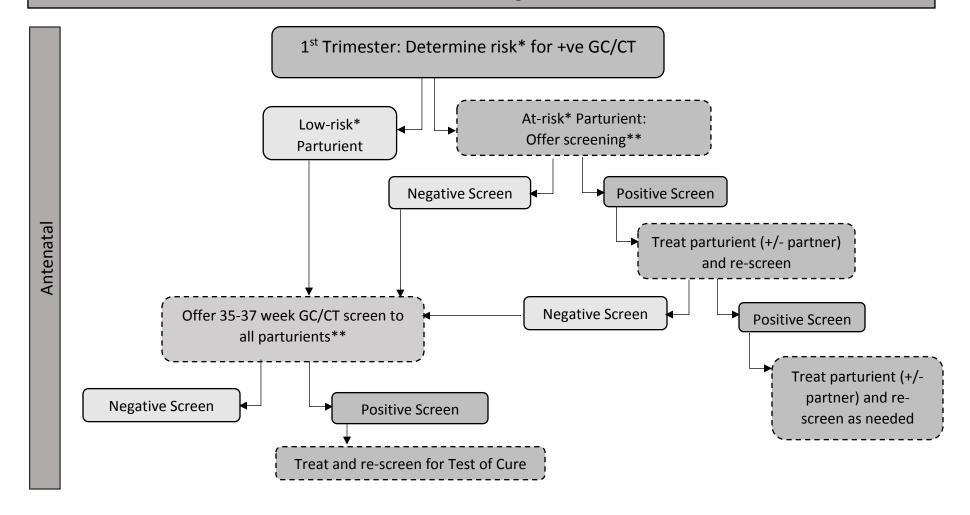
Prevention of Ophthalmia Neonatorum (ON) due to Neisseriae gonorrhoeae (GC): ANTENATAL Screening/Treatment



** The optimal timing and frequency of antenatal screening for gonorrhea/chlamydia (GC/CT) will be directed by clinical judgment in consideration of the risk factors associated with individual patients. Screening and treatment requires informed consent. Parturients may choose to decline – ensure discussion of risk factors and potential health outcomes is clearly documented.

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