

Infertility is defined as the inability to conceive despite regular sexual intercourse without using contraception for 2 years
Cumulative probability of pregnancy in general population: 84% 1st year; 92% 2nd year; 93% 3rd year

Initial assessment

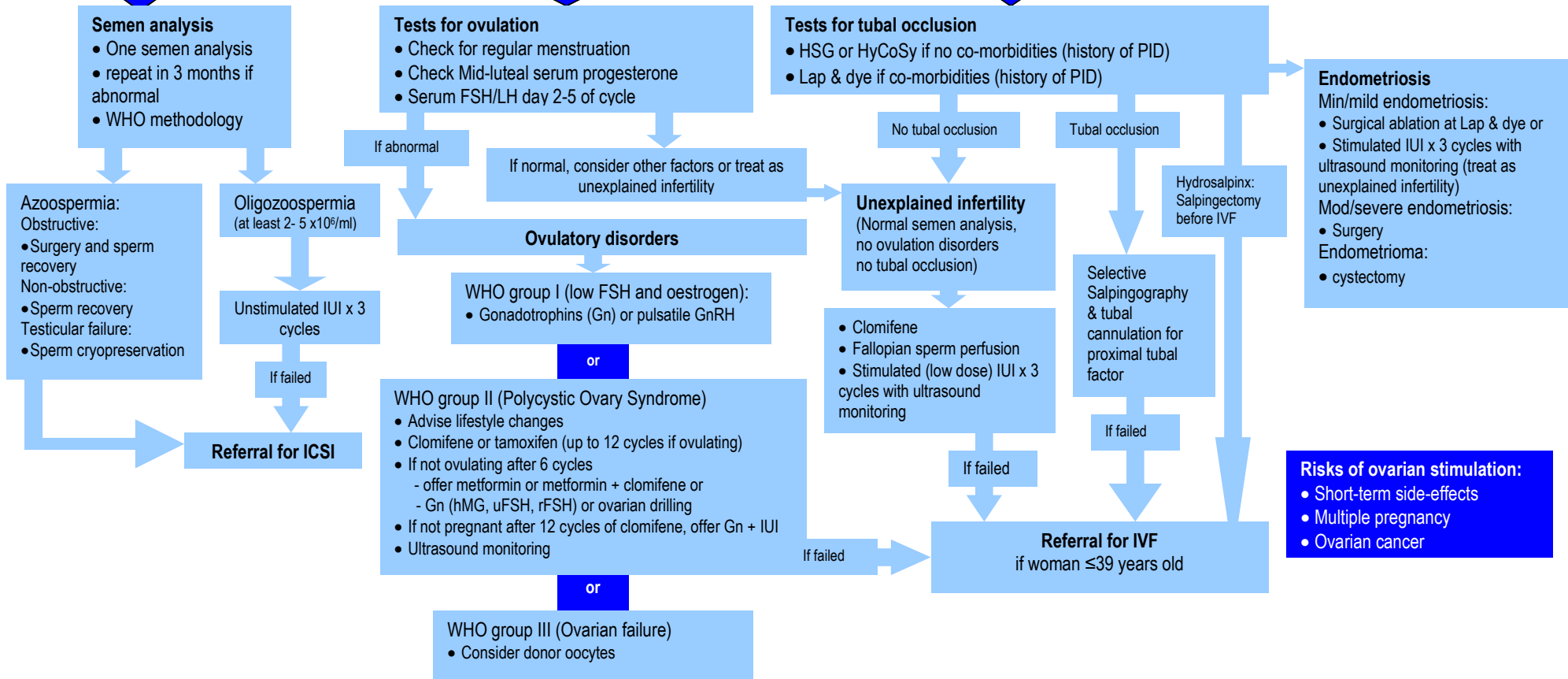
- Duration of infertility -Coital frequency, contraceptive use
- Lifestyle issues - Timing of sexual intercourse, alcohol, smoking, bodyweight, drugs, occupation, stress
- Medical and sexual history, physical examination

Preconceptional health:

- Folate
- Rubella
- Cervical screening
- Chlamydia screening

Principles of care for couples: Couple-centred involvement; verbal and written information; counselling; self-help groups; specialist care if appropriate

