Helping Babies Survive
Essential Care for Every Baby
ACTION PLAN

Following initial care after birth
Continue skin-to-skin care and monitor breathing

Initiate breastfeeding

PREVENT DISEASE

Eye care
Cord care
Give vitamin K

ASSESS

Exam
Temperature
Weight

CLASSIFY

NORMAL

Maintain normal temperature

Support breastfeeding
Advise about breastfeeding problems

Immunize
Reassess baby for discharge
Give parents guidance for home care

PROBLEM

Abnormal temperature
Under 2000 g
Poor feeding

Improve thermal care
Express breast milk

Requires continued thermal support
Prolong skin-to-skin
Use alternative feeding method

If at any time a DANGER SIGN presents, immediately give antibiotics and seek advanced care

Continue inpatient care

DANGER SIGN

Fast breathing
Chest indrawing
Temperature <35.5°C or >37.5°C
Not feeding
No movement
Convulsions

<1500 g or Severe jaundice

Give antibiotics
Seek advanced care

60 min

90 min

24 hours