1. Determine the **eligibility** of the pregnant woman to receive community-directed IPTp (using these inclusion criteria):

- **Woman is 13 or more weeks pregnant:**
  - Ask about the date of the first day of the last normal menstrual period (LNMP) and use a pregnancy wheel to determine the gestational age.
  - If woman is unsure of LNMP or gestational age, ask if quickening has occurred (i.e., the baby has started to move in the womb), which suggests a pregnancy of 16 or more weeks.
  - Woman **has not taken a sulfa-containing drug in the last 4 weeks.** Sulfa-containing drugs include:
    - SP
    - Co-trimoxazole
    - Septrin
    - Bactrim
    - Fansidar

- **Woman is less than 13 weeks pregnant:**
  - If LNMP is unknown, has not yet felt the baby moving in the womb (quickening). This occurs from 16 weeks of pregnancy.

2. Review woman for any of these **exclusion** criteria:

- **Woman received a sulfa-containing drug (including SP or co-trimoxazole) in the last 4 weeks.**

- **Woman has an allergy to sulfa-containing drugs,** has experienced an adverse reaction to a sulfa-containing drug, or has experienced a severe adverse reaction to any previous medication.

3. If you determine the pregnant woman is eligible for the first dose of quality-assured SP and the national policy allows community health workers to administer it in the community:

- **Have a cup of clean water available.**
- **Give a dose of SP (three tablets) as IPTp.**
- **Watch woman swallow the three tablets (directly observed therapy).**
- **Keep the used SP blister packs for record purposes and future restocking.**
- **Remind woman to go to the nearest health facility to get her second dose in 4 weeks’ time.**

4. Document and refer:

- **Document:**
  - Complete an antenatal care (ANC) appointment card for the pregnant woman.
  - Fill in the community health worker register with the name of the woman, ANC card number, and the medication given, if any.

- **Refer:**
  - Refer every pregnant woman you visit to the nearest health facility for comprehensive ANC.
  - Also refer woman to health facility if she reported a previous adverse reaction to a sulfa-containing drug.

5. Plan to visit the woman again in 4 weeks to follow up on her health-seeking behavior:

- **Did she go to the health facility for ANC and IPTp?**
- **If your national policy allows you to provide follow-up doses, provide next IPTp dose if necessary.**