

## *Essential Newborn Care* 2

# **SIMULATION PRACTICE CARDS**



### ***Quick, hands-on practice of Assessment and Continuing Care***

- Learning cases for two or three people
- Based on situations that providers encounter in the health facility



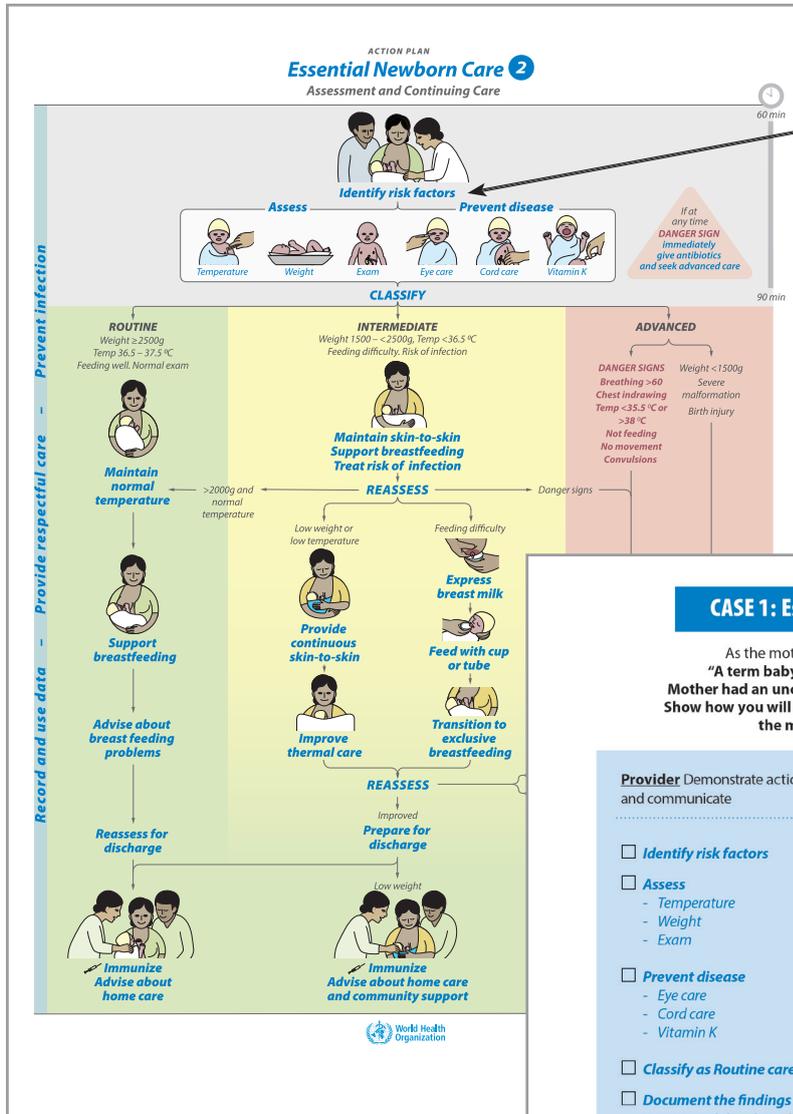
**World Health  
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*The recommended management of the cases are based on WHO guidelines*

# PRINT OR USE ONLINE PRACTICE CARDS:

<https://hmbs.org/>

## Action Plan:



Action step (blue)

Case

### CASE 1: Essential care from 60 – 90 minutes

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**"A term baby cried at birth and breastfed in the first hour. Mother had an uncomplicated pregnancy, labor and vaginal delivery. Show how you will assess and classify the baby and communicate with the mother (assessment findings: normal)."**

**Provider** Demonstrate action steps and communicate

- Identify risk factors**
- Assess**
  - Temperature
  - Weight
  - Exam
- Prevent disease**
  - Eye care
  - Cord care
  - Vitamin K
- Classify as Routine care**
- Document the findings of assessment, treatments, and classification.**

**Mother (or helper)** If action is not done, use the prompts to provide hint

- Is my baby sick?
- "Is my baby cold?"
- "How much does my baby weigh?"
- "Tell me what you are doing."
- "What are you doing? Why?"
- "What happens with my baby now?"
- Is my baby ok?"

