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PREFACE

Client and family centered maternity care study which is always conducted on pregnant women and her family involves, considering the woman in totality. The care of the woman involves social, spiritual, physical and psychological aspects of their lives. The care is centered on both the woman and the whole family because the family plays a vibrant role in the care rendered to the woman and her unborn baby. The care involves data collection, nursing diagnosis, assessment, identification of problems, planning; implementation and evaluation of the data that would help solve the individual's problems.

The family centered maternal care study is an academic work which gives the student midwife an opportunity to nurse her client using the nursing process plan and the partograph to implement and evaluate her pregnancy, labour and puerperium using the knowledge and skills acquired during the training.

The report on the care study is compiled into a document which is part of the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Ghana's fulfilment in awarding professional certificate to the student midwife as a registered midwife after three years training.

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INTRODUCTION

The family centered maternity care study is a study about the nursing care given to the expectant mother, her unborn baby and her family as well. The student midwife puts into practice knowledge acquired in the classroom to care for the pregnant woman and her family and solving any identified problem in the course of the interaction throughout pregnancy, labour and puerperium.

This study was conducted on Madam Vivian Ankomah, a 28 years old gravida 2 para 1 all alive. She is Wamanafo in the Bono Region of Ghana. She was met on the 10th November, 2022 at Rachel's Health Center in the Bono Region with 36 weeks gestation and had come for her 6th antenatal care.

This study is made up of four chapters namely; Chapter One, Chapter Two, Chapter Three and Chapter Four. Chapter one deals with the client's particulars that's her social and personal history, medical history, surgical history, menstrual history, past and present obstetric histories. The second chapter which is chapter two deals with detailed narration of how the study was conducted during the period of her pregnancy. Chapter three deals with labour till the end of the first six hours after delivery. Chapter four gives an account of the management of the puerperium with emphasis on care of the mother and baby from day of delivery to the first seven days after delivery and second postnatal clinic visits. Each chapter ends with a care plan drawn for her with the problems which were identified throughout the period, this constitutes the appendices.

LITERATURE REVIEW

PREGNANCY

It is a period of having a developing embryo in the uterus and it is a time when women and their partners are especially open to reflecting on their lifestyles and healthcare options.

Myles (2014) states that, pregnancy is the condition of having a developing embryo or foetus within the body. Furthermore, it refers to a state of being with a foetus from the time of conception to the expulsion of the foetus. As soon as pregnancy is confirmed, many physiological changes take place in the body and return to its pre-pregnant state during puerperium due to the effect of hormones namely estrogen and progesterone. These hormones are responsible for the major changes that take place during pregnancy. Even though these hormones have their own effects by causing the minor disorders that occur during pregnancy, they are one way or the other an advantage for the mother and the growing foetus since the foetus depends solely on the mother for survival in utero. There are varieties of care that are rendered to the expectant mothers and their entire families which includes history taking, physical examination (head to toe examination and abdominal examination i.e. inspection, palpation and auscultation), laboratory investigation (urine, blood and stool), administration of routine drugs (folic acid, fersolate and multivitamin), and tetanus toxoid, education on minor disorders, danger signs of pregnancy, diet, travelling, rest and sleep, exercise, personal and environment hygiene, birth preparedness and complication readiness. The anatomical and physiological change in the uterus plays an essential role in pregnancy by protecting and supporting the fetus, placenta and amniotic fluid. At the time of labour, it is able to contract regularly and forcibly to expel the fetus due to its unique properties of contractility and elasticity.

Fraser & Cooper (2013) defines pregnancy as the fusion of the woman's egg and a man's sperm cell unite to form zygote. All changes in the mother's body during pregnancy are due to the effects of specific hormones. These changes enable her to nurture the foetus, prepare her body for labour and develop her breast and lay down stores of fats to provide calories for production of breast milk during puerperium. It further states that, the woman's psychological state is also affected by hormonal changes. The gestational period is divided into three trimesters. The first trimester is from the time of conception to the 12th week. The second trimester is from the 13th week to the 24th week whilst the third trimester is from the 25th week to the 38th week. During pregnancy, antenatal care is given to the woman throughout the period and should commence from the time pregnancy is diagnosed and continue until the safe delivery of the baby. This is why it is so important that, the midwife has the knowledge and understanding of the common disorders of pregnancy which include; constipation, fatigue, headache, lower abdominal pain, waist pains, leg cramp, backache, insomnia increase vaginal discharge among others in order to advise the woman on strategies that will help her cope with the condition and minimize the effects she experiences.

Marie Elizabeth (2013) defines pregnancy as when the woman's egg and a man's sperm cell unite to form zygote. The duration of pregnancy has traditionally been calculated by the clinicians in terms of 10 lunar months or 9 months and 7 days or 280 days or 40 weeks, calculated from the first day of the last menstrual period. This is called menstrual or gestational age. It is divided into 3 trimesters, a period of three months in each trimester. The first trimester begins from the fertilization of the ovum to 12 weeks of gestation. The second trimester begins from the 13th week to the 24th week of pregnancy. The third trimester starts from the 25th week to the 40th week. General check-up is done at interval of 4 weeks up to 28 weeks; at interval of two weeks up to 36

weeks and thereafter weekly till the expected date of delivery. Ideally this should be more flexible depending on the need, and the convenience of the patient.

Tiran (2021) stated that pregnancy is the condition of having a developing embryo or foetus within the body. It is the state from conception to the delivery of the foetus. The normal duration is about two hundred and eighty (280) days, forty (40) week or nine (9) months seven (7) days counted from the first day of the last normal menstrual period to delivery. During this period, psychological and physiological changes such as relaxation of the cardiac sphincter, relaxation of the smooth muscles of the intestines occur due to the effect of oestrogen and progesterone. These hormones provide nutritive and protective environment for the developing embryo and also prepares the breast for lactation.

King, (2014) pregnancy is a time of profound anatomic and physiologic changes in a woman's body. In addition to the reproductive organs, all maternal physiologic systems make adaptations needed to support the developing foetus and at the same time, maintain maternal homeostasis. Pregnancy last approximately two hundred and sixty-six days (266) or thirty-eight weeks (38) from ovulation. The antenatal period is into trimesters, first trimester is considered to be weeks 1 to 12 (12weeks) because organogenesis is completed at the end of twelve weeks and the risk of spontaneous abortion is significantly reduced at time. Historically, the second trimester was considered to be weeks 13 to 28 weeks was limit of viability. The third trimester extend from 29 to 40 weeks. The term 'post-date' or post term is typically used to describe a pregnancy beyond forty weeks (40).

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three months in each trimester. The first trimester begins from the fertilization of the ovum to 12 weeks of gestation. The second trimester begins from the 13th week to the 24th week of pregnancy. The third trimester starts from the 25th week to the 40th week. During this period, a lot of physiological changes occur in the body under the influence of hormones which affect all the systems and organs with the greatest change taking place in the uterus as it has to accommodate and nourish the developing foetus, prepare the woman body for labour, develop her breast and lay down stores of fats to provide calories for production of breast milk during puerperium. Any disorder due to the physiological changes is managed to prevent further complications such as anaemia which can endanger the life of both the mother and growing foetus.

Ojo (2006) said that when pregnancy occurs, menstruation ceases and returns some weeks or months after delivery. The hormones progesterone and oestrogen are produced in large quantities which exert some action on the various systems such as the skeletal system, respiratory system, digestive system, reproductive system etc. of the pregnant woman. The most outstanding of these changes is the growth which occurs in the uterus. The patient is usually the first person to suspect pregnancy. Her suspicion is often based on the fact that she has missed her period, the amenorrhoea occurs because, following the implantation of the fertilized ovum.

