

### ALCOHOL WHILE BREASTFEEDING

https://llli.org/breastfeeding-info/alcohol/

#### **ALLERGENS**

Early Introduction:

https://foodallergycanada.ca/living-with-allergies/ongoing-allergy-management/parents-and-caregivers/early-introduction/

https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/healthy-eating-physical-activity/age-and-stage/infants-children-and-youth/reducing-risk-food

https://www.freetofeed.com/

### ANTENATAL COLOSTRUM EXPRESSION

https://laleche.org.uk/antenatal-expression-of-colostrum/

Any sterile 1 ml syringe with a cap can be used for collection (local pharmacy or online)

https://www.moremilksooner.com/

Power of the first hour video: <a href="https://www.voutube.com/watch?v=veZdxPoI3sY">https://www.voutube.com/watch?v=veZdxPoI3sY</a>

https://firstdroplets.com/

## BACK TO THE BREAST AND MORE ACTIVE BREASTFEEDING

https://www.laleche.org.uk/my-baby-wont-breastfeed/

https://laleche.org.uk/getting-breastfeeding-on-track-after-a-difficult-start-the-3-keeps/

https://kellymom.com/ages/newborn/nb-challenges/back-to-breast/

**Drip Drop Feeding** 

https://www.lllsa.org/drip-drop-feeding

#### **BITING**

https://laleche.org.uk/help-baby-bit/

https://www.lllc.ca/biting-and-teething-and-breastfed-baby

## **BLEBS**

https://physicianguidetobreastfeeding.org/mythbusters/blebs-mythbusters/

# **BOTTLE REFUSAL**

https://llli.org/breastfeeding-info/introducing-a-bottle-to-a-breastfed-baby/

https://laleche.org.uk/bottles-and-other-tools/

https://www.instagram.com/rachelobrienibclc/

From a lactation perspective, the narrow and long bottle nipples are preferred (like Dr. Brown's).

### **BOTTLE TO CUP FEEDING**

https://www.llli.org/wp-content/uploads/colour-final-6-4-20-pdf-1-reduced.pdf

### **BREAST COMPRESSIONS**

https://www.lllc.ca/breast-compressions-and-switch-nursing https://breastfeeding.support/what-is-breast-compression/ https://ibconline.ca/information-sheets/breast-compression/

### **BREAST MASSAGE**

https://www.mayabolman.com/videos/v/basicsofbreastmassage

#### **BREAST PREFERENCE**

https://kellymom.com/bf/got-milk/lopsided/

### **BREASTFEEDING POSITIONS**

https://llli.org/breastfeeding-info/positioning/

### **BREAST REDUCTION AND BREASTFEEDING**

https://www.bfar.org/reduction.shtml

## BREASTFEEDING AND DESIRE FOR SEXUAL INTIMACY

https://www.thebump.com/a/breastfeeding-interfering-with-sex-life

### CANNABIS AND BREASTFEEDING

https://www.lllc.ca/cannabis

### **CARRIERS**

https://www.lllc.ca/babywearing

For Leaders: https://www.lllc.ca/sites/default/files/Babywearing%20Demonstrations.pdf

### CHILD DEVELOPMENT

Dr. Deborah MacNamara – Author of Rest Play Grow: <a href="https://macnamara.ca/">https://macnamara.ca/</a>

### **CONGESTION**

https://www.utentclinic.com/news/how-to-treat-a-stuffy-nose-in-babies-and-toddlers

#### CONTRACEPTION

https://www.llli.org/breastfeeding-info/birth-control/

### CUSTODY ISSUES CO-PARENTING AND BREASTFEEDING

https://www.lllc.ca/custody-issues

https://laleche.org.uk/breastfeeding-contact-cases/

https://lllusa.org/visitation/

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# **DISTRACTED BABIES**

https://www.lllc.ca/breastfeeding-distracted-baby https://laleche.org.uk/what-happens-at-four-months/



#### **DOMPERIDONE**

https://ibconline.ca/information-sheets/domperidone/

Thyroid Patients: https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/4094840/#article-details

### DYSPHORIC MILK EJECTION REFLEX (D-MER)

https://www.lllc.ca/dmer

#### **ELIMINATION COMMUNICATION**

https://godiaperfree.com/elimination-communication/

## **ENGORGEMENT - REVERSE PRESSURE SOFTENING**

Recommend gel ice packs kept in the fridge rather the freezer to use for engorged breasts