#### Discuss together

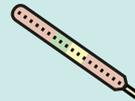
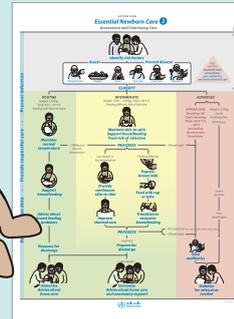
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- How did you
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  - prevent infection?
  - record and use data?

Discuss together

# EQUIPMENT

- Action Plan
- Newborn mannequin
- (Skin cleaner)
- Cloths (dry and clean)
- Skin to skin cloth
- Head covering
- Thermometer
- Eye ointment
- Infant scale
- Vitamin K vial
- Syringe
- (Breast model)
- (Breast milk container)
- Feeding cup
- Antibiotics
- Antibiotics table
- Pen and paper
- Parent Guide



| Weight       | Amoxicillin 500 mg/100 mg tablets | Amoxicillin 250 mg/50 mg tablets |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1.0 - 1.4 kg | 0.25 tablets                      | 0.5 tablets                      |
| 1.5 - 1.9 kg | 0.5 tablets                       | 0.75 tablets                     |
| 2.0 - 2.4 kg | 0.75 tablets                      | 1.0 tablets                      |
| 2.5 - 2.9 kg | 1.0 tablets                       | 1.25 tablets                     |
| 3.0 - 3.4 kg | 1.25 tablets                      | 1.5 tablets                      |
| 3.5 - 3.9 kg | 1.5 tablets                       | 1.75 tablets                     |
| 4.0 - 4.4 kg | 1.75 tablets                      | 2.0 tablets                      |



## HOW TO USE THE SIMULATION PRACTICE CARDS

1. **Work in groups of two or three**
2. **Choose the case you want to practice**
3. **Find the necessary equipment**

4. **Choose roles and start the exercise**

Mother:

- Read the case
- Engages with the simulator, ask questions, give prompts as needed

Provider:

- Demonstrate action step without looking at checklist (look at the Action Plan)
- Communicate with the mother (and the helper)

Helper (optional):

- Give prompts as needed.

5. **Participants switch roles and repeat the exercise**

6. **When the exercise is finished, review the action steps and Discuss together:**

- Provider/s review the action steps and reflect on their performance.
- Mother/s and helper/s give comments to improve performance and show steps that were missed during the exercise.

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## Assessment and Continuing Care

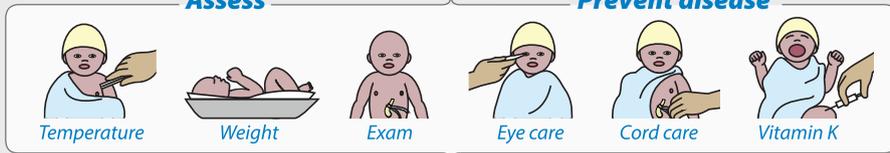
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Identify risk factors

Assess

Prevent disease



If at any time  
**DANGER SIGN**  
immediately  
give antibiotics  
and seek advanced care

90 min

CLASSIFY

### ROUTINE

Weight  $\geq 2500g$   
Temp  $36.5 - 37.5^\circ C$   
Feeding well. Normal exam



Maintain normal temperature



Support breastfeeding

Advise about breast feeding problems

Reassess for discharge



Immunize  
Advise about home care

### INTERMEDIATE

Weight  $1500 - <2500g$ , Temp  $<36.5^\circ C$   
Feeding difficulty. Risk of infection



Maintain skin-to-skin  
Support breastfeeding  
Treat risk of infection

REASSESS

Low weight or low temperature



Provide continuous skin-to-skin

Improve thermal care

Feeding difficulty



Express breast milk  
Feed with cup or tube

Transition to exclusive breastfeeding

REASSESS

Improved

Prepare for discharge

Low weight



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Advise about home care and community support

