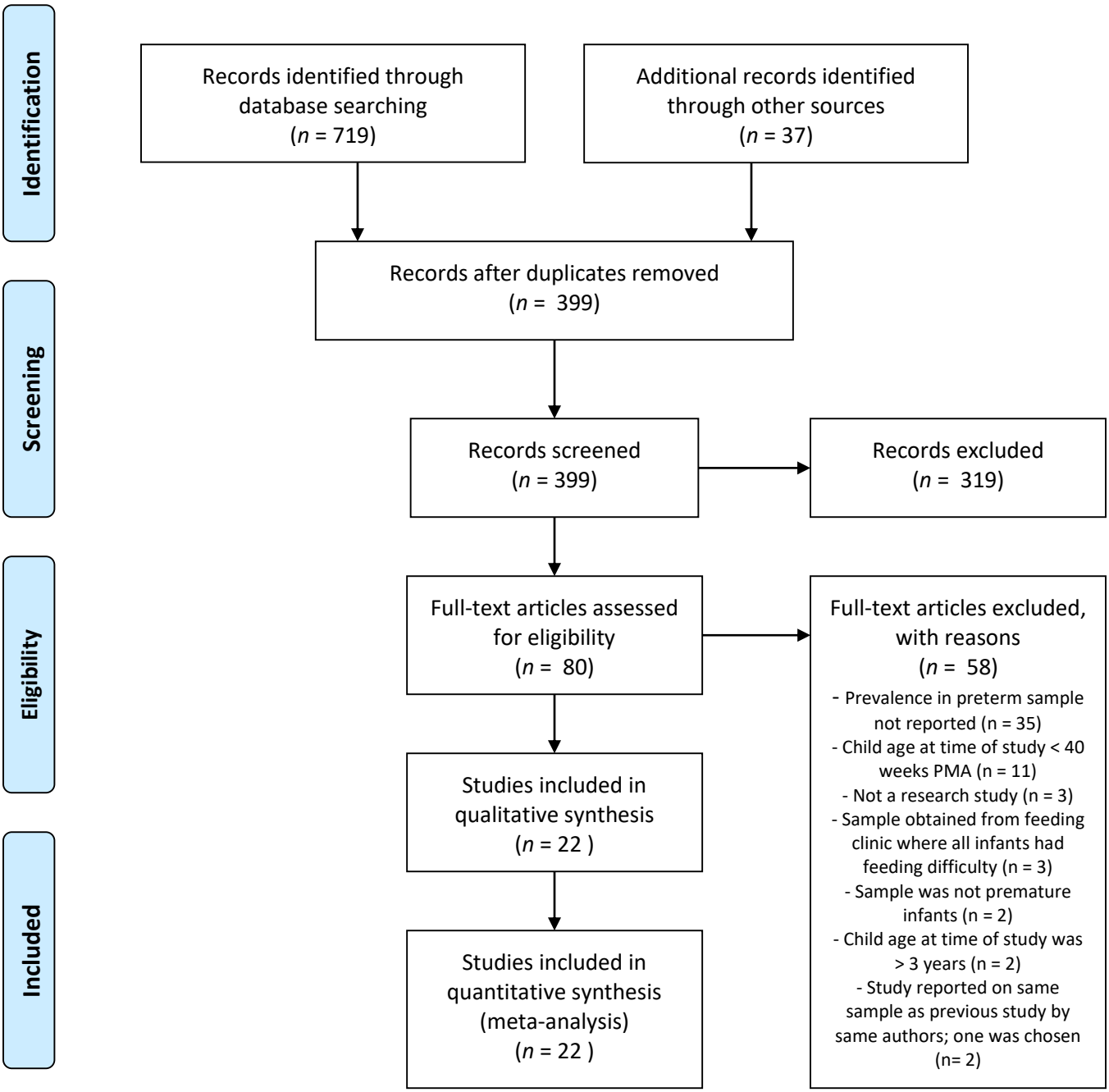
Identification
Screening
Eligibility
Included
Records identified through database searching (n = 719)
Additional records identified through other sources (n = 37)
Records after duplicates removed (n = 399)
Records screened (n = 399)
Records excluded (n = 319)
Full-text articles assessed for eligibility (n = 80)
Full-text articles excluded, with reasons (n = 58)
- Prevalence in preterm sample not reported (n = 35)
- Child age at time of study < 40 weeks PMA (n = 11)
- Not a research study (n = 3)
- Sample obtained from feeding clinic where all infants had feeding difficulty (n = 3)
- Sample was not premature infants (n = 2)
- Child age at time of study was > 3 years (n = 2)
- Study reported on same sample as previous study by same authors; one was chosen (n= 2)
Studies included in qualitative synthesis (n = 22)
Studies included in quantitative synthesis (meta-analysis) (n = 22)