LABOUR

Konar (2013) states that, labour is a series of event that takes place in the genital organ in an effort to expel the viable products of conception out of the womb through the vagina into the outer world. The date of onset of labour is very much unpredictable to foretell precisely the exact date of onset of labour. It not only varies from case but even in different pregnancies of the same individual. Conventionally events of labour are divided into four stages: First stage starts from the onset of true labour pains and ends with full dilatation of the cervix. It is in other words, the ‘cervical stage’

of labour. Its average duration is twelve hours (12) in primigravida and six hours (6) in multipara. Second stage starts from the full dilatation of the cervix (not from the rupture of the membranes) and ends with expulsion of the fetus from the birth canal. It has got two (2) phases thus the propulsive phase starts from full dilatation up to the descent of the presenting part to the pelvic floor and the expulsion phase is distinguished by maternal bearing down efforts and ends with delivery of the baby. Its average duration is two hours (2) in primigravida and thirty minutes (30) in multipara. Third stage begins after expulsion of the fetus and ends with expulsion of the placenta and membranes (after-births) and control of haemorrhage. Its average duration is about fifteen minutes (15) in both primigravida and multipara. The duration is, however, reduced to five minutes (5) in active management. Fourth stage is the stage of observation for at least one hour (1) after expulsion of the after-births. During this period, general condition of the patient and the behaviour of the uterus are to be carefully monitored. Under bladder care, patient is encouraged to pass urine by herself as full bladder often inhibits uterine contraction and may lead to infection. If the woman cannot go to the toilet, she is given a bed pan. Privacy must be maintained and comfort must be ensured. If the patient fails to pass urine especially in late first stage, catheterization is to be done with strict aseptic precautions. Under rest and ambulation, if the membranes are intact, the patient is allowed to walk about. This attitude prevents venacava compression and encourages descent of the head. Ambulation can reduce the duration of labour; analgesia can improve maternal comfort. The transition from the first stage to the second stage is evidenced by the following features:

- Increasing intensity of uterine contractions.
- Urge to defecate with descent of the presenting part.
- Complete dilatation of the cervix on vaginal examination.

Varneys (2014) describes the onset of labour as the occurrence of regular painful contractions that promote dilatation of the cervix. Contractions that occur at regular intervals with increasing frequency, duration, and intensity are hallmark of labour. There are four stages of labour that has been established; the first, second, third and fourth stages. The first stage of labour starts with cervical dilatation which begins with regular rhythmic uterine contractions until the cervix is fully dilated. During this stage, enquiry is to be made about the onset of labour pains or leakage of liquor if any through general and obstetrical examinations including vaginal examination are to be carried out and recorded. Records of antenatal visits, investigation reports and any specific treatment given if available are to be reviewed. There is an assessment of progress of labour and partograph recording. The second stage of labour begins with the expulsion of the foetus from the birth canal, it starts when the cervix is fully dilated and the woman has the urge to expel the foetus and ends when the foetus is born. The third stage of labour is the complete expulsion of the placenta and its membranes as well as the arrest of haemorrhage. The fourth stage of labour is 6 hours after the delivery of the placenta and membranes and continues with close monitoring of the client and baby.

Myles (2014) states that, labour purely in physical sense, may be described as the process by which the fetus, placenta and membranes are expelled through the birth canal. Labour has four stages. Stage one comprises of latent phase and may last 6 to 8 hours in primigravidae. This begins when the cervix is 4cm dilated and in the presence of rhythmic contractions, progressively dilates to 10cm or full dilatation. Second stage of labour is the expulsion of the foetus. It begins when the cervix is fully dilated and the woman has the urge to expel the baby. There is stretching of the clitoris, gaping of the anus and bulging of the perineum. Labour completes when baby is born. In multigravida women, it last 15-30 minutes. Third stage begins after the expulsion of foetus and

ends with the expulsion of the placenta and membranes (afterbirth). The fourth stage is a period of careful observation of the mother made to assess excessive bleeding and the firmness of the contracting uterus immediately after the third stage of labour and it last for six hours after delivery of the placenta.

The National Safe Motherhood Service Protocol (2008) states that normal labour begins with a regular painful uterine contraction lasting at least twenty (20) seconds (timed by a trained observer) occurring at a frequency of at least two contractions in every ten minutes and with cervical dilatation of at least 3 centimeters. Signs that women may experience prior to labour includes show (pink mucous discharge from the vagina), engagement of the baby's head. The hormone oxytocin is responsible for the strong regular contractions of labour which when released cause the uterus to contract. Labour contractions feel very different from Braxton Hicks contractions that women experience during pregnancy but the most important difference is that labour contractions come regularly. Each one starts gradually, builds up to a peak and then fades away. Typically, when labour begins, contractions are short in length around 20 – 30 seconds long. As labour progresses contractions become gradually longer and stronger which dilates the cervix.

Tiran (2021) is defined as the process by which product of conception are expelled from the uterus through the birth canal. She continued that labour normally occurs spontaneously at term, that is between 38 and 42 weeks of pregnancy. The fetus should present with vertex and once started, the contractions should increase in strength and frequency without interruption and artificial stimulation until foetus, placenta and membranes are expelled by the maternal effort through the vagina. She further explained that, partograph is the graphical recording of labour progress obtained by assessment of visual patterns of cervical dilatation and descent of the presenting part in conjunction with records of maternal and foetal wellbeing.

PUERPERIUM

National Safe Motherhood Service Protocol (2008) states that the postnatal period is the period that starts from the end of delivery of the placenta and membranes and control of hemorrhage to six weeks after delivery. The purpose of postnatal care is to maintain the physical and psychological wellbeing of the mother and child. Postnatal care includes education of the mother on the care of her baby, detection and treatment or referral of any abnormalities for further management. The essential components of postnatal care are therefore:

1. Comprehensive screening to detect complications in both mother and baby.
2. Treatment of complications in mother and baby.
3. Assessment and support for infant feeding.
4. Malaria and anaemia prevention.

Some common discomforts of postpartum period in mothers are listed as after pains, perineal pain, bowel and urinary changes, stretch marks, fatigue, sleeplessness, breast engorgement backache, headache, haemorrhoids and mood changes in the first week. Those associated with the newborn are caput succedaneum, tongue tie, rashes and vomiting after feeds. The major causes of death in this period are infections, hypertensive complications, haemorrhage and thrombo embolism of which predisposing factors include:

1. Conditions or complications during the antenatal period.
2. Complications of labour, related to duration of labour and mode of delivery

Myles (2014) states that, following the birth of the baby and expulsion of the placenta, the mother enters a period of physical and psychological recuperation, this is known as puerperium. Puerperium starts immediately after the delivery of the placenta and membranes and continues for

six weeks. The overall expectation is that by six weeks after the birth of the baby, all the body systems will have recovered from the effects of pregnancy and return to their non-pregnant state. It strikes the difference between exercise and healthy activity verses rest, relaxation and sleep. Exploring each person's level of activity will encourage advice in relation to appropriate exercise and by association, nutritional intake and rest or relaxation and sleep. Undertaking regular pelvic floor exercise is of benefit to the woman's long-term health.

Konar (2013) states that, puerperium is the period following childbirth during which the body tissues, specifically the pelvic organs reverse back approximately to the pre-pregnant state both anatomically and physiologically. This begins as soon as the placenta is expelled and last for approximately six weeks when the uterus becomes regressed to the non-pregnant size called involution, the period is arbitrarily divided into(a) immediate-within 24 hours;(b) early-up to 7 days and remote-up to 6 weeks. In its anatomical consideration, the uterus immediately following delivery becomes firm and retract with alternate hardening and softening. At the end of six weeks, the weight of the uterus is almost similar to that of the non-pregnant state and weighs about sixty (60) grams. The physiological consideration of involution is most marked in the body of the uterus where the changes occur in the muscles, blood vessels and endometrium.

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1. To restore the health of the mother.
2. To prevent infections.

