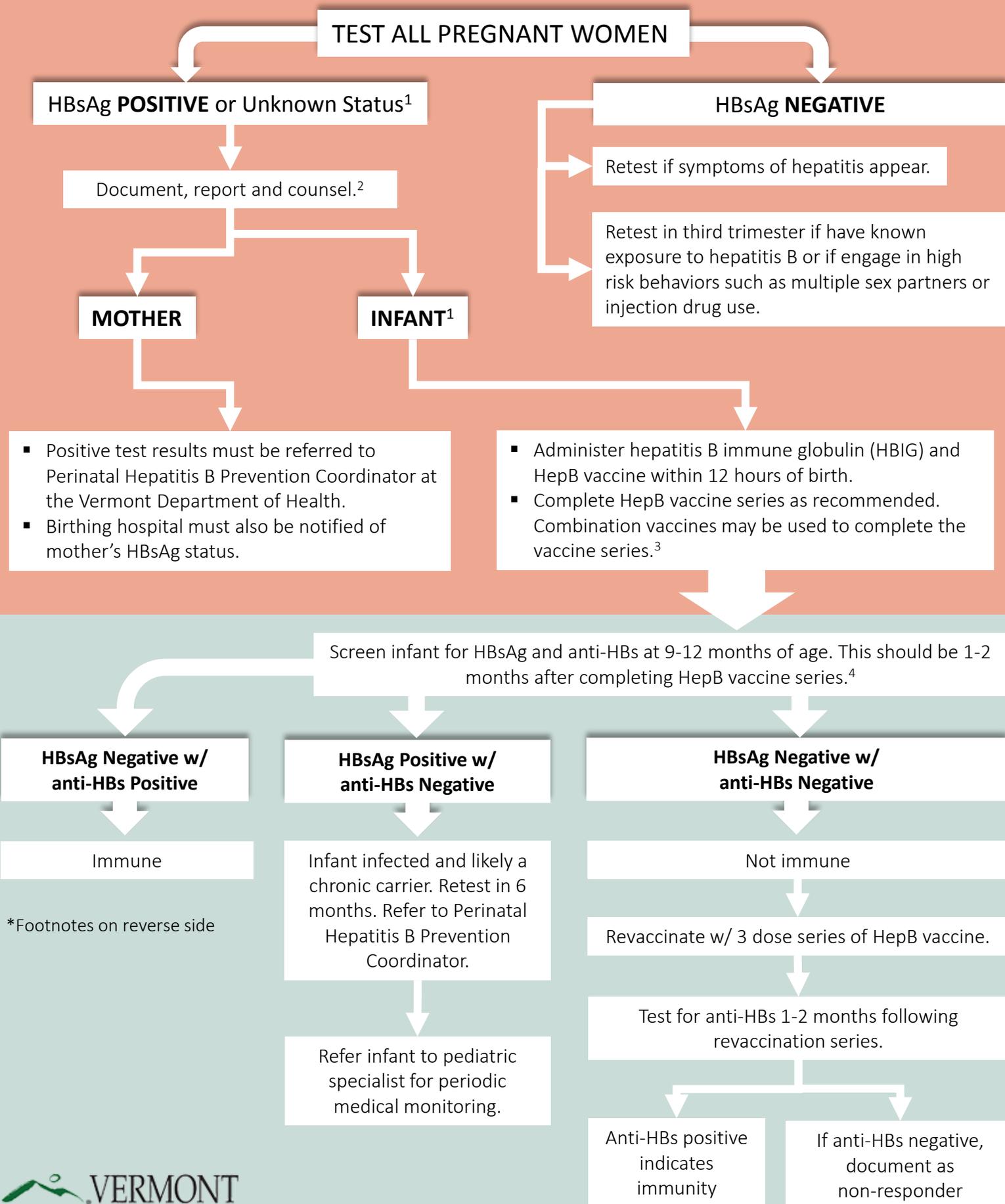


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Report All Suspected Hepatitis B to Public Health

Call: 802-863-7240

Contact the Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Coordinator

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If you have questions regarding the Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program, please email:

AHS.vdhimmunizationprogram@vermont.gov

For more information, please visit:

www.healthvermont.gov

<http://www.cdc.gov/hepatitis/hbv/perinatalxmtn.htm>

FOOTNOTES

1. Infants born to mothers with unknown hepatitis B surface antigen (HBsAg) status should be treated as if the mother is positive.
2. Health care providers are required by law to report diseases of public health importance to the Vermont Department of Health, including Hepatitis B and Hepatitis B, positive surface antigen in a pregnant woman. To report a case, call: 802-863-7240
3. Only the monovalent Hepatitis B vaccine can be given as the birth dose. Prior to 6 weeks of age the use of combination vaccines (Pediarix) for the birth dose can cause the suppression of the immune response of the other vaccine components. Combination vaccines can be used for dose two and dose three of the series.
4. For infants born to HBsAg-positive mothers, post vaccination serology is recommended 1 to 2 months after completion of at least 3 doses of the HepB vaccine series. For a child who received vaccines on schedule, test between age 9 to 12 months. Testing should not be performed before age 9 months, as HBIG might still be present for 6 to 8 months, or within 1 month of the most recent vaccine dose, as a transient false positive HBsAg might occur.