### ADVANCED

**DANGER SIGNS**  
Breathing  $>60$   
Chest indrawing  
Temp  $<35.5^\circ C$  or  $>38^\circ C$   
Not feeding  
No movement  
Convulsions

Weight  $<1500g$   
Severe malformation  
Birth injury

Severe jaundice

Poor weight gain



Give antibiotics



Stabilize for referral as needed

Prevent infection

Provide respectful care

Record and use data

$>2000g$  and normal temperature

Danger signs

Not improved

Danger signs

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**Assess**

- Temperature
- Weight
- Exam

*“Is my baby cold?”*

*“How much does my baby weigh?”*

*“Tell me what you are doing.”*

**Prevent disease**

- Eye care
- Cord care
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*“What are you doing? Why?”*

**Classify as Routine care**

*“What happens with my baby now?”*

**Document the findings of assessment, treatments, and classification.**

*Is my baby ok?”*

### Discuss together

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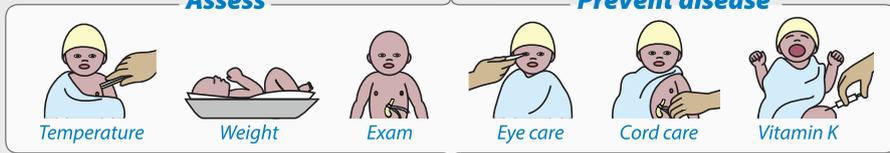
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Prevent infection

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Immunize

## CASE 2: Routine care

As the mother (or helper), read out loud to the provider:  
“At 2 hours of age a baby with a birth weight of 2900 grams is transferred to the postnatal ward. The baby fed well at birth, had a temperature of 36.7 °C while skin-to-skin. Show how you will provide routine care and communicate with the mother.”

**Provider** Demonstrate action steps and communicate

**Mother (or helper)** If action is not done, use the prompts to provide hint

- Maintain normal temperature**
- Support breastfeeding**
- Advise about breastfeeding problems**

“My baby is getting cold”  
“My baby is opening her mouth”  
“My baby will not attach to the breast.”

“The baby is now 24 hours old and mother is ready to go home. Show what you will do and communicate.”

- Reassess for discharge**
  - Temperature
  - Exam
  - Adequacy of feeding
- Immunize**
  - According to local guidelines
- Advise about home care**
  - Use Parent Guide
- Complete the newborn record**

“Is my baby ready to go home?”  
“Does my baby need immunizations now?”  
“I am not sure what to do at home”

### Discuss together

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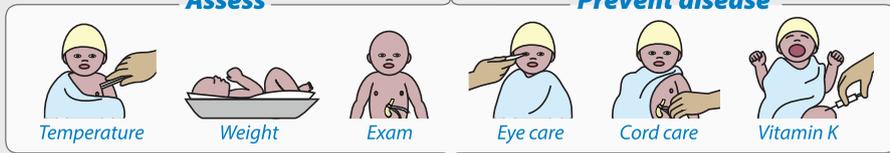
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Treat risk of infection

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Prevent infection

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Record and use data

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Danger signs

Not improved

Danger signs

## CASE 3: Intermediate care

As the mother (or helper), read out loud to the provider:  
**“At 90 minutes of age, a baby with a birth weight of 1900 grams has a temperature of 36.9 °C . The baby can swallow but cannot attach to the breast. Show how you will provide intermediate care and communicate.”**

**Provider** Demonstrate action steps and communicate

**Mother (or helper)** If action is not done, use the prompts to provide hint

- Classify INTERMEDIATE CARE*  
*Weight 1500 – <2500g, Temp <36.5 °C*  
*Feeding difficulty. Risk of infection*
- Maintain skin-to-skin**
- Support breastfeeding**
- Treat risk of infection**
- Reassess**
- Express breast milk**
- Feed with cup**

*“Is my baby cold?”*

*“My baby will not attach to the breast.”*

*“Does my baby need any special treatment?”*

*“How can my baby get milk?”*

**During the night, the baby feels cold to touch. The temperature is 35.7 °C . Show how you will provide care and communicate.”**