3. To take care of the breast, including promotion of breast feeding.
4. To motivate mother for contraception

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- Immediate –within 24 hours
- Early- up to 7 days
- Remote –up to 6 weeks

Immediately following delivery, the uterus becomes firmer and retracted with alternating hardening and softening. At the end of 6 weeks, its measurement is almost similar to that of the non-pregnant state and it weighs 60 grams. The lower uterine segment becomes thin, flabby and collapsed structure. The cervix contracts slowly; the external os admits to fingers for the few days but by the end of the first week, narrows down to admit the tip of a finger only. The external os never revert back to the nulliparous state. During puerperium the number of muscles fibres is not decreased but there is substantial reduction in the myometrial cell size. The arteries are constricted by contraction of its wall and thickening of the intima followed by thrombosis. New blood cells grow in the thrombi. Soon after birth it takes a long time (4 to 8) for the vagina to involute. The vaginal discharge for the first fortnight during puerperium is the lochia. The lochia originates from the uterine body, cervix and vagina. Depending upon the variation of the colour of the discharge it is named as: lochia rubra (red) 1 -4 days, lochia serosa (yellowish or pink or pale brownish) 5-9 days, lochia alba (pale white) 10 -15 days. The average amount of discharge, for the first 5-6

days is estimated to be 250 ml. With all definitions and changes it can be deduced that puerperium is the period from birth to 6 weeks of delivery.

Ojo& Brigg (2006) said at the end of labour, the uterus is still very large and mobile. The genital tract is greatly distended, bruised and perhaps lacerated. The abdominal muscles are flaccid and within a period of six weeks postpartum is called puerperium, and where the bruises are healed, the genital organs and any other organ which underwent changes during pregnancy return to their pre-gravid state. This process of readjustment is called involution. Lactation is also established during the said period. Lochia is the term used to describe the discharge from the uterus during the puerperium. During the puerperal period, the woman is educated on what goes on throughout the puerperal period and how to cope with these changes. Also, the puerperal woman needs a lot of rest and sleep, regular exercise, intake of adequate fluids and nutritious diet rich in protein, carbohydrate and vitamins. The mother is educated on how to care for the baby to prevent infections. Among this education include cord dressing, changing of napkins frequently and exclusive breastfeeding. Emphases are also laid on family planning within six weeks after childbirth.

WHY CLIENT WAS CHOSEN

On the 10th November, 2022, Madam Vivian was picked as a client at Wamanafo Health Center, during one of her regular antenatal appointments. She was greeted and provided a seat when she arrived. She had limited awareness of the "Importance of Exclusive Breastfeeding" during that morning's lesson, therefore she was unable to contribute adequately. The information she required on the subject was delivered. There were no abnormalities found during a complete examination from head to toe.

She was 36 weeks pregnant at that time. After reviewing her antenatal card, it was decided to accept her as a client because she had a previous delivery at the Health Center and had spontaneous delivery per vaginum with no complications, and also because her current gestation meets the criteria, which include being between para 1 and 4 all alive, and also being between 36 and 38 weeks and having spontaneously delivered per vaginum with no complications such as postpartum haemorrhage or having retained foetal tissue. As a student from the Holy Family Nursing and Midwifery Training College in Berekum, who was at the clinic for practical experience, I was introduced to her.

Her permission to be taken as a client for the care study was obtained, and she agreed. All of the relevant information was gathered. A home visit appointment was scheduled, directions to her home were given, and phone numbers were exchanged. The client was thanked and then she left.

CHAPTER ONE

ASSESSMENT OF CLIENT/FAMILY

1.0 INTRODUCTION

This chapter gives information about the client, her family and her community characteristics. This includes client's social, family, lifestyle, medical, surgical, menstrual, past and present obstetrical histories.

1.1 SOCIAL AND PERSONAL HISTORY

Madam Vivian is 28 years old and a gravida 2 para 1 alive. Client was born on 9th January, 1990 and currently resides in Wamanafo, house number WAK107 in Dormaa East District in the Bono Region. She is 160cm tall with a dark complexion. Client was born in Wamanafo Junior High School in Wamanafo in the Bono Region, for her basic school. She speaks bono. She is a trader. Madam Vivian is a member of the National Health Insurance Scheme. Mr. Atta Kusi is Madam Vivian's husband. Client's husband is a weather forecaster and they have been married for nine years and both of them are Christians. She finally said his husband is her next of kin.

1.2 FAMILY HISTORY

Mr. Taah Christopher and Ms Comfort Timah has four children, the second of whom is Madam Vivian. According to Madam Vivian, both parents are still alive and married. She also stated that her family does not have any history of hypertension, diabetes mellitus, sickle cell disease, asthma, tuberculosis, epilepsy, leprosy, or mental illness. They also have no family history of congenital anomalies including, cleft lip and palate, spinal bifida, or heart problems. She stated that their family has a history of several pregnancies. She asserted that deaths in the family are due to natural causes because she was unable to tie any occurrences to any type of spiritual superstition.

1.3 MEDICAL HISTORY

She has no history of medical ailments such as hypertension, diabetes, liver disorders, kidney problems, or pulmonary disorders, according to madam Vivian Ankomah, she had never been admitted to the hospital. Despite the fact that she occasionally has malaria, she is always treated as an outpatient whenever she goes to the hospital for treatment. She has never had an adverse reaction to any drug or food taken in her life. She is currently on no long-term medications other than haematenics and has never been transfused.

1.4 SURGICAL HISTORY

The client said that she has never had any surgical procedures such as a hysterectomy, oophorectomy, salpingectomy, myomectomy, or caesarean section. She has never been transfused and has never been involved in any accident of any sort that has harmed or compromised the adequacy of her pelvis.

1.5 MENSTRUAL HISTORY

Madam Vivian had her menarche when she was 17 years old. Her menstrual cycle is 28 days long, with moderate blood loss each month and mild dysmenorrhea for 6 days before the birth of her first child. During her period, she uses sanitary pad and changes it twice a day. Her last menstrual period occurred on February 7,2022

1.6 CLIENT'S HOBBIES AND LIFESTYLES

Madam Vivian gets up about 5:30 a.m. and goes to bed around 9:00 p.m. She has her morning prayer with her family every day before stepping out of her room to undertake a few domestic duties such as washing of utensils and dusting, as well as preparing breakfast for the family. She then bathes her child and gets him ready for school. Madam Vivian gets ready for work after

ensuring that everything in the house is in order and that her husband has gone to work. She leaves for work at 8:00 a.m. and returns home at 4:30 p.m. to prepare dinner for the family.

All of this is completed between Monday to Friday. She goes to church on Sunday, and she cleans the house and washes dirty clothes on weekends. She enjoys watching local films and playing ludo. Every morning, she brushes her teeth using pepsodent toothpaste and toothbrush. Her favourite dish is Banku with Okro stew and fish. She eats three times a day and drinks plenty of water, as well as emptying her bowels once a day. During weekends, they watch movies together and have some fun. She does not smoke or consume alcoholic beverages.

1.7 PAST OBSTETRICAL HISTORY

PREGNANCY

Madam Vivian is Gravid 2 para 1 and has never had a spontaneous or induced abortion. The interval between the first and current is nine years . According to her antenatal data, she never experienced pre-eclampsia, pregnancy-induced hypertension, antepartum haemorrhage, anaemia, or gestational diabetes during her pregnancy. She was a regular at Antenatal sessions and had two Tetanus Diphtheria vaccinations as well as a vitamin supplement. But because she is G6PD-deficient, she was unable to consume sulphadoxine Pyrimethamine, in all her pregnancies.

LABOUR AND DELIVERY

She was also very passionate about her health education. In order to figure out what happened with her earlier delivery (Labour), the mode of her first delivery at Wamanafo Health Center was spontaneous vaginal delivery with some small laceration at the perineum in her first delivery.

She went on to say that her previous deliveries took no longer than 18 hours. A healthy infant was born with a birth weight of 3.0kg, a length of 53 cm, and a head circumference of 36cm. When the

babies were born, they started crying right away. Complications after delivery, such as postpartum haemorrhage, retained placenta, and breast engorgement, were not documented.

Her placenta was delivered shortly after the delivery of her child, with only a small amount of blood loss. She was free of infection and psychosis during puerperium. Madam Vivian breastfed her kid for three months before starting him on complementary feeding. As directed by the child's health record book, the child was properly immunized against childhood preventable diseases. Her beloved husband provided her with a lot of physical, social, and emotional support in all her puerperium.

