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