Breast Engorgement: https://www.lllc.ca/breast-engorgement Lymphatic Drainage: https://www.instagram.com/doc.talks.detox/

https://kellymom.com/bf/concerns/mother/rev\_pressure\_soft\_cotterman/

https://physicianguidetobreastfeeding.org/category/treatments/lymphatic-drainage/

## **EXCLUSIVELY EXPRESSING BREASTMILK FOR YOUR BABY**

https://laleche.org.uk/exclusively-expressing-breastmilk-for-your-baby/

# **FEEDING CUES**

https://www.breastfeedingcenter.org/blog/2022/1/18/infant-feeding-cues-and-their-importance

#### FERTILITY TREATMENT AND BREASTFEEDING

https://bfduringivf.weebly.com/

## FINGER FEEDING

https://breastfeeding.support/what-is-finger-feeding/

## **FLANGE SIZE**

Flange size matters. A Comparative Pilot Study of the Flange FITSTM Guide Versus Traditional Sizing Methods

https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/08903344241296036

https://www.babiesincommon.com/flange-fits-guide

Printable Flange Size Measuring Tool (Free): <a href="https://lactationhub.com/digital-downloads/">https://lactationhub.com/digital-downloads/</a>

Pumpin' Pals Flanges: https://pumpinpal.com/

Flange Inserts: <a href="https://www.maymom.com/eshop/index.php?main\_page=index&cPath=1">https://www.maymom.com/eshop/index.php?main\_page=index&cPath=1</a> 16

Pump Fit: https://www.nancymohrbacher.com/articles/2020/4/12/pump-fit-matters

## FOREMILK/HINDMILK INFORMATION

https://llli.org/breastfeeding-info/foremilk-and-hindmilk/

### **FUSSY BABIES**

https://laleche.org.uk/fussy-evenings-with-a-newborn/

https://laleche.org.uk/unhappy-baby/



#### **GALACTAGOGUES**

https://www.lllc.ca/galactagogues

https://www.lowmilksupply.org/galactogogues

Galactogogues to help milk production during menstrual cycle:

https://kellymom.com/bf/can-i-breastfeed/herbs/natural-treatments/#calcium

Also see DOMPERIDONE

#### **GROWTH SPURTS**

https://www.lllc.ca/growth-spurts

### HAND EXPRESSION

https://med.stanford.edu/newborns/professional-education/breastfeeding/hand-expressing-milk.html https://laleche.org.uk/hand-expression-of-breastmilk/

## HEALTH PROFESSIONAL AND STUDENT ATTENDANCE AT LLLC SERIES MEETINGS

https://www.lllc.ca/form/registration-to-attend-an-lllc-m

# HEALTHY PARENTS HEALTHY CHILDREN - MyHealth. Alberta.ca Network

Website: <a href="https://www.healthyparentshealthychildren.ca/">https://www.healthyparentshealthychildren.ca/</a>

Book – Pregnancy & Birth:

https://www.healthyparentshealthychildren.ca/app/uploads/2023/02/2023-Pregnancy-and-Birth third-reprint

<u>February-FINAL.pdf</u> Book – The Early Years:

https://www.healthyparentshealthychildren.ca/app/uploads/2023/02/2023-The-Early-Years third-reprint Feb

ruary-FINAL.pdf

## HORMONES AND BREASTFEEDING

https://www.lllc.ca/sex-hormones-and-breastfeeding

## **HUMAN MILK BANKING AND MILK SHARING**

https://www.lllc.ca/human-milk-banking-and-milk-sharing

https://llli.org/breastfeeding-info/milk-donation/#Family

https://laleche.org.uk/sharing-breastmilk/

https://www.northernstarmilkbank.ca/

Human Milk for Human Babies: https://www.facebook.com/hm4hb/

Eats on Feets: <a href="https://eatsonfeets.org/">https://eatsonfeets.org/</a>

### **IBCLC**

How to become an IBCLC: https://www.clca-accl.ca/How-to-become-an-IBCLC

Online training course:

https://www.lactationacademv.com/bundles/95-hour-online-lactation-consultant-training-course#see-more