- Recognize low temperature*
- Improve thermal care**
  - *Cover baby’s head*
  - *Make sure baby is skin to skin*
  - *Cover mother and baby with extra blanket*
  - *Make sure room is warm*
  - *Prolong skin-to-skin care*
- Reassess temperature**

*“My baby feels cold.”*

*“How can I keep my baby warm?”*

### Discuss together

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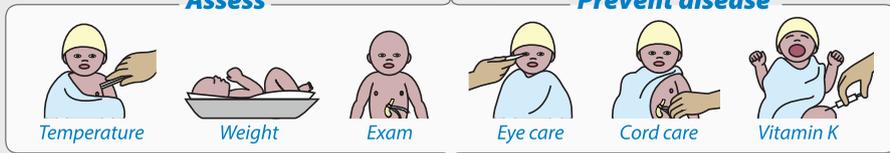
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## CASE 4: Transition to home after intermediate care

As the mother (or helper), read out loud to the provider:

**“A baby born at 1600 grams is now 3 weeks old.  
He received nasogastric feeds and required continuous skin-to-skin care.  
He now weighs 1850 grams and is breastfeeding well.  
Show how you will assess the baby and mother to determine if baby is  
ready for discharge and advise about home care.”**

**Provider** Demonstrate action steps and communicate

**Mother (or helper)** If action is not done, use the prompts to provide hint

**Reassess**

*Recognize Improved*

- *Baby is breathing normally (no chest indrawing, respiratory rate < 60/min, no apnea)*
- *Temperature is stable (36.5 – 37.5 °C) wrapped in two blankets*
- *Weight gain is adequate over the last week*
- *Mother has established successful breastfeeding*
- *Mother has demonstrated confidence in caring for the baby*

*“How is my baby?”*

*“Is his temperature OK?”*

*“Is my baby growing?”*

*“How do I know he is getting enough milk?”*

**Baby is ready for discharge. Advise about home care.**

**Prepare for discharge**

**Immunize**

**Advise about home care**

- *Encourage handwashing and keeping surroundings clean*
- *Discuss how to keep a baby warm*
- *Encourage exclusive breastfeeding*
- *Review how to assess the baby for changes, recognize and respond to Danger Signs*
- *Discusses how to prevent infection*
- *Schedule and document appropriate follow-up (postnatal) visits*

*“What do I do at home?”*

**Advice about home care**

- *Communicate with care providers in the community*

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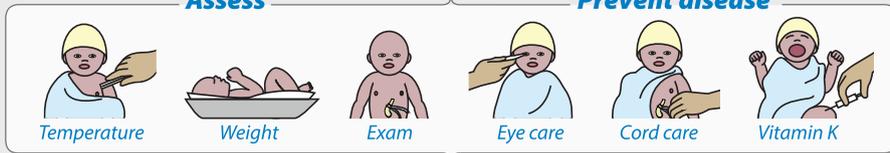
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Stabilize for referral as needed

Prevent infection

Provide respectful care

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Low weight

## CASE 5: Advanced care

As the mother (or helper), read out loud to the provider:  
**“A baby born at 1900 grams has fast breathing in the first hours after birth. The baby develops chest indrawing and at 4 hours is breathing 100 breaths/minute, grunting, and has not latched or breast fed.”**

**Provider** Demonstrate action steps and communicate

**Mother (or helper)** If action is not done, use the prompts to provide hint

- Recognize Danger Signs (fast breathing, chest indrawing, grunting, difficulty feeding)*
- Gives antibiotics**  
- Correct type, dosage and route
- Stabilize for referral as needed**

*“What is wrong with my baby?”*

*“What can you do to help my baby?”*

**A baby born at 35 weeks gestation breathes well at birth and latches at breast in the first hour. The baby remains with mother skin-to-skin. At 18 hours of age, the baby is jaundiced to her palms and soles.**

- Recognize severe jaundice*

*“What is wrong with my baby?”*

- Stabilize for referral as needed**

*“What can you do to help my baby?”*

### Discuss together

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- prevent infection?

- record and use data?