

ACOG/SMFM Criteria

PVB Cesarean Decision Checklist



Use this checklist with the appropriate care team members to assist in determining if ACOG/SMFM Criteria have been met, prior to delivery decision.

Cervix < 6 cm

- ☐ Oxytocin administered for at least 12-18 hours after membrane rupture, without achieving cervical change and regular contractions
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- ☐ A longer duration of the latent phase (up to 24 hours or longer if maternal and fetal statuses permit)

Cervix ≥ 6 cm

- ☐ Membranes ruptured
- +
- ☐ No cervical change after at least 4 hours of adequate uterine activity (e.g. strong to palpation or MVUs > 200), or at least 6 hours of oxytocin administration with inadequate uterine activity

Cervix 10 cm / pushing

- ☐ **For nulliparous:** Was there 3hr or more of active pushing (4hr with epidural)?
- OR
- ☐ **For multiparous:** Was there 2 hr or more of active pushing (3hr with epidural)?

For inductions, c/s due to arrest <6cm, active labor has not been achieved, consider giving more time