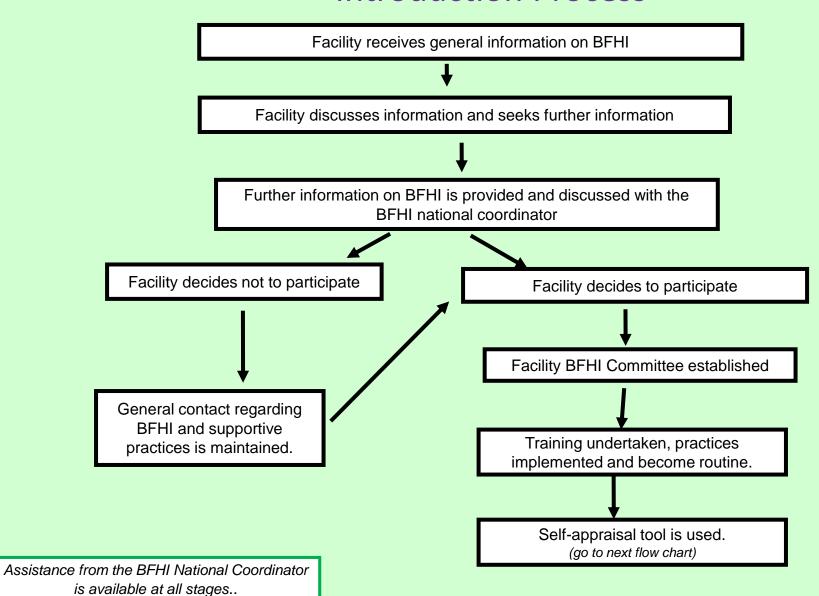
## THE BABY-FRIENDLY HEALTH INITIATIVE IN IRELAND Introduction Process



## THE BABY-FRIENDLY HEALTH INITIATIVE IN IRELAND Designation Process

Facility appraises its own practices, studying the Global Criteria, using the Self-Appraisal Tool and carrying out audits. Either: Meets high standards, as indicated by the Or: Does not meet standards and self-appraisal, audits and document review. recognizes need for improvements. Facility studies the Global Criteria, analyses External assessors conduct an assessment using the gaps and develops a plan of action to to Hospital External Assessment Tools. raise and sustain standards. Either: Meets the Global Or: Does not meet the Criteria for a baby-Global Criteria for a babyfriendly hospital. friendly hospital. Facility implements plan of action, and baby-friendly practices become routine. Facility has informal contact and site visit to assist with actions and help determine The facility receives the Baby Assessment team writes report if the facility is ready. Friendly Award and Plaque. and discusses with facility. Facility analyses problem areas and develops plan of action Monitoring and reassessment takes place (see next diagram). Assistance from the BFHI National Coordinator is available at all stages...

## THE BABY-FRIENDLY HEALTH INITIATIVE IN IRELAND Monitoring and Reassessment Process

