

## MIDWIFE NIPE EXAMINATION CRITERIA

### **Midwifery staff examination of the newborn**

The following exclusion criteria apply for midwife examinations. Additionally, Midwives can refer any baby to an experienced practitioner if they have concerns about performing the examination.

**Exclusion** criteria for midwife examination:

- Premature, under 36+6 weeks gestation
- Baby required NICU admission or paediatric referral
- Significant family history of genetic or congenital complications
- Suspected or confirmed abnormality at antenatal screening
- Suspected trauma from birth, eg. shoulder dystocia, nerve palsy