KS Breastfeeding: Update

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Ten Hospital Practices for Successful Breastfeeding

1. Facility will have a written maternity care and infant feeding policy that addresses all ten High 5 for Mom & Baby practices supporting breastfeeding.

2. Facility will maintain staff competency in lactation support.

3. All pregnant women will receive information and instruction on breastfeeding.

4. Assure immediate and sustained skin-to-skin contact between mother and baby after birth.

5. All families will receive individualized infant feeding counseling.

6. Give newborn infants no food or drink other than breastmilk unless medically indicated.

7. Practice “rooming in” - allow mothers and infants to remain together 24 hours a day.

8. Families will be encouraged to feed their babies when the baby exhibits feeding cues, regardless of feeding methods.

9. Give no pacifiers or artificial nipples to breastfeeding infants.

10. Provide mothers options for breastfeeding support in the community (such as a telephone number, walk-in clinic information, support groups, etc.) upon discharge.
Earning High 5 Recognition

High 5 for Mom & Baby
facilities complete

5/10 PRACTICES

High 5 for Mom & Baby
Premier facilities complete

ALL TEN PRACTICES
Kansas Breastfeeding Rates 2010-2018

Source: 2018 Births, National Immunization Survey, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services
Kansas Ranks 9th in the Nation
% of infants exclusively breastfed through 6 mo.

Kansas – 32%

† Exclusive breastfeeding is defined as ONLY breast milk - No solids, no water, and no other liquids.
†† Breastfeeding rates through 2008 births are based on the National Immunization Survey’s landline sampling frame. Starting with 2009 births, rates are based on the National Immunization Survey’s dual-frame sample that includes respondents surveyed on landline or cellular telephones. If you would like more information about the sampling methodology and the impact of adding a sample of cellular telephone respondents to the National Immunization Survey, you can visit https://www.cdc.gov/breastfeeding/data/nis_data/survey_methods.htm.
§ Only breastfeeding rates based on a dual-frame sample that includes respondents surveyed on landline or cellular telephones are included in trend graphics. If you would like more information about the sampling methodology and the impact of adding a sample of cellular telephone respondents to the National Immunization Survey, you can visit https://www.cdc.gov/breastfeeding/data/nis_data/survey_methods.htm.

Data Source: National Immunization Survey
Kansas Ranks 15th in the Nation

% of infants breastfed at 12 months

Kansas – 38.5%
Breastfeeding Rates

Source: 2018 Births, National Immunization Survey, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services
High 5 for Mom & Baby is committed to helping birthing facilities as they identify areas for improvement in breastfeeding support.

- Discussion and collaboration with fellow High 5 for Mom & Baby facilities
- Continued support through education
- Policy development
- Collaboration with programs that provide support and education to the birthing family and staff caring for them
Hospital Breastfeeding/Infant-Feeding Policy Checklist

The ten High 5 for Mom & Baby practices are based on the WHO/UNICEF Ten Steps to Successful Breastfeeding, evidence-based practices proven to increase breastfeeding success and reduce racial and ethnic disparities.

Note: Hospital policy is not required to address every item on this checklist but should cover most of them.

Step 1: Facility will have a written maternity care and infant-feeding policy addressing the High 5 for Mom & Baby practices supporting breastfeeding.
- Policy supports all 10 High 5 for Mom & Baby practices
- All staff are familiar with the policy and are familiar with its contents

Step 2: Facility will maintain staff competency in lactation support.
- All maternity care staff complete training in breastfeeding and lactation management (using Kansas Breastfeeding Education on the K-State platform or similar/comparable staff education)
- All new staff complete lactation education within 6 months of hire

Step 3: All pregnant women will receive information and instruction on breastfeeding.
- All pregnant women are informed of basic breastfeeding management and care practices
- Facility supports breastfeeding employees by providing reasonable break time and a private, safe place to express milk close to their workplace

Step 4: Assure immediate and sustained skin-to-skin contact between mother and baby after birth.
- Babies are placed skin to skin immediately after vaginal delivery if medically stable
- Babies are placed skin to skin as soon as both mom and baby are medically stable after a C-section delivery
- Babies remain skin to skin until after the first feeding when breastfeeding is desired

Step 5: All families will receive individualized infant-feeding counseling.
- Breastfeeding families receive individualized teaching on feeding cues, positioning, and latch, and how to tell the baby is getting enough to eat
- Families choose not to breastfeed receive appropriate education on formula preparation and feeding

Step 6: Give newborn infants no food or drink other than breast milk unless medically indicated.
- Breastfeeding babies receive breast milk only unless ordered due to medical necessity
- Any reasons for supplementation are clearly documented
- Breastfeeding mothers are taught hand expression

Step 7: Practice rooming-in – allow mothers and infants to remain together 24 hours a day.
- Education on the benefits of rooming-in provided to all families
- Babies room in with the mother, including at night and during routine care by hospital staff

Step 8: Families will be encouraged to feed their babies when the baby exhibits feeding cues, regardless of feeding methods.
- All families, regardless of feeding method, are taught to recognize hunger cues
- Babies are fed 8 or more times in 24 hours, without restriction on feeding length or frequency
- Mothers who are separated from their infants are educated on expressing their milk appropriately

Step 9: Give no pacifiers or artificial nipples to breastfeeding infants.
- Breastfeeding babies are not offered pacifiers or artificial nipples
- Families are educated in milk production and encouraged to feed frequently

Step 10: Provide mothers options for breastfeeding support in the community (such as telephone number walk-in clinic information, support groups, etc.) upon discharge.
- Families are provided information regarding where to access help and support with breastfeeding following discharge from the hospital

Find this tool and many more at https://www.high5kansas.org/resources-for-hospitals
Maximizing the support and education we offer:

- Prenatal clinic collaboration
- Hospital caregiver education
- Postpartum plan
Lactation support may be the first contact for a postpartum person following discharge.
Breastfeeding and Fourth Trimester Initiative

High 5 for Mom & Baby Premier Recognition
- Advent Health Shawnee Mission
- Advent Health Ottawa
- Ascension Via Christi St. Joseph
- Citizens Medical Center
- Community Healthcare System
- Hays Medical Center
- Kearny County Hospital
- Lawrence Memorial Hospital
- Memorial Health System
- New Birth Company
- Pratt Regional Medical Center
- Stormont Vail Health
- University of Kansas Health System-KC
- University of Kansas Health System-St. Francis Campus

High 5 for Mom & Baby Recognition
- Amberwell Hiawatha Community Hospital
- Amberwell Atchison
- Coffeyville Regional Medical Center
- Geary Community Hospital
- Hutchinson Regional Medical Center
- Nemaha Valley Community Hospital
- Neosho Memorial Medical Center
- Newman Regional Health
- Providence Medical Center
- Sabetha Community Hospital

Only **FIVE** Fourth Trimester Initiative participants are not currently recognized as a High 5 for Mom & Baby or Baby-Friendly USA facility!
Action Needed!

- Find out more and apply for High 5 for Mom & Baby recognition on our website: [www.high5kansas.org](http://www.high5kansas.org).
- If you would like to be added to our distribution list please reach out at coordinator@high5kansas.org.
- Find FREE breastfeeding education with CEUs at [https://ks.train.org/ks](https://ks.train.org/ks). Search for “Kansas Breastfeeding Education”.
- Find the Hospital Breastfeeding Policy checklist and other helpful tools and links on the High 5 for Mom & Baby resource page.