### **INVERTED NIPPLES**

https://laleche.org.uk/inverted-nipples/

#### IMPLANTS AND BREASTFEEDING

https://www.bfar.org/augmentation.shtml



#### IRON AND BREASTFEEDING

https://www.lllc.ca/iron-and-breastfeeding

#### **JAUNDICE**

https://www.lllc.ca/jaundice-and-breastfeeding

### LARGE BREASTS AND POSITIONING

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=584nv1oNxvw

https://breastfeeding.support/breastfeeding-with-large-breasts/

https://www.breastfeeding.asn.au/resources/large-breasts

### LATCH AND POSITIONING

Natural Breastfeeding for an easier start: <a href="https://www.naturalbreastfeeding.com/">https://www.naturalbreastfeeding.com/</a>

https://globalhealthmedia.org/videos/attaching-your-baby-at-the-breast/

https://www.lllc.ca/sites/default/files/Positioning%20and%20latching\_1.pdf

#### LATE PRE-TERM BABIES

https://www.laleche.org.uk/feeding-late-preterm-babies/

#### LIPASE

https://llli.org/breastfeeding-info/milk-issues/

### LLL TEAR-SHEET TOOLKIT (From the WAB)

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1tst8DBZrNWGHUr7ycsvEKbhiIHEUUKVB/view

#### LLLC LEADERSHIP

https://www.lllc.ca/resources/become-leader

### LLLC ONLINE FREE LIBRARY

https://www.lllc.ca/form/registration-for-lllc-library

### LYMPHATIC DRAINAGE

https://www.instagram.com/doc.talks.detox/

https://physicianguidetobreastfeeding.org/category/treatments/lymphatic-drainage/

https://eadn-wc01-5994650.nxedge.io/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/Lymphaticmassagehandout2.pptx.pdf

#### MASSAGE

https://www.covidphysicaltherapy.org/videos/pelvic-ilu-self-massage

https://www.womenscollegehospital.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/ILU\_AbdominalMassgae.pdf

#### **MASTITIS**

https://www.lllc.ca/mastitis-matter-inflammation-0

https://lllusa.org/mastitis/

https://www.pumpstation.com/blogs/articles/plugged-ducts-and-mastitis

https://www.lllc.ca/mastitis-matter-inflammation

https://laleche.org.uk/mastitis/

https://ibconline.ca/information-sheets/blocked-ducts-mastitis/



BAIT - Breast Rest, Advil, Ice, Tylenol:

https://eadn-wc01-5994650.nxedge.io/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/Screen-Shot-2023-02-21-at-1.48.39-PM.png

Raw Potatoes:

https://ibconline.ca/information-sheets/blocked-ducts-mastitis/#:~:text=Cut%206%20to%208%20washed,new %20slices%20from%20the%20bowl.

The Academy of Breastfeeding Medicine (ABM) protocol on mastitis spectrum:

https://www.bfmed.org/assets/ABM%20Protocol%20%2336.pdf

For mothers to read or share with doctors who are not aware of the new guidelines.

### MATERNAL METABOLISM AND LACTATION

https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC3006166/

#### MEDICATIONS AND BREASTFEEDING

Best reference for parents: <a href="https://www.e-lactancia.org/">https://www.e-lactancia.org/</a>

LactMed online: https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK501922/

https://www.infantrisk.com/content/cough-cold-medications-while-breastfeeding

Note: LLLC has a subscription to Thomas Hale, but the L categories are not recognized by anyone but him and don't take into account the age of the baby, its health status, the mother's health status etc. so it is not as good a resource as Lactancia and LactMed.

### MENSTRUATION AND BREASTFEEDING

https://www.lllc.ca/menstruation-and-ovulation-impact-milk-production

https://llli.org/breastfeeding-info/menstruation/

#### MILK BANKING AND SHARING

See: HUMAN MILK BANKING AND MILK SHARING

### MILK ISSUES (Spoiled or Unique Taste?)

https://llli.org/breastfeeding-info/milk-issues/

### MILK SUPPLY AND PRODUCTION

Making more milk: <a href="https://www.lowmilksupply.org/">https://www.lowmilksupply.org/</a> A link to information about increasing milk supply:

https://www.laleche.org.uk/how-to-increase-your-milk-supply/

Is my baby getting enough milk:

https://www.lllc.ca/how-know-your-baby-getting-enough-milk Low Milk Production: https://www.lllc.ca/low-milk-production

Oversupply and Forceful Letdown: <a href="https://www.lllc.ca/oversupply-and-forceful-letdown">https://www.lllc.ca/oversupply-and-forceful-letdown</a>

https://www.laleche.org.uk/too-much-milk-and-oversupply/

Always remember to use gravity in your favour and, if possible, once the baby is latched on properly, lean slightly back. Be very careful not to lean forward when you are nursing, because then gravity will speed up the milk flow. Also nursing more frequently for shorter times can sometimes slow the milk flow down a bit.

