# 4. IF BABY STOPS SUCKING BREAST

Mother has to find out the cause such as

1. Engorged breast



- 2. choking of the baby due to rapid milk flow from the breast.
- 3. Baby used to bottle
- 4. Blocked nose
- 5. Mouth infection (oral thrust)
- 6. Dull and seriously ill child

Consult a doctor for any of the above problems.

# **5. BABY NOT GAINING WEIGHT**

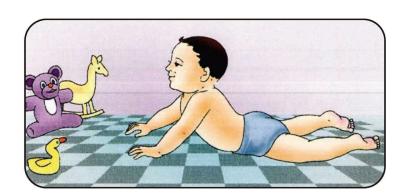
Be concerned if the child does not gain 1/2 kg everymonth in the first 6 months. Poor gain in weight may be due to

- I. Not sucking because of weakness or sickness
- 2. Less breast milk
- 3. Wrong preparation of milk formula. Wrong way of giving milk.
- 4. Feeding problems
- 5. Birth injury

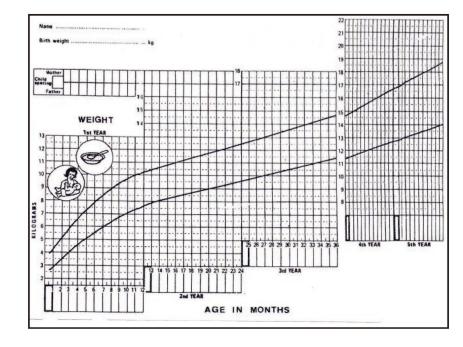
Mother should see a doctor immediately if he is not growing well.

## **6. RECOGNISING HEALTHY CHILD**

Playful and active



- 2. Arm circumference 14cm. at 1 year.
- 3. Pink lips and conjunctive
- 4. No disease signs
- 5. Complete immunization
- 6. Normal development
- 7. Rising growth curve.



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## I. CARE OF THE NEW BORN CHILD

Birth of a new born baby is gift nature to parents.

Baby needs adequate care and warmth to ensure good growth and development.

Parent is the best nurse to provide care to newborn



- I. Warmth-Baby should be kept warm at birth and subsequently.
- 2. Baby after birth should be thoroughly wiped and wrapped in a dry towel or neat sheet.

- 3. Baby to be kept with mother to promote bonding between mother and child.
- 4. Umbilical stump to be kept dry, Cord dries up and falls off by 5 to 10 days.
- 5. Any redness, bleeding or pus from the umbilical stump needs consultation from doctor.
- 6. The mucus, blood fragments and secretion on the skin of baby is to be wiped dry.
- 7. Baby to be sponged daily from the next day after birth with special attention to axilla, neck and groin.
- 8. The diaper area should be cleaned well with soap and water.
- 9. A soft unmedicated soap should be used.
- 10. Care of Eyes Eyes of newborn should be cleaned with the sterile cotton swab.
- 11. Avoid using synthetic material clothing for the baby.
- 12. Kazal application is to be discouraged as it can cause eye infection.

13. Parents are advised no to put oil into the ears, nose and umbilicus.

#### 2. CARE OF A VERY SMALL BABY

# Babies below 2 kg. need special care:

- I. Do not bathe a very small baby. Wipe him clean. Encourage side-lying position. Move the baby as little as possible.
- 2. Keep the baby warm with mother's body contact or a bottle of warm water wrapped in a cloth.
- 3. Wash hands with soap and water every time before handling the baby.



4. If the baby is not sucking well at the breast, expressed breast milk can be fed with a dropper or a spoon.



If the baby does not cry well, suck or swallow the milk, looks blue or pale, or limp consult a doctor.

#### 3. DO NOT GET ANXIOUS

If in first 2 weeks the baby has

- Vaginal bleeding
- 2. Sticky vaginal discharge
- 3. Breast engorgement
- 4. Birth marks on the skin

Do not treat the baby on your own. If needed, consult a doctor.