

Case Studies

1. Nanda delivered on September 30th at 7:20 a.m. At the time of delivery she had completed 8 months 5 days gestation. The baby's birth weight was 1 kg 950 grams. The baby was fine for the first 6 days.

Was the baby normal or high risk at birth ?

Why or why not ?

How many times would you visit the baby in the first 28 days?

What home care advice would you tell the mother at the time of delivery?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

On the 7th day, when the ASHA visited Nanda, she found that the baby had stopped suckling and had a distended abdomen. She was breathing well but her cry was weak.

What was the problem ?

What are your reasons for this diagnosis ?

2. Kamal's baby was born a week after the expected date and weighed 2.900 kg. It was strong and healthy. The ASHA helped Kamal start breastfeeding and performed the examination after one hour.

On the 8th day the mother said the baby was cold. The temperature was 94⁰ F (34.4⁰ C).

He was sleeping a lot but still feeding and crying.

His abdomen was soft and his limbs flexed.

His umbilical had healed well and he was breathing well with no chest indrawing.

Name of the ASHA : _____

Date : _____

Name of the trainer : _____

Total score : _____

Block : _____

What would you do and how ?

Does he have sepsis ?

Why or why not ?

The next day you come back. The baby's temperature is normal.

What do you advise the parents?

3. Leelabai was pregnant with her third baby.

The baby delivered at 7 months 24 days gestation and weighed 1.550 kg. The baby could not suckle up to the 14th day.

On the 15th day, the baby could suckle from the breast.

How do you describe this baby at birth ?

Why ?

How many times would you visit in the first month?

What advice would you give the parents on the first day?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

On the 17th day, the baby vomited twice, but continued to feed. She was not cold and had a good cry.

On 28th day, the baby weighed 2.250 kg.

What decision do you make on the 28th day?

On the 45th day the baby's all limbs were limp and the mother said the baby was cold. You take the temperature and it is 94° F (34.4° C).

What is your diagnosis ?

Why ?

On what day did the baby develop this ?
