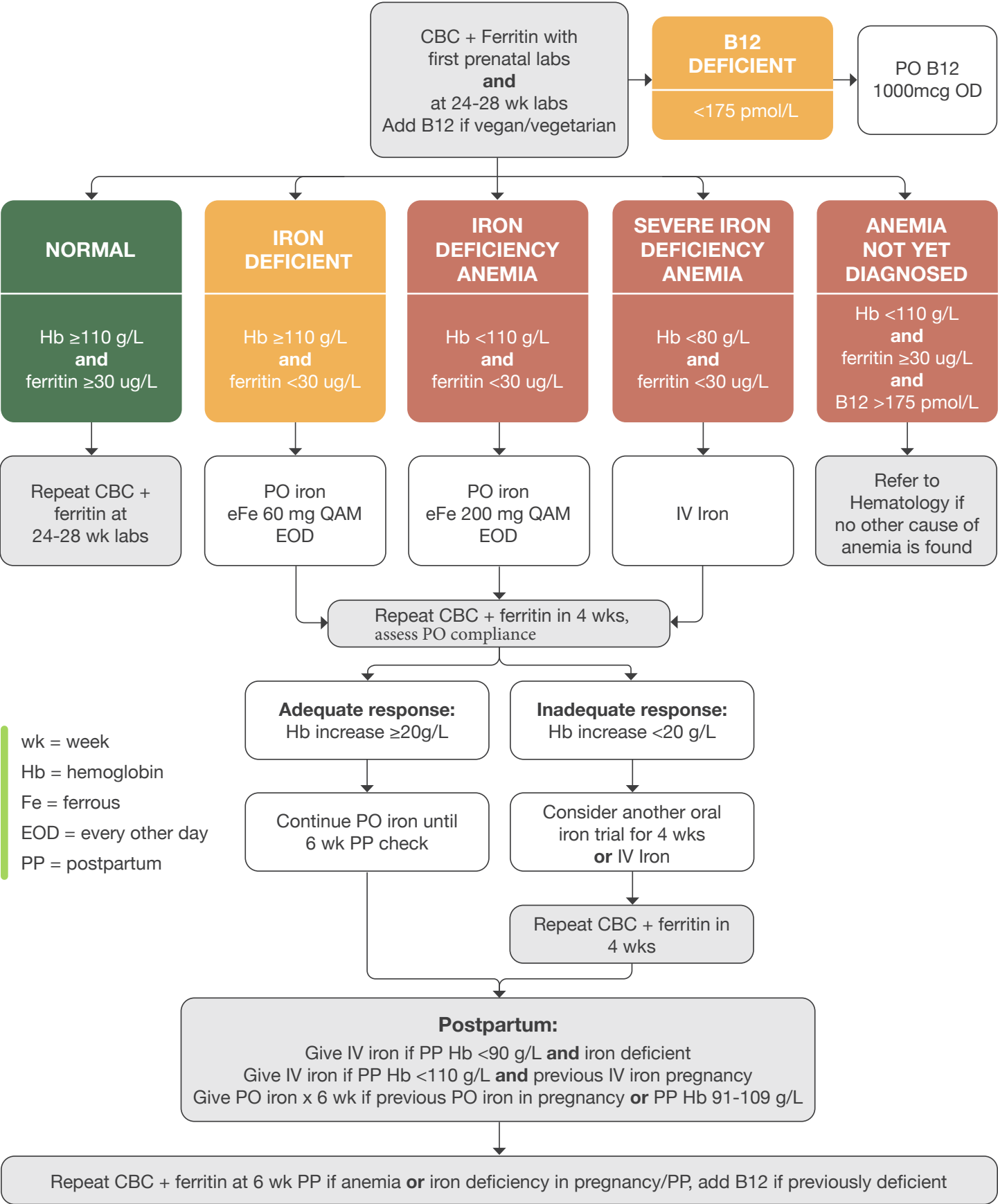


# Alberta Obstetric Anemia and Iron Deficiency Screening and Treatment Algorithm



**Special considerations:**

- If anemic with low MCV consider hemoglobinopathy screening in patients from high risk ethnic backgrounds (non-caucasian, Mediterranean)
- If severe iron deficiency anemia or minimal response to oral iron (taken correctly) consider screening for celiac disease
- If ferritin level is elevated but patient is anemic consider full iron studies and evaluation of ferritin as an acute phase reactant