1.8 PRESENT OBSTETRIC HISTORY

Madam Vivian Gravida 2 para 1 alive had her booking at Wamanafo Health Center in the Dormaa East District within the Bono Region on 3th July,2022 with the registration number 220/22, when she was seventeen{17} weeks pregnant. Client gave her last normal menstrual period as 10th February, 2022 and her expected date of delivery was calculated to be on 17th of November, 2022. However, ultrasound scan was done and it revealed the expected date of delivery to 26th of November,2022 from her antenatal record book. Social, personal, medical, surgical, family, present and past obstetrical history were taken and recorded. Vital signs were checked and recorded as follows;

Temperature	36.0°c
Pulse	78bpm
Respiration	20cpm
Blood pressure	111/70 mmHg

Other observations made were as follows;

Height 160cm

Weight 71kg

Laboratory results revealed the following:

Haemoglobin level 13.4g/dl

Sickling Negative

Blood group A

Rhesus factor Positive

Blood film for malaria parasite Negative

HBsAg Negative

G6PD Full defect

VDRL Negative

Stool R/E No ova/ cyst

Urine R/E Negative for both sugar and protein

Acetone Clear

Appearance Straw

Bile Pigment Negative

These findings were used as base line recording for subsequent assessment of client's wellbeing. Provider initiated testing and counselling for human immune deficiency virus which was done to rule out mother to child transmission of HIV and client tested negative.

Head to toe examination was done which revealed no abnormality. On abdominal inspection, linea nigra was noticed and on palpation, the uterus was palpable and gestational age was 17 weeks.

Symphysio-fundal heights was 11cm. Tetanotoxoid immunization two dose was also administered. Intermittent prevention treated bed net was issued to client.

Client was advised to have enough rest and sleep, ensure personal and environmental hygiene to prevent infection and breeding of mosquitoes. Client was also educated on nutrition, danger signs of pregnancy such as swelling of feet, severe headache, vagina bleeding and to report immediately to the clinic anytime she experiences any of them. The date for her next visit was communicated to her and recorded in her antenatal record book. Client prescribed drug served were as follows:

Tablet ferrous Sulphate 200miligram once daily x 30 days

Tablet Folic Acid 5miligram once daily x 30 days

Tablet Multivitamin 200miligram once daily x 30 days

CHAPTER TWO

ANTENATAL CARE

2.0 INTRODUCTION

This chapter elaborates the care that was rendered during pregnancy. This include first contact with client, subsequent visit by client to the clinic, home visits during antenatal period and care plan drawn to solve problems encountered by client.

2.1 FIRST INTERACTION WITH THE CLIENT

Madam Vivian was first met when she came to the antenatal clinic at Wamanafo Health Center on 10th November, 2022 for her sixth [6th] visit to the clinic and she was also thirty-36 weeks. She was warmly welcomed and a seat was offered to her and enquiry about her health and that of her family was made. She said they were all fine and that she was coming for antenatal care.

After the health education has been given to the clients on that day, which was the importance of exclusive breastfeeding to the mother and baby, her body language communicated that she was not willing to practice exclusive breastfeeding. She was approached and her antenatal book was collected and glanced through and then introduction was made to her as a student midwife from Holy Family Nursing and Midwifery Training College, Berekum who came to have clinical experience and then wish to use her for care study and help her gain more knowledge on exclusive breastfeeding. All details of information and procedures involve in the study were explained to her and she gladly agreed and promised to give all the information needed and the maximum cooperation. Various examination that would be conducted on her such as checking of vital signs, urine test for protein and sugar and physical examination from head to toe was explained to her. She was told to empty her bladder to prevent discomfort and to give accurate findings which she

accepted to do. Her history and vital signs were taken and the findings recorded in her antenatal book were as follows;

Hemoglobin level	14 g/dl
Weight	80 kilograms
Temperature	36.5 degree Celsius
Pulse	80 beat per minute
Respiration	20 cycle per minute
Blood Pressure	120/60mmHg

Urine Testing

Client was given a specimen bottle to provide midstream urine, with the aim of testing for protein and glucose. A chemically prepared strip was dipped into the urine sample. There was no change in colour of the strip indicating negative results.

Client was made aware that head to toe examination was to be performed on her. The procedure was explained to her. The necessary equipment for the procedure were gathered and taken to the examination room. Privacy was provided. She was asked to sit on the bed, lie lateral and then assume a supine position. Hands were washed and dried.

Physical Examination

HEAD AND FACE: The examination was started on the client from the head. The hair was inspected for cleanliness, lice, ringworm, dandruff, alopecia and infection. Her face was inspected for oedema and chloasma and rashes but no abnormality was detected. Her eyes were also

inspected for pallor of the conjunctiva, yellowish or jaundice of the sclera but no abnormality was detected. The ears were also inspected for discharges and alignment with the eyes and pain, the nose for any congestion and nothing abnormal was detected. The mouth for halitosis, the lips for pallor and cracks, the tongue for pallor, the teeth for tooth decay and cleanliness. No abnormality was detected. As the procedure was on going, client was congratulated for having taken good care of herself. The neck was examined for any distended neck veins, enlarged lymph nodes and thyroid gland. All these were absent.

BREAST EXAMINATION: The breast was exposed to check for size, shape, , dimpling nipple retraction and condition of the skin. One breast was covered and she was asked to put the hand of the part to be examined under her head. The breast was palpated systematically in a circular manner using the inner aspect of the fingers and client was reminded of self-examination. Nipples were squeezed gently and were examined for odour, blood as it was cleaned with cotton wool swab. The same was done for the other breast and no abnormality was noted. Breastfeeding history was asked and her desire to breastfeed was positive as her previous child was breastfed.

She was asked for tingling and tightness of the finger on making a fist, the hands and fingers were inspected for oedema, pallor of palms and nail bed and no abnormality was noted. The legs were inspected for size and equality and palpated for oedema, tenderness in the calf muscles, varicose veins, size and equality and no abnormality was noted.

The back was examined for deformity of the spine (scoliosis), oedema of the sacral region, pain at the coast vertebra angle and no abnormality was detected. The condition of the skin was also noted to be normal.

ABDOMINAL EXAMINATION

On inspection, the abdomen was inspected for scars, size, shape, striae-gravidarium, linear nigra and foetal movement. Linear nigra was present, the shape was ovoid with no scars, the size was average and there was a detection of foetal movement.

Measurement of the Symphysis-fundal height; the measuring tape was placed on the abdomen with zero end at the fundus and the tape extended to the symphysis pubis. The Symphysis-fundal height measured 35cm and the gestational age was 36 weeks.

FUNDAL PALPATION; the hands were rubbed together to make them warm in order not to induce contractions. The palms were placed on either side of the fundus while facing the woman's head. Fingers were curved around the top of the fundus and a soft mass was felt, indicating that the buttocks were occupying the fundus.

LATERAL PALPATION; the palms were placed on both sides of the uterus, midway between the symphysis pubis and the fundus. The uterus was stabilized with one hand and examined by the other hand. The palpation was started from the abdominal midline to the lateral side of the abdomen and from the symphysis pubis to the fundus in a rotational manner. The foetal back (the smooth part) was located at the right side of the woman's abdomen, and the limbs (the rough part) were at the left side.

PELVIC PAPANATION; Patient was ask to lie on supine position, facing the woman's feet, she was asked to flex her knees slightly and breath in and out slowly to aid in the relaxation of the abdominal muscle. The palms were placed on either side of the uterus just below the level of the umbilicus and fingers directed toward the symphysis pubis, thumbs almost meeting. Presentation was determined to be cephalic as a hard mass was palpated, the lie was longitudinal, and the foetus position was right occipitoanterior.

2.2 FIRST ANTENATAL HOME VISIT

The first home visit to Madam Vivian's house was on the 12th November, 2022 at exactly 11am. The aim of the visit was to find out how her environment looked like. The second aim was to see whether she was prone to infection and also check on her items for labour (layette). Greetings were exchanged and seat were offered. She was in the house with her family enjoying the weekends. After assessing her environment, she was encouraged to maintain the neatness in her compound and also, she was asked to continue with her routine drugs as prescribed. Before leaving, her child finger nails were inspected and they were nicely trimmed. Her layette was also checked, she had already packed her bag with items like; sanitary pads, cot sheets, toiletries etc. Client and family were thanked for their hospitality. Her permission was sought to leave and promised to pay her another visit.

PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

Madam Vivian, lives in their own house with a detached bath room, toilet and kitchen with House number WK-107 within Dormaa East District in the Bono Region. The house is built with blocks and roofed with aluminum sheet. The house is made up of two rooms. She lives with her husband and her child and other family members and has a cordial relationship with them. Inside her room was a neatly laid bed with a treated mosquito net hanged around it. The room was well ventilated. There is no tap in the house so client fetches pipe borne water from a nearby house for domestic activities. Electricity is the source of power used in the house. She has a kitchen which is made with blocks which she keeps clean always. They share the bath house with the other family members. She gathers rubbish or waste in a container with a cover which she finally disposes every day at a refuse dump meant for public use. The compound was very nice because it looked very neat and the surroundings was neatly weeded. There was no stagnant water and no choked gutters.

PSYCHOSOCIAL ENVIRONMENT

Client lives with her husband and her child and other family members and has a cordial relationship with them. Madam Vivian is sociable and is at peace with everyone in the family. She is well related with her neighbours and she also actively participates in most social activities especially in the community. Madam Vivian said she has some few friends of which she usually visits them at her free time. She is well respected in the community because of her attitude and behaviour that she depicts in the community.

2.3 SECOND ANTENATAL HOME VISIT

The second home visit was made on 14th November, 2022 at 1:30pm. The visit was made purposely to check on the health status and educate her on birth preparedness and complication readiness plan. Client was doing well except that she complained of; [1.] waist pains, [2.] backache and [3.] could not empty her bowels for the past two days. She was therefore encouraged to take in more fluids, fruits and vegetables rich in fiber such as pineapple, oranges, water melon and pawpaw, lettuce, carrot etc., which will increase the bulk of the bowel content and increase bowel movement. She was again educated on the true signs of labour such as rhythmic regular uterine contractions and 'show', and was told to report immediately to the clinic as soon as she sees any danger signs of pregnancy such as severe frontal headache, severe lower abdominal pains, bleeding per vaginum and excessive vomiting. She was also educated on birth preparedness and complication readiness plan by asking her who would be her doula as well as take care of the house during that same period and she replied saying her husband and sister would take that responsibility. She was also encouraged to arrange with a taxi driver who would take her to the facility should labour set in at an odd hour. Madam Vivian was also told to pack items for delivery including her hospital card and (NHIS) so she will not find herself wanting when labour sets in.

She was allowed to ask questions and appropriate answers were given. Client was thanked for her cooperation and reminded of her next visit to antenatal clinic on 17 November, 2022.

SUBSEQUENT ANTENATAL VISIT TO THE HEALTH FACILITY

Madam Vivian visited the clinic on the 17th November 2022 as she was booked to come in a week time. She was warmly welcomed and a seat was offered to her. Her health and that of her family was asked and she complained of [4.] heart burns and [4.] lower abdominal pains. Observations were made as follows;

Temperature	36.50C
Pulse	78bpm
Respiration	22cpm
Blood pressure	111/70mmHg
Weight	71kg

A container was given to her to empty her bladder and collect midstream urine for examination, which turned negative for both protein and sugar {+/+}, which signifies that client is free from glucose and proteinuria. Client was therefore thanked for her cooperation.

2.4 CARE PLAN DURING ANTENATAL PERIOD

Problems Identified During Antenatal

Madam Vivian complained of the following;

17/11/2022

1. Heart burns

2. Lower abdominal pains

14/11/22

3. Backache

4. Constipation

5. Waist pain

Short Term Objectives

Client will cope with and be relieved of heartburns till the end of pregnancy

Client will cope with and be relieved of lower abdominal pain till the end of pregnancy.

Client will cope with and be relieved of backache till the end of pregnancy.

Client's bowel action will be restored to once daily within 48 hours throughout pregnancy.

Client will cope with and be relieved of waist pain till the end of pregnancy.

Long Term Objectives

Madam vivian will go through pregnancy, labour and puerperium successfully without any complication to herself and the foetus.

CARE PLAN DURING ANTENATAL

DATE/ TIME	NURSING DIGNOSIS	NURSING OBJECTIVES/ OUTCOME CRITERIA	NURSING ORDERS	NURSING INTERVENTION	DATE/ TIME	EVALUATION	SIGN
17/11/2022 7:30am	Heartburns related to progesterone relaxing the cardiac sphincter.	Client's heart burns will be reduced and cope with it within 24 hours as evidenced by; 1. client verbalizing that she is relieve of heart burns. 2. Midwife observing client's body language.	1. Support client emotionally 2. Explain the physiology of heartburns to the client. 3. Educate client to reduced fatty and spicy foods. 4. Educate client to eat in bits but at a frequent interval. 5. Educate client not to go to bed soon after eating .	1. Client was supported emotionally that she will be relieved of heartburns. 2. Physiology of heartburns was explained to client that it is due to the reflux of gastric content into the esophagus 3. Client was educated to reduce fatty and spicy foods. 4. Client was educated to eat bit at shorter intervals. 5. Client was educated to sit for sometimes before going to bed after eating.	18/11/2022 7:30am	Goal fully met as ; 1.client verbalize, she has been relieved of heart burns and 2 ..midwife observing client having a good body language.	O.A.P

CARE PLAN DURING ANTENATAL CONTINUED

DATE/ TIME	NURSING DIGNOSIS	NURSING OBJECTIVES/ OUTCOME CRITERIA	NURSING ORDERS	NURSING INTERVENTION	DATE/ TIME	EVALUATION	SIGN
17/11/2022 7:30am	Lower abdominal pain related to descent of the foetal head.	Client will cope with it within 48 hours as evidenced by; 1. Client verbalizing she is relieved from lower abdominal pain. 2. Midwife visualizing clients having a cheerful facial expression in bed.	1 Reassure client 2 Explain the physiology of lower abdominal pains to the client 3 Encourage client to rest in between activities. 4 Encourage client to wear low heel shoes	1.Client was reassured on the available measures which will decrease her pain 2. The physiology of lower abdominal pain was explained to client 3. Client was encouraged to rest in between activities . 4.Client was encouraged to wear low heel shoes	19/11/2022 7:30am	1.Goal fully met as client verbalize that she has been relieved of lower abdominal pain 2.Midwife visualizing that client have cheerful facial expression in bed.	O.A.P

CARE PLAN DURING ANTENATAL CONTINUED

DATE/ TIME	NURSING DIGNOSIS	NURSING OBJECTIVES/ OUTCOME CRITERIA	NURSING ORDERS	NURSING INTERVENTION	DATE/ TIME	EVALUATION	SIGN
17/11/2022			5 Encourage client husband to help client with household chores	5. Client husband was encouraged to help client with household chores	18/11/2022		

CARE PLAN DURING ANTENATAL CONTINUED

DATE/ TIME	NURSING DIGNOSIS	NURSING OBJECTIVES/ OUTCOME CRITERIA	NURSING ORDERS	NURSING INTERVENTION	DATE/ TIME	EVALUATION	SIGN
14/11/2021 9:40am	Backache related to physiological changes in late pregnancy.	Client will cope with and be relieved of backache within 48 hours as evidenced by 1.Client verbalizing she is relieved of the backache. 2. Midwife observing client's body language.	1. Reassure client. 2. Explain the physiology of backache to client. 3. Encourage client to stand in between activities(sewing) 4. Encourage client to rest her back on a pillow when sitting. 5. Encourage client's family to help her with household chores. 6. Encourage client to sleep on a firm mattress.	1.Client was reassured she will be relieved of back ache after delivery 2 Explanation of the physiology of backache in late pregnancy was given to client. 3. Client stood up in between activities. 4. Client rested her back on a pillow when sitting 5. Client's family helped with her household chores. 6.Client slept on a firm mattress	16/11/2022 9:40am	Goal fully met as evidenced by 1.client verbalized that she has been relieved of backache and 2.midwife observing client body language.	O.A.P