#### **MOTHER ILLNESS**

https://laleche.org.uk/when-a-mother-is-ill/

Supporting Breastfeeding and Lactation in Surgical Patients: https://www.cmaj.ca/content/195/25/E879



#### NAUSEA WHILE BREASTFEEDING

https://kellymom.com/bf/concerns/mother/nausea-bf/ https://lactationhelp.ca/blog/f/nausea-while-breastfeeding

#### **NEWBORN STOMACH CAPACITY**

https://www.lllc.ca/newborns-have-small-stomachs

#### NIPPLE CONFUSION

https://www.llli.org/breastfeeding-info/nipple-confusion/

## NIPPLE HEALING

https://kellymom.com/bf/concerns/mother/nipplehealing/

## NIPPLE PAIN WHILE BREASTFEEDING OR PUMPING

https://www.voutube.com/watch?v=-hhCz65lhP4

https://www.lllc.ca/nipple-pain

### NIPPLE PIERCINGS

https://www.lllc.ca/nipple-piercing-and-breastfeeding https://llli.org/breastfeeding-info/nipple-piercings/

### **NIPPLE SHIELDS**

https://laleche.org.uk/nipple-shields/ https://www.lllc.ca/nipple-shields

#### **NURSING STRIKES**

https://laleche.org.uk/nursing-strikes/ https://www.lllc.ca/nursing-strikes

https://laleche.org.uk/what-happens-at-four-months/

#### **NURSING MANNERS**

https://lllusa.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Nursing-Manners-2.pdf

## **NURSING SUPPLEMENTERS**

https://www.laleche.org.uk/nursing-supplementers/ https://ibconline.ca/information-sheets/lactation-aid/

https://haakaausa.com/products/silicone-feeding-tube-set?variant=33748597375112

# PACED BOTTLE FEEDING

The Milk Mob Video: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wuml310yc8k&t=1s">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wuml310yc8k&t=1s</a>

Paced bottle feeding to show the mouth gape reflex: <a href="https://www.voutube.com/watch?v=TuZXD1hlW80">https://www.voutube.com/watch?v=TuZXD1hlW80</a>

Written information: https://nurturedchild.ca/index.php/2010/12/10/baby-led-bottle-feeding/

Peel Region: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iKSSi5pi57l&t=2s">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iKSSi5pi57l&t=2s</a>

# PHYSIOLOGY OF BREASTFEEDING

https://www.clinicalanatomy.ca/thorax/LactationPhysiology/story.html



#### PREGNANCY AND CONTINUED BREASTFEEDING

https://laleche.org.uk/pregnant-and-breastfeeding/ https://www.lllc.ca/breastfeeding-through-pregnancy

#### PUMPING INFORMATION

Hands-on Pumping:

https://med.stanford.edu/newborns/professional-education/breastfeeding/maximizing-milk-production.html

Hands-on Pumping Video and Massage: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kRi-pouuvto

Optimizing Pumping handout:

https://www.villagelactationab.ca/ files/ugd/0dc8e4 b6dd51cd7e6b4d9396d48a629223f6b8.pdf

Pump Fit: https://www.nancymohrbacher.com/articles/2020/4/12/pump-fit-matters

Printable Flange Size Measuring Tool (Free): https://lactationhub.com/digital-downloads/

https://www.breastfeeding.asn.au/resources/let-down-reflex-and-your-milk-flow

If your milk production seems to go down over time or dramatically drops, check to ensure that pump pieces don't need to be replaced.

