

## the newborn

# Your Growing Child A Family Brochure

Babies grow, change and learn differently. Here are some tips to help you enjoy and keep your new baby healthy and safe.

Call your clinic, public health nurse or school district if you have questions or concerns about your baby.

#### Health

Breast milk is best, offer ONLY breast milk or iron-fortified formula.

Appetite will vary depending on growth and activity. A newborn baby:

 Needs a Child and Teen Checkups health check starting as a newborn - 1 month. Regular health checks are important.



- Has 6-8 wet diapers a day. BMs will vary.
- May nurse 8-12 times or take 20-24 ounces of formula a day. No solid foods yet!
- Burps at least once during and after a feeding.
- May sleep 11-23 hours a day.

Put babies to sleep on their backs, with crib rails up. Babies should not sleep on extra soft surfaces (waterbed, sofa or pillow).

#### Learning

Crying is your baby's first try at talking to you.

Babies cry when they

are hungry, hot, cold, wet, sick or hurt. You will learn the meanings of these cries.

Try to:

- Respond quickly to cries. This will build trust.
- Hold your baby often. It won't spoil him.
- Read, talk and sing to your baby often.

Remember that all behavior has meaning. Asking yourself, "What is my baby trying to tell me?" will help you decide how to respond in sensitive ways.

Sometimes it's hard to comfort your baby take a break when you need to!

### Safety

- **ALWAYS** use an approved car seat, properly secured in the back seat.
- Keep your hot water temperature below 120°F. Before bathing your baby, check the water temperature with your wrist.
- Don't let *anyone* smoke around your baby.
- Never tie a pacifier around your baby's neck or to her clothing.
- Never leave your baby alone in a bathtub no matter how little water is in it.
- Don't let your baby fall. Keep one hand on your baby when on a high surface (changing table, sofa or counter).

- Don't drink, eat or hold anything hot while holding your baby.
- Always hold your baby when feeding. Don't prop the bottle.
- Never warm your baby's bottle in the microwave.
- Keep plastic bags, balloons, safety pins and small objects away from your baby.
- Use smoke detectors and check them twice per year (such as at daylight-savings time).
- Never leave your baby alone or with a young sibling or pet.

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