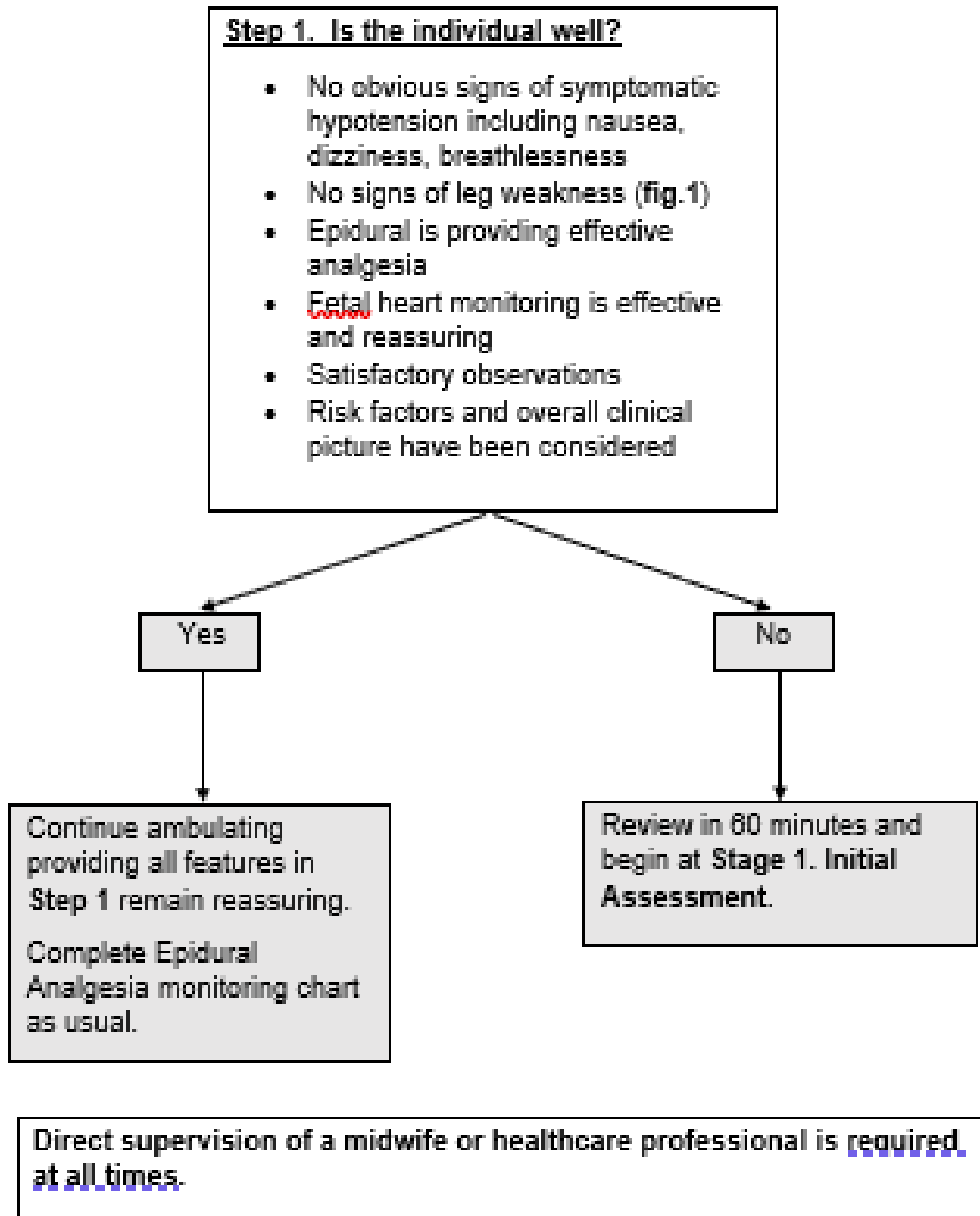


## Appendix 2 – Stage 2 Assessment tool for mobilisation of pregnant women during labour with Epidural Analgesia – Ongoing assessment



## Ongoing assessment continued...

### Troubleshooting and considerations:

If the woman has been sitting/laying down for a period of more than 60 minutes, recommence **Stage 1 Initial Assessment** tool at **Step 1** before ambulation.

Patient controlled boluses may be administered while the individual is mobilising providing **Stage 2 Ongoing Assessment** remains satisfactory however, if the individual requires an additional bolus dose to be given by an anaesthetist, you should allow at least 20 minutes before recommencing **Stage 1 Initial Assessment** tool beginning at **Step 1**.

If the patient has a block of T8 or higher and/or the Epidural Analgesia has been discontinued due to concerns over symptomatic hypotension, the individual should not mobilise. **Stage 1 Initial Assessment** may be revisited 60 minutes following the decreased dose.

A minimum of one support person assisting with mobilisation must be a midwife or registered healthcare professional. Additional support may be provided by a health care support worker or the birthing partner providing the birthing partner is agreeable and is physically able to do so.