#### PUMP RENTAL

AHS information on breast pump rentals and the locations where they can be accessed:

https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/findhealth/service.aspx?Id=7808

#### **REFLUX**

https://laleche.org.uk/i-think-babys-got-reflux/ https://llli.org/news/why-infant-reflux-matters/

### SAFETY FOR CHILDREN

https://childsafetvlink.ca/

### **SEPARATION**

https://laleche.org.uk/?s=if+vou+leave+vour+baby

### "SLACKER" BREAST

https://kellymom.com/bf/got-milk/lopsided/ https://www.lllc.ca/breastfeeding-one-side-only

#### **SLEEP**

https://llli.org/resources/sweet-sleep/

Presentation by Teresa Pitman on Sweet Sleep: https://www.lllc.ca/sweet-sleep-teresa-pitman

Baby Sleep Information Source: <a href="https://www.basisonline.org.uk/">https://www.basisonline.org.uk/</a>

LLLI Safe Sleep Infographic: https://llli.org/wp-content/uploads/Safe-Sleep-7-infographic.pdf

LLLI Safe Sleep Seven: https://llli.org/news/the-safe-sleep-seven/

https://laleche.org.uk/breastfeeding-at-night/

https://llli.org/breastfeeding-info/sleep-bedshare/

https://www.lllc.ca/sleep

Should I night Wean? <a href="https://lllusa.org/should-i-night-wean/">https://lllusa.org/should-i-night-wean/</a>

Dr. Lyndsey Hookway: <a href="https://www.instagram.com/lyndsey-hookway/?hl=en">https://www.instagram.com/lyndsey-hookway/?hl=en</a>

https://lactationnetwork.com/blog/sleep-training-and-breastfeeding



#### **SOLIDS**

Starting Solids and Baby-led Weaning: https://www.lllc.ca/starting-solids-baby-led-weaning

https://laleche.org.uk/starting-solid-food

https://resources.beststart.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/D12-E.pdf

https://www.healthyparentshealthychildren.ca/im-a-parent/older-babies-6-12-months/feeding-starting-solid-f oods

https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/assets/info/nutrition/if-nfs-starting-solid-foods-around-6-months.pdf

https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/assets/info/nutrition/if-nfs-feeding-guide-starting-solid-foods.pdf

https://kidseatincolor.com/baby-nutrition-feeding-0-12-months-old/

Feeding Challenges:

https://llli.org/news/why-infant-reflux-matters/

Instagram: happyhealthyeaters

Feeding Therapy: https://letseatab.ca/

My Child Won't Eat https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/19283489-my-child-won-t-eat

https://solidstarts.com/baby-led-weaning/

#### **SORE NIPPLES**

Nipple Pain, Why are my nipples sore? <a href="https://www.lllc.ca/nipple-pain">https://www.lllc.ca/nipple-pain</a>

See THRUSH below

#### STORING BREASTMILK

Guidelines: https://www.lllc.ca/sites/default/files/471-Storing Human Milk CMYK.pdf

Feeding Expressed Breastmilk:

https://www.healthyparentshealthychildren.ca/im-a-parent/feeding-your-baby/expressed-breastmilk#storing-

and-preparing-expressed-breastmilk

## SUPPLEMENTARY NURSING SYSTEM

See Nursing Supplementers

### SUPPLEMENTING FIRST THEN BREASTFEEDING

https://www.bfar.org/FINISHATTHEBREAST.pdf

### TEETHING RASH

https://laleche.org.uk/breastfeeding-and-teething/

## **THRUSH**

### https://www.lllc.ca/sites/default/files/461 Thrush CMYK 2016 FINAL.pdf

Mentioned on page three of the LLLC Thrush handout, a vinegar (apple cider vinegar is slightly better) and water solution (one tablespoon vinegar to one cup water) is an easy and effective treatment for nipples. Apply to the nipples and areolae with a clean cotton ball after each feeding. Allow the nipples to air dry. This should not make the pain worse. If it does, discontinue. If it does help, wipe after every feed for two weeks after your nipple is healed. This solution changes the pH of the skin and wipes away the milk/food source. The key to any thrush treatment is to continue for two weeks after all visible signs of thrush are gone.