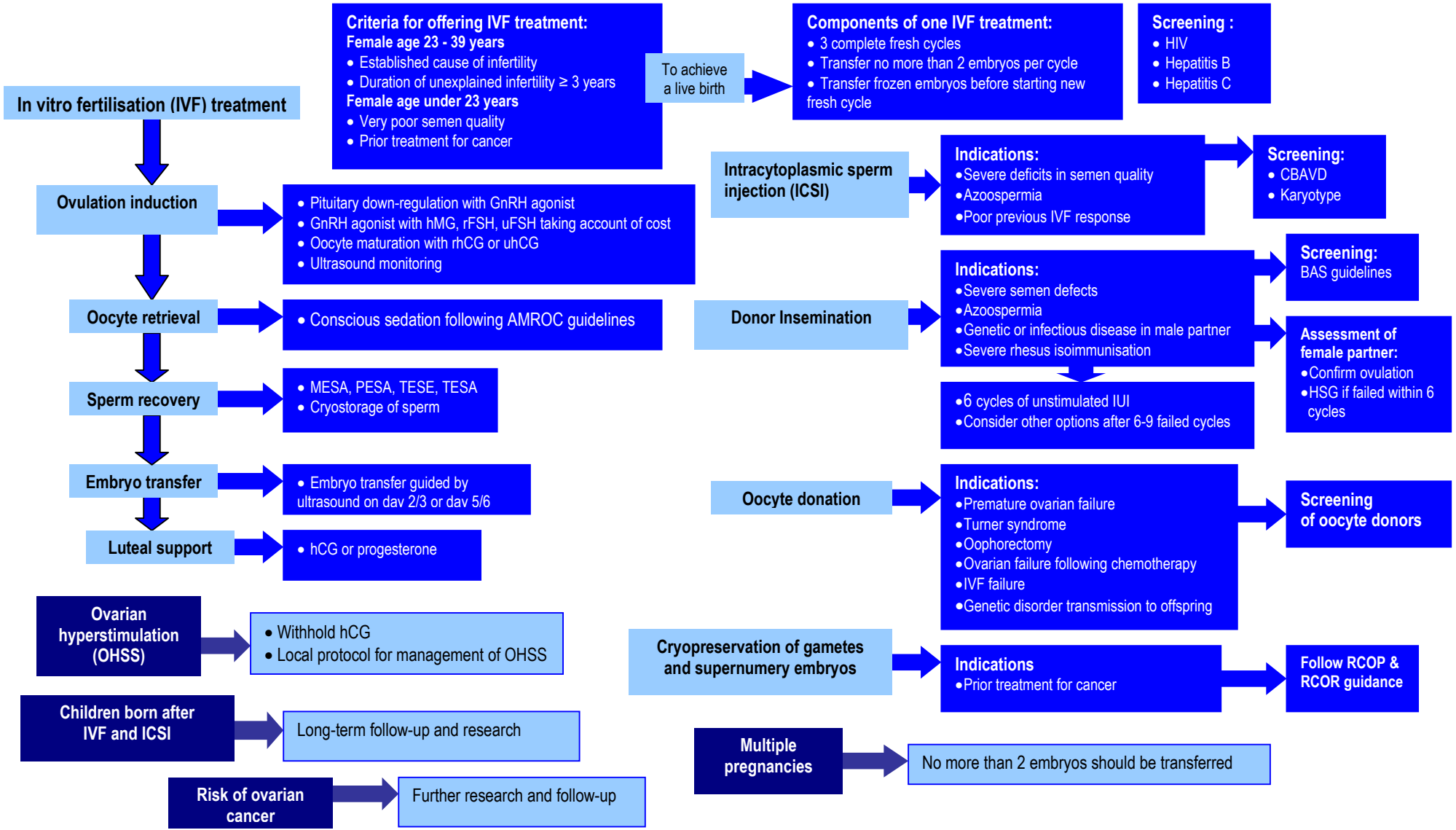
Initial investigation and subsequent treatment



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Assisted reproduction

Principles of care for couples and donors: Couple-centred involvement; self-help group, verbal and written information on risks and implications of assisted reproduction; counselling, including genetic counselling; specialist care; consideration of the welfare of the child



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