

# IN THE EARLY DAYS

## *When to Call the Doctor About Breastfeeding*



### Warning Signs From Baby

Call your baby's doctor if baby does any of the following:

- Does not feed at least 8 times each day
- Has a hard time waking for feedings – seems to sleep most of the time
- Nurses less and has a weak suck
- Has less than 6 wet diapers a day by day five
- Has less than 3 bowel movements a day by day three
- Skin has a yellow or red appearance (signs of jaundice)

### Warning Signs from Mom

Call your doctor if you have any of the following:

- Sore or cracked nipples
- Severely swollen breasts that are hard and painful
- Persistent red, tender, or warm areas on your breasts
- Fever, aches and weakness similar to the flu



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