# THUMB SUCKING AND PACIFIER USE

https://myhealth.alberta.ca/health/pages/conditions.aspx?Hwid=ta1927



#### **TODDLERS**

https://www.lllc.ca/toddlerhood-and-beyond

https://laleche.org.uk/still-nursing/

Book - Mothering Your Nursing Toddler

#### **TONGUE TIE**

https://www.edmontonbreastfeeding.com/tongue-tie/

https://www.drchelseapinto.com/infant-tongue-tie-resources/

http://www.tongue-tie-education.com/uploads/2/9/9/0/2990748/atte\_fastfacts\_2014.pdf

What if the revision didn't help? https://drive.google.com/file/d/1D3ALAn0PVRacip37fvFJNV3zX6JVqJqx/view Post-Frenectomy Wound Care and Oral Exercises: https://www.drchelseapinto.com/baby-instructional-videos/

### **TRAVEL**

Flying with a Breastfed Baby: https://www.lllc.ca/flying-breastfed-baby

#### TRIPLE FEEDING

https://www.lllc.ca/triple-feeding

https://themilkmeg.com/breastfeed-pump-top-up-tips-for-triple-feeding-and-how-to-eventually-stop/

### **TUMMY TIME METHOD**

https://www.tummytimemethod.com/

TWINS (Note: Kathryn Stagg's book is in the free LLLC online library) https://kathrynstaggibclc.com/breastfeeding-twins-and-triplets/

https://breastfeedingtwinsandtriplets.co.uk/

https://www.lllc.ca/sites/default/files/462 CMYK 2015 FINAL.pdf

### VASOSPASMS

https://ibconline.ca/information-sheets/vasospasm/

#### **VIDEOS**

https://globalhealthmedia.org/language/english/? sft topic=breastfeeding

Check out the "Really Good Drinking" and "Good Drinking" versus the "Nibbling" videos:

https://ibconline.ca/breastfeeding-videos-english/

Ukrainian Subtitles: https://globalhealthmedia.org/language/ukrainian/

https://ibconline.ca/breastfeeding-videos-english/

#### WEANING

https://www.lllc.ca/weaning-how-and-when-it-happens

https://www.llli.org/breastfeeding-info/weaning-how-to/

https://laleche.org.uk/thinking-of-weaning/

https://laleche.org.uk/after-weaning-what-next/

https://lllusa.org/should-i-night-wean/

Books: Milkies in the morning, Sally weans from night nursing

#### WEANING FROM SUPPLEMENTS

https://laleche.org.uk/weaning-from-supplements/



#### WEIGHT GAIN

https://laleche.org.uk/is-my-baby-getting-enough-milk/

https://www.lllc.ca/growth-breastfed-baby https://llli.org/breastfeeding-info/growth/

https://www.who.int/tools/child-growth-standards/standards/weight-for-age

https://www.healthyparentshealthychildren.ca/im-a-parent/newborn-birth-2-months/feeding-your-newborn#weight-gain

Slow Weight Gain: <a href="https://www.rch.org.au/clinicalguide/guideline-index/Slow-weight-gain/">https://www.rch.org.au/clinicalguide/guideline-index/Slow-weight-gain/</a>

LLL USA Growth of Breastfed babies - https://lllusa.org/growth-of-breastfed-babies/

Who Growth Charts:

https://www.who.int/tools/child-growth-standards/standards/weight-for-age

http://www.bcchildrens.ca/health-professionals/clinical-resources/endocrinology-diabetes/tools-calculators

### WONDER WEEKS (INFANT DEVELOPMENT)

http://www.thewonderweeks.com

### YOGA FOR BABIES

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JgkZhGNSn8Q

NEWBORN TIMELINE (LLLC Leader Linda Crawford's wonderful description of the first week postpartum)

The **First night** and day everyone is sleepy.

The **Second day** often feels pretty good.

The **Second night** NO ONE SLEEPS! - the baby is often fussy at the breast as they are "putting in their order" for the milk factory to ramp up and start making more milk.

The **Third day** is a hard one after no sleep. Everyone is crying (and adapting to the huge change that has just happened).

Advice for partners on **days three and four** - just agree with everything mom says.

The **Fifth day** is usually the turning point where things start getting a bit better.

Some more helpful thoughts:

- Set up a village of support before your baby is born
- Decide with your partner on a code word to let them know you are topping out and need help now
- Wear a sweater or other outfit that unbuttons at the front skin to skin is so important in the first couple of days (partners too as long as the baby is getting a lot of time at the breast).
- When everyone is melting down remember touch and hold!

