

Elective Induction of Labor

1. Double check the patient has good dating criteria

a. Good Dating Criteria

- 1) Ultrasound <22 weeks supports a gestational age of ≥ 39 Weeks
-OR-
- 2) Doppler heart tones present for ≥ 30 weeks
-OR-
- 3) ≥ 36 weeks since a positive hCG result

b. Those **without** "Good Dates" can

- 1) Await Spontaneous Labor
- 2) Be delivered at 41-42 weeks with antenatal testing starting at 40 weeks
- 3) Be scheduled at MFM for fetal lung maturity at 39 weeks

2. Check the patient's cervix and determine the Bishop Score

Bishop Score

Score	Dilation	Effacement	Station	Consistency	Position
0	Closed	0 – 30%	-3	Firm	Posterior
1	1cm – 2cm	40% - 50%	-2	Medium	Midposition
2	3cm – 4cm	60% - 70%	-1, 0	Soft	Anterior
3	5cm – 6cm	$\geq 80\%$	$\geq +1$	----	

3. Discuss the patient with the Clinic OB attending and determine the induction plan whether it's necessary to admit the night before for pre-induction cervical ripening

4. Call Labor and Delivery (512-4921) to schedule the induction

5. Call Attending who will be on call when the patient is admitted to discuss the induction