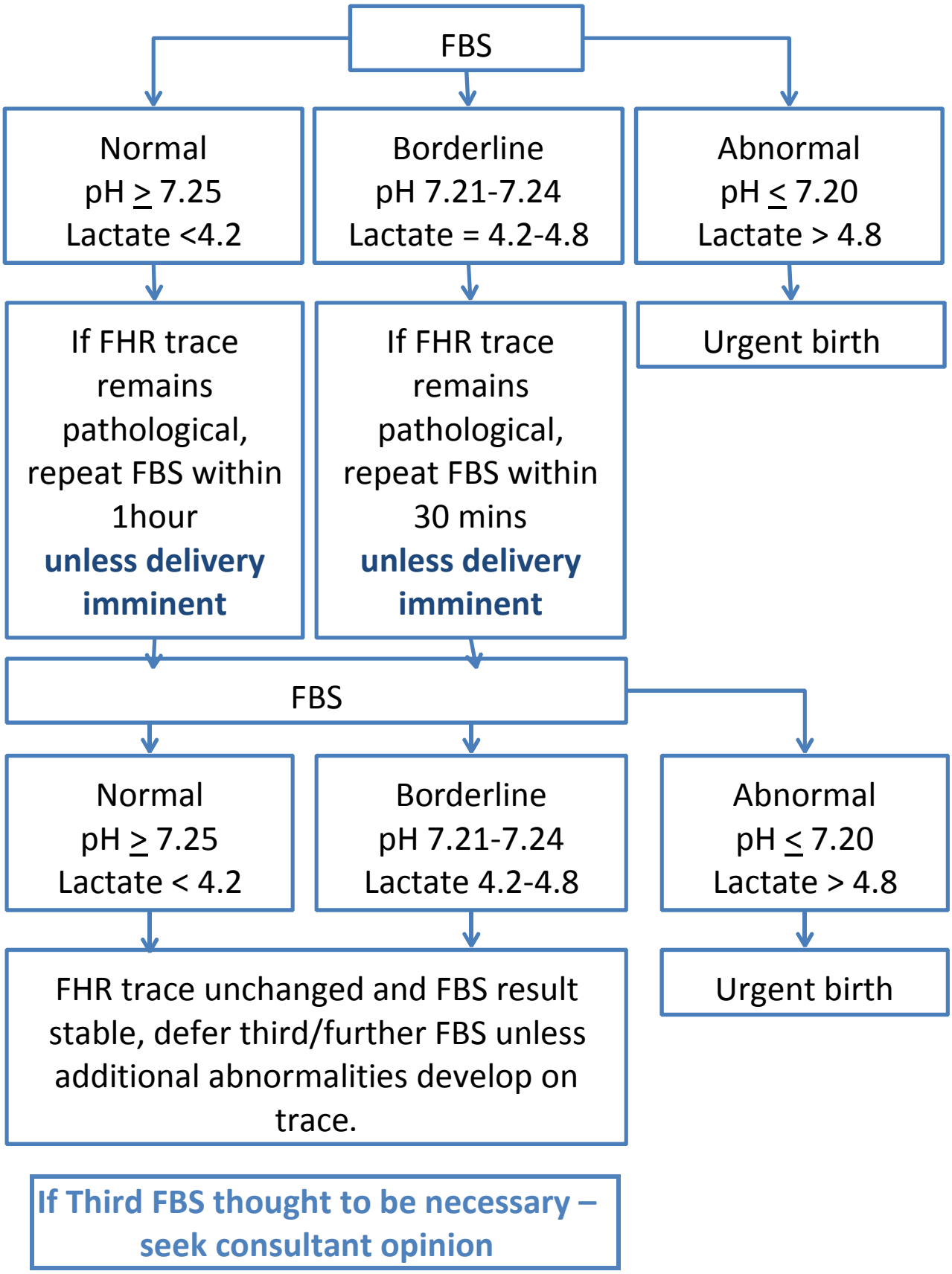
FBS
Normal
pH ≥ 7.25
Lactate <4.2
Borderline
pH 7.21-7.24
Lactate = 4.2-4.8
Abnormal
pH ≤ 7.20
Lactate > 4.8
If FHR trace remains pathological, repeat FBS within 1hour
unless delivery imminent
If FHR trace remains pathological, repeat FBS within 30 mins
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Urgent birth
FBS
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Lactate < 4.2
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pH 7.21-7.24
Lactate 4.2-4.8
Abnormal
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FHR trace unchanged and FBS result stable, defer third/further FBS unless additional abnormalities develop on trace.
Urgent birth
If Third FBS thought to be necessary – seek consultant opinion