# SAFE MOTHER HOOD

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#### What is safe motherhood?

- It is a global effort to reduce illnesses and deaths among women and children specially in developing countries
- It was launched in 1987 and aimed to improve maternal health and cut maternal deaths to half by 2000

# Safe Motherhood

#### Definition:

Safe motherhood is one of the important components of Reproductive Health. It means ensuring that all women receive the care they need, to be safe and healthy throughout pregnancy and childbirth. It is the ability of a mother to have safe & healthy pregnancy & child birth.

# SAFE MOTHERHOOD

#### OBJECTIVE

Improve quality and increase access to family planning and maternal health care services

Educate couples to ensure they have the best chance for a wanted and safe pregnancy

# AIMS

- To improve wellbeing of mothers through a comprehensive approach of providing, preventing, promotive, curative and rehabilitative health care
- Improve quality and increased access to family planning and maternal health services
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#### Six Pillars of Safe Motherhood



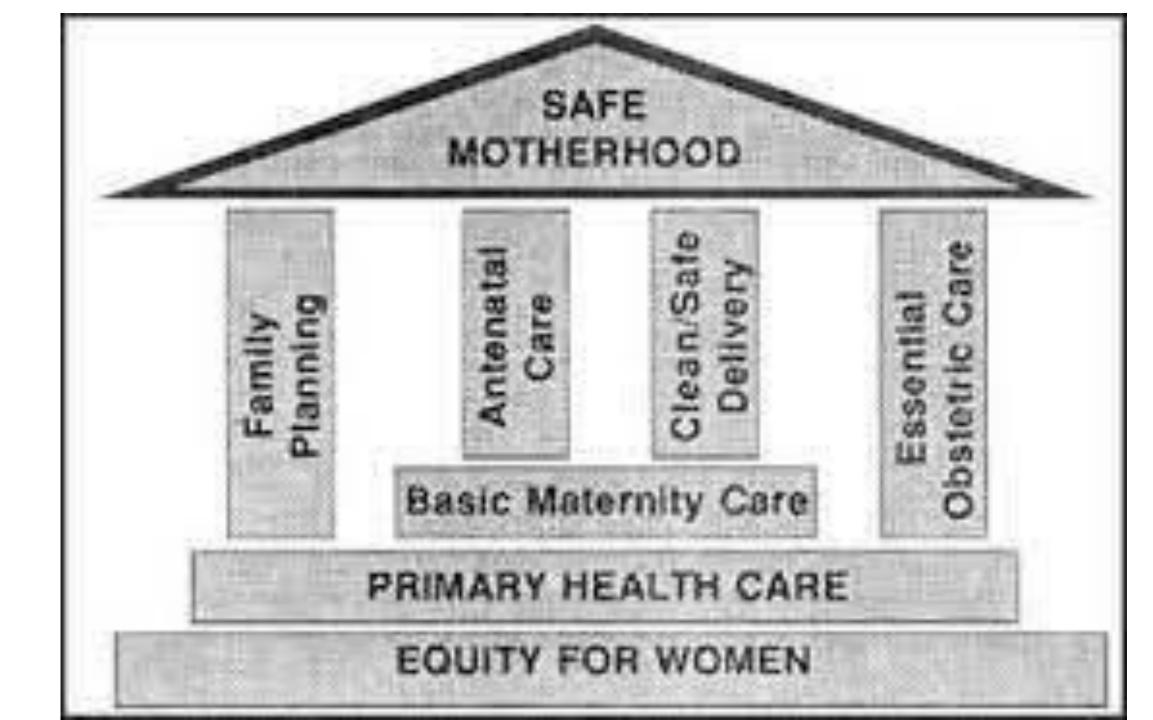
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## WHO Pillars of Safe Motherhood

Pillar #1 ANC
Pillar #2 Clean, safe delivery
Pillar #3 Emergency Obstet. Care
Pillar #4 Family Planning



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#### ANTENATAL CARE

• Systemic supervision [examination and advice] provided to a woman during pregnancy/antenatal period .

# AIMS

1. To screen the high risk cases

2. To prevent or detect and treat the earliest of any complication.

3.to ensure continued risk assessment and provide ongoing primary preventive health care.