CARE PLAN DURING ANTENATAL CONTINUED

DATE/ TIME	NURSING DIGNOSIS	NURSING OBJECTIVES/ OUTCOME CRITERIA	NURSING ORDERS	NURSING INTERVENTION	DATE/ TIME	EVALUATION	SIGN
17/11/2022 2:30pm	Constipation related to activity of progesterone causing decreased peristaltic movement and relaxation of the smooth muscles of the large intestine during late pregnancy.	Client will be able to move her bowels within 24hours as evidenced by 1..Client verbalizing that she passed stool within 24 hours and relieved from discomfort of constipation. 2.Husband verbalizing her wife is relieve from constipation as he saw her in the morning coming from the toilet.	1. Reassure client 2. Explain the physiology of constipation 3. Educate her to take in foods rich in fiber twice daily. 4.Take 3litres of fluids every 24hours 5. Educate the client to do exercise.	1. Client was reassured on the available measures to be implemented on her to facilitate easy pass of stools 2. Explanation of the physiology of constipation was given to client as due to poor peristalsis, inadequate fluid intake and reduced or no fiber consumption. 3. Client took food rich in fiber like fruits and vegetables. 4. She drank 3 liters of fluids per day. 5. Client understood the health benefits of exercises and engaged	18/11/2021 2:30pm	Goal fully met as 1.Client verbalizing that she passed stool within 24 hours and is relieved from discomfort of constipation. 2.Husband verbalizing her wife is relieve from constipation as he saw her in the morning coming from the toilet.	O.A.P

				herself in tolerable exercises. (walking)			
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CARE PLAN DURING ANTENATAL CONTINUED

DATE/ TIME	NURSING DIGNOSIS	NURSING OBJECTIVES/ OUTCOME CRITERIA	NURSING ORDERS	NURSING INTERVENTION	DATE/ TIME	EVALUATION	SIGN
14/11/2022 2:30pm	Waist pain related to descent of foetal head putting pressure on sacral nerves	Client will cope with waist pain within 48 hours as evidenced by; 1. Client verbalizing that she is relieved of waist pain. 2. Midwife visualizing client's body language.	1. Reassure client 2. Encourage client to have 2 hours rest during the day. 3. Educate Client to stand in between activities. 4. Educate Client to engage in exercises. 5. Advice client to reduce house hold chores.	1. Client was reassured on the available measures which will decrease her pain 2. Client had 2 hours of rest during the day. 3. Client understood and stood up in between activities 4. Client was educated to engage herself in exercises 5. Client was advised to get a support person to help in house chores.	16/11/2022 2:30pm	Goal fully met as evidenced by 1. client verbalized that she has been relieved of waist pain. 2. Midwife verbalizing client is free from waist pain	O.A.P

Respiration 24 cycles per minute

Blood Pressure 115/69 millimeter per mercury

A specimen bottle was given to her for the midstream urine collection for urine examination and a bed pan was also served. The amount of urine produced was 150mls. A urine reagent strip was used to test for glucose, acetone and protein and the result was negative and the colour of urine was amber, clear and not offensive. Hands were washed with soap under clean running water and dried with clean dry towel. Having explained the procedure and her consent sought, general examination was conducted but no abnormality was detected.

Client's abdomen was inspected, and it was ovoid in shape and medium in size. Striae gravidarum, linear nigra and foetal movement were present but no scar was found. The abdomen was palpated, symphysis fundal height was 37cm, and gestational age was 38 weeks, the lie was longitudinal, presentation was cephalic and descent was 4/5th palpable abdominally. Contraction was 2 in 10 minutes lasting for 20 seconds. The heart rate was auscultated, and was 150beats per minute with good volume and regular in rhythm. Hands were washed with soap under running water and dried with a clean towel, sterile gloves were worn for vaginal examination at 7:00am. The vulva was then inspected for scars, sores, wart, clitoridectomy, and abnormal discharge but none was present. The vulva was then swabbed with sterile cotton wool swabs soaked in savlon solution. After swabbing the vulva, the vagina was entered with the middle finger and then followed by the index finger. On vaginal examination, the vagina was warm and moist, the cervix was soft, thin and the presenting part well applied to it. The membranes intact, cervical dilatation was four (4) centimeters, presentation was cephalic, promontory of sacrum was not reached at 5 centimeters. The sacrum was well curved, ischial spines were blunt and pubic arch was wide. Hands were removed and a fist was made and it fitted into the intertuberous diameter. Madam Vivian perineum

was cleaned and a perineal pad applied to the vulva. Client was encouraged not to sit for a very long period but encourage to walk around to help manage the pain and aid descent. Madam Vivian was encouraged to lie on her left side when she felt tired. She was also encouraged to pass urine frequently and when she felt the urge as that will aid in the descent of the foetal head and effective contractions and also change her perineal pad when soiled to prevent infection. Client was covered with a cloth and made comfortable in bed and was educated on the progress of labour and findings were recorded on the observation chart. She was told to assume any position comfortable to her and sacral massage was done during contractions to reduce pain. She was cautioned not to push when she felt the pains because that would make the cervix oedematous and thereby prolonging labour. She was reminded of the importance of deep breathing exercise and how to do it. She was asked if she felt hungry and she replied she was okay. Client's mother was offered a seat outside and he was reassured of safe delivery.

Preparation for birth

The staff midwife on duty was chosen as the skilled personnel and informed to assist in case help was needed. Her mother who was the unskilled personnel was told to stay around in case he will be needed to run errands during the delivery. The emergency plan was reviewed by making numbers of fellow midwives and obstetricians in the receiving hospital in referral cases available. The taxi driver was also available as his service may be needed as a means of transportation to help with advanced care if the need arises. The area of delivery was prepared by drawing curtains for privacy and warmth. Since the baby would be delivered unto the mother's abdomen, it was washed and cleaned with sterile gauze and her hands were also washed. The resuscitation area was prepared by assembling items like bulb syringe, stethoscope, radiant heat bulb, cord clamp, ambubag, face mask, clean cot sheet, syringes etc.

3.2 MANAGEMENT OF FIRST STAGE OF LABOUR

Client was put on partograph because at 4cm on vagina examination at 7:00am, she was in active labour. Sacral massage was done for her during contraction to help relieve her of the pains. She was encouraged to walk around so that with the principle of gravity, the presenting part could easily descend to hasten cervical dilation and subsequently progress of labour. She was educated on perineal care and informed to also wash hands with soap and water to avoid infections.

At 11:00am, there was spontaneous rupture of membrane and the liquor was clear with moulding of (++) and vagina examination was done to exclude cord prolapse. Cervical dilatation was 8cm, foetal heart rate was 145 beat per minutes, contractions were 5 in 10 lasting for 39seconds, descent was 1/5th and maternal temperature was 36.7,pulse was 80beats per minutes, Blood pressure 120/70mmgh. During this time, she complained of exhaustion and was sweating excessively, client was reassured and encouraged to rest in between contraction and 400mls of malt drink was served. Windows were opened to enhance fresh.

Setting of trolley

The trolley was set with the following instruments and items on top and button shelf;

The top shelf which contains the sterile instrument and also the delivery pack, of which are ;

- Two sterile artery forceps
- One sterile cord scissors
- Sterile drape
- Membrane pierce

- Sterile receiver for placenta
- Injection tray containing 10 units of oxytocin
- Sterile Episiotomy Park containing scissors and suturing forceps

Button shelf also contains;

- Drum containing gauze and cotton wool
- Chettle forceps in its container
- Bulb syringe
- Sterile gloves
- Perineal pads
- Cord clamps
- Savlon
- Measuring jug
- Identification band
- Examination gloves
- Cot sheet

At 1:00pm, she complained of the urge to push. The already set delivery trolley was pushed to the delivery bed side. Vaginal examination was repeated to ascertain dilatation of the cervix, and indeed she was 10 cm dilated, moulding was (++), liquor was clear foetal heart rate was 140 beat per minutes, the contractions were 5 in 10 lasting 47 seconds and descent 0/5th, temperature 36.5

degrees Celsius. The staff midwife on duty confirmed full dilatation as well. So it marked the end of the first stage of labour.

