

normal pregnancy:  
 every 4 wks until 28 weeks  
 every 2 wks until 36 weeks  
 every wk until delivered

-high risk may require more frequent visits  
 please remember to document what you do

## FAMILY MEDICINE PRENATAL CARE

PRETERM <37 weeks			TERM 37 +0 to 42+6 weeks				POST		
0	OB Intake (10-12 wks)	Physical (CPE)	15-20 weeks	24-28 weeks	35-36 weeks	40 weeks	41 weeks (prolonged)	42 weeks	43 weeks
Refer as needed to social services, WIC, OB nutrition class, breastfeeding classes (prenatal & postpartum), Childbirth Classes, 1:1 Childbirth Education, mental health services, etc.									
<b>LMP</b> 1st day of last menstrual period is used to determine "due date" *	<b>MA/RN</b> history labs/PPD clinic orientation assessment GCT if hi risk** preg verification financial screen	<b>MD/DO complete exam</b> <input type="checkbox"/> GC/Chlam <input type="checkbox"/> pap smear <input type="checkbox"/> wet prep prn <input type="checkbox"/> check cervix length <input type="checkbox"/> risk assessment <input type="checkbox"/> update problem list <input type="checkbox"/> confirm PCP on EPIC	<input type="checkbox"/> Quad Screen <input type="checkbox"/> dating US prn <input type="checkbox"/> fetal anatomy survey US best at 18-20 wks <input type="checkbox"/> fetoscope heart	<input type="checkbox"/> Glucose Tolerance Challenge Test (GCT) <input type="checkbox"/> hemoglobin <input type="checkbox"/> risk assessment <input type="checkbox"/> Rhogam if Rh negative	pelvic exam <input type="checkbox"/> GC/Chlam <input type="checkbox"/> Group B Strep <input type="checkbox"/> retest RPR/HIV if at high risk <input type="checkbox"/> check cervix <input type="checkbox"/> complete EPIC birthplan	<b>EDC</b> "due date"	*** <input type="checkbox"/> begin weekly AFI <input type="checkbox"/> begin twice weekly NST <input type="checkbox"/> check cervix <input type="checkbox"/> Bishop score <input type="checkbox"/> consider/schedule induction	cont. 41 week studies <input type="checkbox"/> check cervix <input type="checkbox"/> Bishop score <input type="checkbox"/> consider/schedule induction	induction if not delivered
*To use "sure LMP", the missed period must be preceded by 3 regular periods, otherwise order dating ultrasound.			<b>make plans for labor &amp; delivery/newborn care</b> (should be completed in EPIC no later than 36 weeks)			L&D tours		transportation to HCMC	
***prolonged pregnancy (41-42+6 weeks): weekly AFI to rule out oligohydramnios and twice weekly NST's (reactive?) (variables decels can be from oligohydramnios). Induce for oligohydramnios and/or non reassuring NST's.			infant feeding (breast or bottle)  signs & symptoms of preterm labor, ROM & labor  TOLAC/VBAC  child birth ed			car seat  ext/int monitoring  pain control plan  what to bring to hospital		baby's last name  newborn circumcision  contraception plan  postpartum/well child care	

**Quad Screen:** a screening blood test for certain birth defects involving brain, spinal cord, kidneys, abdomen and Down Syndrome/Trisomies. If abnormal, get OBTU ultrasound/genetic counseling.

**Glucose Challenge Test (GCT):** a screening blood test for gestational diabetes. GCT  $\geq$  130 mg/dl is abnormal. Pt needs Glucose Tolerance Test (GTT) to diagnose GDM. See GDM flow diagram.  
 \*\* Initial visit GCT for hx of GDM, family hx of DM, previous macrosomic infant > 4000g, prepregnancy weight > 200 #s, BMI > 29.

**NST (Non Stress Test):** reactive if 2 accelerations (15 beats lasting 15 seconds) in 20 mins. If nonreactive, send to L&D for further evaluation and management.

**AFI (Amniotic Fluid Index):** an ultrasound estimate of volume of amniotic fluid. AFI <6 oligohydramnios and >24 polyhydramnios; both require medical decision making.

