

Initial steps in asphyxia management

- Ask the mother about /observe the fluid after the waters break
- If the fluid is thick yellow / green, as soon as the head is seen (even before delivery of complete baby) clean the mouth of the baby with gauze piece
- As soon as baby is born note the time of birth and start counting time
- No cry, weak cry, no breathing, weak breathing or gasping - decision about asphyxia
- Dry the baby
- Cover the baby with cloth