

ABOUT THIS CLASS

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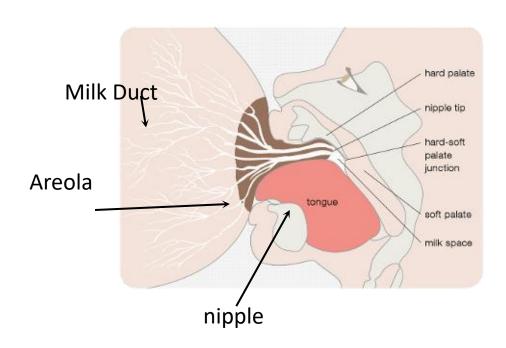
AGENDA

- Benefits of breastfeeding
- Breastfeeding basics: body parts, accessories, positions
- Breastfeeding over time: prenatal, first hour, day, week Dad/partner's role
- Pumping: why, where, and pitfalls
- More tips: Bottle feeding, diet, mastitis

BENEFITS OF BREASTFEEDING

- For baby
- MORE immunity transfer, soothing, pain relief
- LESS ear infections, gastroenteritis, pneumonia, asthma, eczema, obesity, diabetes, leukemia, SIDS
- For Mom
- MORE Bonding, oxytocin (sex hormone!)
- LESS Breast cancer, ovarian cancer, type 2 diabetes, post-partum depression.

BREASTFEEDING BODY PARTS



BREASTFEEDING ACCESSORIES

- Must haves
 - NOTHING! Your drugstore has what you need
- If you get a few things...
 - Breast pump
 - · Baby log book
 - · Vitamin D drops
 - Breastfeeding friendly bottles
 - · Suction-only silicone bulb pump
 - Nursing pillow

BREASTFEEDING ACCESSORIES

- If you get a few more things...
 - Nipple ointment (not lanolin)
 - Nursing bra and tanks
- Don't get
 - Nipple shields
 - · Formula "just in case"

BREASTFEEDING POSITIONS



PRENATAL BREASTFEEDING SUPPORT

- Learn about what is normal
- Prepare your family and partner to support you
- Read a book about breastfeeding
- Join an online breastfeeding support group
- Find a local Mommy-baby group
- Prepare meals and snacks ahead
- Find a lactation consultant you can contact
- Breastfeeding friendly pediatrician

BREASTFEEDING: THE FIRST HOUR

- Skin to skin
- Minimize interventions
- Latch within 45 minutes
- The newborn crawl

BREASTFEEDING: THE FIRST DAY

• When to feed baby? Every 1-3 hours

Which side to start on?

Alternate each time

• How long per feeding? 40-60 minutes

• When do I sleep? Between feedings

Getting help
 Nurse, Doula, Lactation consultant

BREASTFEEDING: THE FIRST DAY

How often should I feed baby?

Every 1-3 hours

• Is baby getting enough? Baby's weight and diapers

My milk isn't coming in
 Day 3-5 is normal

Day/night reversal
 Baby sleeps more in the day

Second night syndrome
 Baby is fussy at night

TAKING CARE OF MOM

- Breast and nipple care
- Sleep
- Nutrition
- Emotional support
- Physical healing

DAD/PARTNER AND BREASTFEEDING

- Ways Dad can help
 - Support mom (food, sleep, tidy bedroom)
 - All baby care except feeding
 - · House work, laundry, food preparation
- Tips for Dad
 - Milk is liquid gold! Treat every drop well even if you think it went bad
 - Trust Mom's intuition about baby

DAD/PARTNER AND BREASTFEEDING

- Why?
 - Separation work, appointments, exercise
 - Baby isn't transferring early on, need to stimulate supply
 - Build a freezer stash for later
- Pumping Pitfalls
 - Oversupply
 - Poor fit
 - Using pump ineffectively

PUMPING AT WORK

- Plan to pump every 3 hours
- Prepare: Practice, stash, scheduling
- Your legal rights: Space, Time, Storage, Pay
- Make it efficient: wearable pump, multiple sets of parts, store in one bottle

I DIET, EXERCISE, WEIGHT LOSS

- Fluids: You need 3-4 liters per day
- Protein: a little more than usual
- Calcium: A little more than usual
- Vitamin D: Take a supplement
- Calories: You will burn 300-500 extra/day
- How to lose weight: Exercise, slow diet changes

BOTTLE FEEDING THE BREASTFED BABY

- Slow flow or preemie nipple
- Paced feeding
- Don't overfeed too much volume
- Use the bottle for suck training

BLOCKED DUCTS AND MASTITIS

- Painful lumps in the breast
- Gentle massage, ibuprofen, ice pack
- Mastitis: Fever, redness, needs antibiotics

TAKE HOME POINTS

- Skin to skin
- Feed on demand
- Weigh every few days until baby is gaining well
- Get help if worried
- Believe in yourself, your intuition, and your body!

Thanks!

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