

KMC Service Readiness*

Leadership & Governance:
KMC in policy

Health financing:
KMC in budget and operational plans

Health information:
KMC indicators in HMIS

Health service delivery:
KMC offered at HFs

Health workforce:
Health workers trained in KMC

Essential supplies:
KMC supplies ** available

Community ownership & partnership:
KMC advocacy strategy

Action-Sequence for Facility-Based Kangaroo Mother Care

Identification
of small
newborns

KMC initiated and
service provided
per protocol

KMC
completion to
discharge

Follow-up to
KMC
graduation

Health services (facility & community)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health workers place all newborns STS immediately after birth, weigh and identify those eligible for KMC (<2000g) Health workers counsel caregivers on KMC <i>Optional: CHWs identify and refer small newborns to KMC facilities</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HF staff: continue LBW newborns in KMC position, support early & exclusive BF & formally admit to KMC and/or refer HF staff monitor & record per protocol: feeding, STS duration, temperature, breathing, heart rate, urine/stools; and assess daily for weight and complications 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HF staff: assess progress and discharge according to criteria; establish follow-up plan and counsel caregivers on follow-up ; record discharge <i>Optional: HF staff inform CHWs of KMC clients requiring follow-up</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health workers provide follow-up care – Facility and/or CHW (optional) assess feeding, weight, temperature, breathing, heart rate per protocol until graduation Health worker track follow-up status
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Caregivers and families

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mothers deliver at HF or arrange for skilled provider at home Families recognize small newborns and seek care 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Caregivers accept initiation of KMC services Caregivers practice recommended STS duration and feeding practices (using surrogate as needed) Caregivers adhere with referrals if needed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Caregivers remain in facility-KMC until newborn meets discharge criteria Family comfortable with KMC position and breastfeeding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Caregivers continue to practice KMC in community Caregivers attend follow-up visits as recommended until graduation
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*Based on WHO building blocks; **Essential supplies: scales, national protocols, minimum infrastructure – list to be determined by country