- 4. to educate the mother about physiology of pregnancy and labour
- 5. to discuss the couple about date. Time and place of delivery
- 6. to motivate the couple about need of family planning

#### objectives

#### To ensure a normal pregnancy and delivery of a healthy baby from a healthy mother

## Antenatal care comprises

- Registration of pregnancy
- History taking
- Antenatal examination general / obstetric
- Laboratory investigations/treatments
- Health education

### Antenatal visits schedule

#### **IDEALLY**

First 28 weeks- once a month Upto 26 weeks – twice a month There after weekly till delivery MINIMUM – 4antenatal visits 1<sup>st</sup> visit around 16 weeks 2<sup>nd</sup> visit between 24 and 28 weeks 3<sup>rd</sup> visit at 32 weeks 4<sup>th</sup> visit at 36 week

## first visit should be

- As early in pregnancy as possible
- Concluded of
- 1. history taking
- 2. Examination
- 3. investigation

# **Components of first visit**

- Detailed history
- Physical examination
- Investigations Hemoglobin
  - Blood group & Rh typing Serological tests for HIV, Hepatitis B, Rubella & Syphilis
  - Urine analysis
  - Pap smear ( If facilities are available) Ultrasound
- Folic acid / Iron and calcium supplementation

### First visit

- Check for
- 1. Pallor
- 2. Pulse
- 3. BP
- 4. Respiratory rate
- 5. Edema
- 6. W:t gain
- 7. Breast examination

## SECOND VISIT [24-28 weeks]

- Fetal heart sound measurement
- Detect for multiple pregnancy

# THIRD VISIT [32 weeks]

- Screen for
- 1. preeclampsia
- 2. Anemia
- 3. IUGR
- 4. Multiple pregnancy

# FOURTH VISIT [36 weeks]

- Identification of
- 1. fetal lie
- 2. Presentation
- 3. Position
- 4. Birth plan

#### SUPPLEMENTARY MEDICATIONS

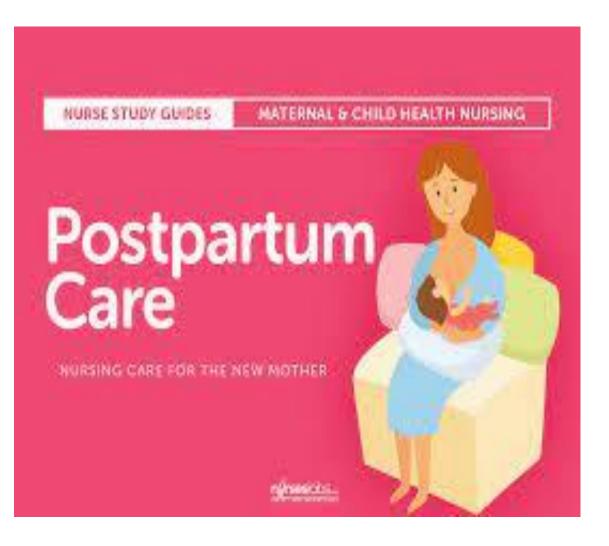
- Supplementary iron is indicated for all pregnant women 20 weeks onwards
- Calcium supplements after first trimester
- Proper diet
- Good hygienic condition
- Walk
- No heavy work



ABDOMINAL Measurement of fundal height Fetal heart sounds Fetal movements Fetal parts Multiple pregnancy Fetal lie and presentation Inspection of abdominal scar or any other relevant findings

# POST NATAL CARE

- The post natal care is also called post partum care
- extends from end of labour until genital tract returns to normal
- that is about 42 days



#### POST NATAL CARE

#### **Care of newborn and mother after delivery** It is responsibility of obstetrician and pediatrician which is called as <u>perinatology</u>.

#### **Care of mother – objectives**

- 1. To prevent complications of postpartum period.
- To provide care for rapid restoration of the mother to optimum health.
- 3. To check adequacy of breast feeding.
- 4. To provide family planning services.
- 5. To provide basic health education to mother/ family.

# AIMS

- Support the mother and family
- Prevention , early diagnosis and treatment of complications
- Referral
- Counceling
- Also includes neonatal care
- Encourage breast feeding
- Education on nutrition and supplementation
- Councelling contraception and resumption of sexual life
- Immunization of infant



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#### RATIONALE

- Increase the awareness of warning signals and appropriate interventions at all level
- About 2/3 maternal deaths occur in post natal period

#### **NEEDS OF WOMEN AND NEWBORNS**

- Health care for suspected or occurring complications like PPH/PUERPERAL PYREXIA
- Time to care for newborn especially if bottle feeding
- Help with domestic tasks
- Information about breast feeding

#### **NEEDS OF SPECIAL GROUPS**

Special groups needs special attention these are
Women staying in remote areas
Urban poor
Single mothers
immigrants
Illegal immigrants

## Frequency of post natal care

- Day 1
- Day 2
- Day 3
- Day 4
- Day 6
- Day 10
- Day 20

#### PLACES FOR POST NATAL CARE

- Hospitals
- Maternity homes
- Homes clinics



#### Mother examination in every visit

Examination of vital signs breast abdomen perineum

#### ASSESSMENT OF BABY

- Check for
- Body weight
- Body temperature
- Skin
- Eyes
- Umbilical cord



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