**Bishop Score:** scoring system to determine if cervical is "ripe/favorable" (ready for pitocin induction) or not. Can use cervical ripening agents as needed (NOT IN VBAC's).

**Induction:** Schedule inductions (in advance if possible) w/HCMC L&D charge nurse after approval by FM faculty. Fill out induction worksheet and fax to L&D.  
 L&D has limits on number of procedures per day. May need to wait on elective inductions. Inductions for medical reasons take priority.

**Breastfeeding:** Educate pts about health benefits of breastfeeding. Discuss need for exclusive breastfeeding (no formula or bottles) for at least 2 weeks so that milk supply is established. Encourage skin-to-skin contact, rooming in, feeding on demand. Inform that colostrum is adequate nutrition for the first few days, milk let down occurs around 72 hours, baby's suckling needed to produce breastmilk.

**Postpartum:**  
 Need IUD visit for education, vaginal cultures, etc. Schedule that visit 4 weeks postpartum. Can do IUD insertion with postpartum visit at 6 weeks postpartum before MA financing runs out.

See Primary OB Handbook for further detail.

**Charting-problem list and narrative notes:** Narrative note every visit. Keep up-to-date. Dictate initial H&P and updated prenatal summary around 36 weeks. Dictate if scheduling induction.

**Childbirth education:** 1:1 and group prenatal classes. Write as order/appointment to be scheduled.

**Comanagement/referrals/transfer of care:** listed in FMC Primary OB Book. Discuss with FM faculty.

**Contraception:** progestin only pills or depo upon discharge from hospital (due to risk of thromboembolic events & disruption of establishment of breastfeeding). Can start combined OCP's 3-4 weeks postpartum.

**Dating ultrasounds:** confirm EDC, good for dating up to 20 weeks gestation. Order if patient has not had 3 regular periods preceding her missed period or is unsure of her LMP.

**Financial counselors:** if uninsured, pregnancy qualifies for medical assistance. Schedule any uninsured patient with FMC financial counselor. Write order for appointment.

**Flu shots - October -May if pregnant:** high risk of secondary bacterial infections if she gets influenza due to decreased immune response during pregnancy.

**Gestational diabetes (GDM):** see FMC GDM practice guidelines.

**HCMC L&D triage:** Patients seen in L&D for a variety of reasons. Dictate note. All G1's require direct supervision from senior resident.

**"Level II Ultrasound":** done by perinatologists at HCMC OB testing unit. Needed for anatomical abnormalities, abnormal triple screen, twins, IUGR, etc.

**Nausea/vomiting:** common, should resolve by 20 weeks, Unisom + Vit B6, refer to dietician. R/O hyperemesis gravidarum and GI causes as appropriate.

**Order sheet:** include future appointments, confirm you are primary care provider. Write orders for Doula if desired.

**Pain control options:** nonpharm (Doula, self-hypnosis, shower, birthing ball, etc.), IV/IM narcotics, intrathecal, epidural. Discuss w/pt and document plan on problem list.

**Positive PPD:** Obtain chest x-ray ASAP to rule out active TB. No need to delay (abd shielded). CXR -negative means latent TB infection. Get baseline LFT's and treat w/INH x 9 months. INH OK in breastfeeding women (AAP).

**Social services:** mostly by appointment for psychosocial needs (i.e. food, shelter, domestic abuse substance abuse, mental illness, suicidal, teen out of school, etc.)

**Trial of labor after c-section (TOLAC):** ok if 1 low transverse c-section or 1 unknown scar. See HCMC protocol. VBAC form to be filled out 3 times in pregnancy. Explain risks/benefits.

**Tubal ligation**(permanent irreversible sterilization): give patient booklet, review procedure w/patient. Dr. and patient need to have consent signed by no later than 30 days before EDC. Give patient copy of consent. Good for six months.

**Urinary tract infections:** + UC w/>100,000 single organism, treat w/abx and obtain another culture after finishing abx. If 2 separate positive urine cultures, abx prophylaxis (Macroclantin, Keflex) for remainder of pregnancy.