ALGORITHM 5: MANAGEMENT Recurrent Acute Otitis Media (rAOM)

Ensure the current episode of AOMwoP or AOMwiP has been treated appropriately (see algorithm 4 and 6)

Has bulging or discharge resolved?

- **YES**
  - Review monthly for 3 months
  - Treat as per Algorithm 4 or Algorithm 6

- **NO**
  - High risk child?*
    - **YES**
      - Prophylactic antibiotics. *Amoxicillin* 25-50 mg / kg 1-2 times a day for 3-6 months
      - Continue to review monthly (see algorithm 1)
    - **NO**
      - Persistent bilateral OME (see algorithm 3)

  **IMPROVED** (No AOM for 3 months and no persistent bilateral OME)
  - Resolved
    - Advise parents to return if they have any further concern

  **NOT IMPROVED**
  - Further episodes of AOM
  - Refer for ENT assessment
  - Refer for a hearing assessment

*Child at high risk of AOMwiP or CSOM has one or more of the following risk factors: who lives in remote communities; less than 2 years of age; has had their first episode of OM before 6 months of age; with a family history of CSOM; with a current or previous TM perforation; with craniofacial abnormalities, cleft palate, Down Syndrome, immunodeficiency or cochlear implants; with developmental delay; with hearing loss; with severe visual impairment.