3.3 MANAGEMENT OF THE SECOND STAGE OF LABOUR

Madam Vivian, having successfully passed through the first stage was moved to the second stage room at 1:00pm Protective clothing such as head gear, goggle, face mask, plastic apron and boots were worn. After hand washing, surgical gloves were put on to complete the sterility of the entire procedure. She was encouraged to assume dorsal position with the knee flexed as agreed earlier. The vulva was swabbed with the sterile cotton and savlon lotion. She was draped with 4 sterile towels; one each on the abdomen, under the buttocks as well as both thighs. Full dilation of the cervix was confirmed. A pad was applied to the perineum to prevent fecal content from entering the baby's face. She was reassured and encouraged to bear down with contractions and to rest in between contraction. Client was,[4.] sweating profusely; windows were open to ensure proper ventilation and fans were also on to make client comfortable. As the pressure of the head thins out the perineum, the birth of the head was controlled with index and middle fingers placed on the foetal head to aid flexion to prevent perineal laceration. The pad placed on the perineum was equally supported and the head was allowed to crown slowly. After crowning of the head, client was asked to stop bearing down. With extension, the sinciput, the face, and chin swept the perineum for the head to be born. Quickly neck was checked with a finger to rule out cord around it but was not felt, then a clean gauze was used to wipe the eyes from the inner contours outwards. The face, mouth and nose were also wiped. There was restitution followed by external rotation of the head (internal rotation of the shoulders occurred spontaneously). With both hands on each side of the baby's head, over the ears, a downward gentle pressure was applied towards the mother's perineum to deliver the anterior shoulder. The posterior shoulder was also delivered by upward

movement towards the mother’s abdomen. The trunk and the rest of the body were also delivered by lateral flexion onto the mother’s abdomen at 1:30pm. The baby was placed on the chest for skin-to-skin contact between the mother and baby and to provide warmth to the baby. The delivery time was noted as 1:30pm by the midwife on duty and the sex confirmed as female. Thorough cleaning of the baby was done as quickly as possible to prevent heat loss and possible hypothermia. The baby was not suctioned because the airway was clear and baby cried immediately. The Apgar score at the end of the first minute of birth was quickly assessed as 8/10.

3.4 IMMEDIATE CARE OF THE BABY

Immediately the head was delivered, sterile gauze was used to clean the baby’s face, eyes, mouth and nose. The baby was delivered onto the mother’s abdomen. The baby was kept warm by wiping off the liquor thoroughly and was covered with a clean dry cot sheet on the mother’s chest. First minute APGAR score was recorded as;

First Minute Apgar score:

TIME	COLOUR	BREATH	HEART	TONE	REFLEX	TOTAL
1 MINUTE	2	2	2	1	1	8/10
5 MINUTE	2	2	2	1	2	9/10

In 2 minutes, the cord was clamped 2 finger beneaths from the baby’s abdomen with a cord clamp and 3 finger breath above the first clamp, the cord was cut in between covered with gauze to prevent splashing of blood from the cord. The baby was left on the mother’s abdomen for skin-to-skin to prevent heat loss. Identification band was placed at the baby’s wrist with the mother’s

name, sex, date and time of delivery. The condition of the baby was very good as she was actively crying and responding to stimuli, so breastfeeding was initiated.

3.5 MANAGEMENT OF THE THIRD STAGE OF LABOUR

Procedure involve in this stage was explained to client's understanding. Permission was sought before continuing with the third stage management. During the active management of the third stage, Madam Vivian uterus was palpated through the abdomen to exclude the presence of second twin. At 1:35, oxytocin 10 units was injected intramuscularly on the upper outer thigh of the client within the first minute by the midwife to stimulate uterine contraction. The cord was re-clamped closer to the perineum with artery forceps. The left hand was put on the fundus to feel for contraction. As soon as contraction was felt, left hand was repositioned and placed on the suprapubic area with the palm facing the mother's abdomen (counter traction). The uterus was pushed upward to prevent inversion of the uterus. The right hand held the forceps and the cord. Gentle downward traction was put on the cord and repeated until the placental tissues were visible at the vulva. The placenta was cupped in both hands and gently turned in a twisting motion to deliver the membranes. The act prevented the tearing of the membrane.

The placenta was delivered completely at 1:40pm. A quick inspection was made to ensure that the membranes and lobes were intact and it was placed in the receiver. The cord had one big vein and two arteries. Immediately, the fundus of the uterus was massaged through the abdomen until it was well contracted, blood clot was expelled from the uterus and measured 150mls. She was reassured and permission was asked to conduct vaginal examination to exclude any form of trauma to the cervix, vagina and the perineum. Fortunately, there were no cervical, vaginal, or perineal tears. All soiled materials were removed and she was properly cleaned with Dettol solution and made comfortable in a well laid bed. She was encouraged to empty her bladder regularly to ensure

good contraction. She jubilated and glorified the name of the living God. Other family members were allowed to see Madam Vivian and her baby.

Examination of Placenta

The placenta was sent to the sluice room and was examined. The placenta was held by the cord with the membranes hanging and the membranes were examined for completeness and it was intact. The placenta was then laid on a flat surface for further examination. The amnion was peeled from the chorion up to the umbilical cord and was fully viewed, the lobes fitted together without any gap and edges also forming uniform circle at the maternal surface and this meant that there was no missing lobe, there was no white patches on the maternal surface, there was also no blood vessels radiating into the membranes which meant no succenturiate lobe. The cord was situated at the center of the placenta with one vein and two arteries seen. There was no abnormality detected. The placenta was then discarded. The instruments and equipment's used were soaked in 0.5% chlorine solution for ten[10] minutes and washed, rinsed, dried and repacked for sterilization. Hands were dipped in chlorine solution before discarding the gloves.

3.6 MANAGEMENT OF THE FOURTH STAGE OF LABOUR

During the fourth stage, the client and the baby were under close observation for early detection of postpartum complication that arose. Madam Vivian and baby were managed in the labour ward for 1hour 40mins and then transferred to the lying-in ward for the six hours for observation. Mother's vital signs were closely monitored every 15 minutes for 2 hours, every 30 minutes for an hour and every hour for three hours. The uterus was felt for contraction every 15 minutes to make sure it was well contracted. The first 15-minutes vital signs were recorded as follows;

Temperature 36.2 degrees Celsius

Pulse	80bpm
Respiration	20cpm
Blood Pressure	113/71mmhg

Madam Vivian was also educated on how to feel for contraction and also massage her uterus. The symphysio -fundal height was measured and recorded as 17cm. Much attention was paid to the amount of blood loss during the lying-in period as the pad was regularly inspected. The lochia was red in colour, moderate flow and no odour. The client complained of lower abdominal pain which worsened with suckling. The physiology of this was also explained to the client. She took Milo drink and Bread. Family members were also encouraged to visit Madam Vivian and the new born baby.

Baby

The baby was observed for colour, breathing, bleeding from the cord and warmth but no abnormality was found. The baby was able to suckle the mother's breast.

Prevention of disease (prophylaxis for the baby)

This was done within the first 90 minute to prevent infections such as ophthalmic neonatorum a condition which is notifiable, neonatal tetanus and hemorrhagic disease of the new born. The baby's eyes were cleaned with sterile cotton wool swab soaked in normal saline from the inner to outer canthus and chloramphenicol eye drop was instilled on them. The umbilical cord was clean with methylated spirit. Vitamin K1 IM with the dose of 1.0 mg was given after the examination and hands were washed before and after every procedure.

Examination of the new born

After washing hands and drying them, the procedure was explained to Madam Vivian. Disposable gloves were worn and the baby was examined in the presence of the mother in a clean, warm environment, with nearby windows closed and light turned on. Baby was placed on a covered flat surface with only the part being examined exposed systematically. Baby's general condition was stable. A detailed head to toe examination was carried out to determine any abnormality.

The head and face: The head were examined for softness/tension of fontanelles, size and shape, lacerations, caput succedaneum as well as intracranial haemorrhage but no abnormality was detected. Head circumference was measured by encircling the head with a tape measure from the occipital protuberance to the supra-orbital ridges and it measured 35cm. The eyes opened spontaneously when the baby was held in an upright position and the conjunctiva was clear. Eyes were also examined for colour, redness, discharge, placement and conjunctiva for haemorrhage but no abnormality was found. The nose was inspected for size and shape and examined for deviated septum but the septum was normal. The nostrils were inspected for patency and discharges and the mucosa for colour and polyps which were all normal. The mouth was examined by pressing the angle of the jaw which opened the mouth and the tongue, gum and palate were inspected and there was no false tooth noticed. The palate was high arched, intact and the uvula centrally placed. There was no cleft palate or cleft lip, tight frenulum or tongue tie. Suckling, rooting and swallowing reflexes were checked and were present. The ears; the upper notch of the pinnae was at the same level with the canthus of the eye. External auditory meatus was patent and the cartilage in the pinnae was checked for its softness. The shape and size were also noted and no abnormality was detected. The neck was inspected and palpated with no swelling such as congenital goiter, enlarged lymph node, rotation and flexion were good. The chest was examined,

the respiratory movement was regular and the respiratory rate was 40cpm. Breasts were palpated for consistency, masses, and the nipples for position and milk. The space between the nipples was noted and the nipples were in alignment. The abdomen was round with no bleeding from the umbilical cord and no signs of infection. The cord was examined and there was one vein and two arteries. The liver and spleen were palpated for size, tenderness and masses but no abnormality was detected. Apex beat was present and was recorded as 130bpm. The limbs and digits were checked for length, movement and paralysis of the upper limbs. The digits were counted to be normal and separate to exclude webbing and the palm for the number of palmer creases. The shape and colour of the nail bed were inspected and reflexes (grasping, moro) checked. Everything was normal. The lower limbs, the leg and feet were inspected for symmetry, extra digits, webbing, movement, fare foot adduction, clubbed feet, knock-knees, bowed leg, tibia torsion and paralysis but no abnormality was found. The hip had no dislocation and the reflexes (knee jerk/ patella, plantar) were present. The feet were examined for disabilities such as talipes and popliteal spaces were examined without any abnormality detected. The spine was also examined with baby turned to one side. The back was palpated for swelling, dimpling, hairy patches to exclude spinal bifida and for missing vertebra, meningomyelocele but no abnormality detected. The labia, clitoris, vagina, and urethra were inspected for patency, foreign bodies, adhesions and discharge. The anus was examined for patency and it was patent. The anus was also palpated for sphincter tone, masses, tenderness but it was normal. The baby passed meconium and urine. Baby's length was measured to be 52 centimeters, weight was 3.6kg and temperature was 36.8C.

In all, there was no abnormality detected. The baby was classified as normal and routine care of the baby initiated. Gloves were removed and disposed aseptically before washing hands with soap

under running water and dried with clean dry towel. The baby's skin was smeared with baby oil and wrapped. All findings were recorded.

3.7 SUMMARY OF LABOUR AND DELIVERY

DURATION OF LABOUR

1st stage	5 hours 15 minute
2nd stage	30 minutes
3rd stage	30 minutes
Total	6 hours 15minutes

CONDITION OF BABY AT BIRTH

Temperature	36.8degree Celsius
Apex beat	130beats per minute
Respiration	40cycles per minute

The following measurements were recorded as;

Weight	3.6 kilograms
Head circumference	35centimetres
Length	52 centimeters

RECORD ON MOTHER

Date and time of delivery	26 th November, 2022 at 1:30pm
Mode of delivery	Spontaneous vaginal delivery

Temperature	36.2 °C
Perineum	Intact
Pulse	105 beat per minute
Blood pressure	113/71 mmHg
Fundus	17 cm
Lochia	Rubra
Odour of Lochia	Non – offensive

CONDITION OF PLACENTA AND MEMBRANES

Placenta delivered	1:35pm
Lobes and membranes	Complete
Maternal surface	Normal
Foetal surface	Normal

CONDITION OF BABY AT BIRTH

Abnormalities	None
Condition of baby	Satisfactory
Apgar score at First	8/10
Apgar score at fifth minute	9/10
Sex of baby	female

Meconium Passed

Urine Passed

Within few minutes after birth, baby passed urine and meconium.

The general condition of the baby was satisfactory.

3.8 CARE PLAN DURING LABOUR

PROBLEMS IDENTIFIED DURING LABOUR

26/11/22

1. Anxiety
2. Lower abdominal pain
3. Feeling restless
4. Waist pain
5. Excessive sweating.

3.8 SHORT TERM OBJECTIVES

Client will be relieved of anxiety with 1 hour and throughout her labour.

Client will understand and cope with lower abdominal pains within 1 hour and throughout her labour.

Client will be relieved of restlessness within 2 hours and to the end of labour.

Client will be relieved of waist pain within 1 hour and throughout labour.

Client will be relieved from excessive sweating within 1hour and throughout labour.

3.9 LONG TERM OBJECTIVES

Madam Amadu will go through all the stages of labour successfully without any complications to her and the baby.

CARE PLAN DURING LABOUR

DATE/ TIME	NURSING DIGNOSIS	NURSING OBJECTIVES/ OUTCOME CRITERIA	NURSING ORDERS	NURSING INTERVENTION	DATE/ TIME	EVALUATION	SIGN
26/11/22 6:am	Anxiety related to unknown outcome of labour	Client will be relieved of anxiety within 45 minute and throughout her labour as evidenced by; 1. Client verbalizing she is relieved of anxiety. 2. Midwife observing client cheerful facial expression.	1. Reassure client that labour will end safely. 2. Explain every procedure to be carried on client. 3. Allow her to ask questions and answer tactfully 4.Update client with progress of labour 5. Encourage deep breathing exercise.	1. Client was reassured that labour will end safely. 2. Each procedure to be carried out on her was explain to her. 3. Client asked questions and answers were given tactfully. 4.Client was updated about progress of labour 5. Client was encouraged to do deep breathing exercise.	26/11/22 6:45am	Goal was fully met as 1.client's verbalizing anxiety was allayed and evidenced by her relaxed facial expression and verbalizing; she is relieved of anxiety. 2.midwife observing client having cheerful facial expression.	O.A.P

CARE PLAN DURING LABOUR CONTINUED

DATE/ TIME	NURSING DIGNOSIS	NURSING OBJECTIVES/ OUTCOME CRITERIA	NURSING ORDERS	NURSING INTERVENTION	DATE/ TIME	EVALUATION	SIGN
26/11/22 6:am	Lower abdominal pain related to uterine contractions of labour	Client will understand and cope with lower abdominal pains within 1 hour and throughout her labour as evidenced by; 1. Client verbalizing she is coping with pain. 2. Midwife visualizing client cooperation during labour	1. Reassure client 2. Explain the physiology of pain. 3. Encourage client to do deep breathing exercise in between contractions. 4. Perform sacral massage. 5. Engage client in conversation.	1. Client was reassured 2. Physiology of pain was explained to client that due to uterine contractions of labour. 3. Deep breathing exercises were performed. 4. Sacral massage was given to client when there were contractions 5. Client was engaged in conversation during labour.	26/11/2022 7:00am	Goals fully met as 1. Midwife observed client cooperated during labour. 2. Client verbalizing she is relieve from abdominal pain.	O.A.P

CARE PLAN DURING LABOUR CONTINUED

DATE/ TIME	NURSING DIGNOSIS	NURSING OBJECTIVES/ OUTCOME CRITERIA	NURSING ORDERS	NURSING INTERVENTION	DATE/ TIME	EVALUATION	SIGN
26/11/2022 6:00am	Waist pain related to descent of the foetal head	Client will be relieved of waist pain within 1 hour and throughout labour as evidenced by; a. Client verbalizing that she is relieved from waist pain b. Midwife observing client's facial expression.	1. Reassure client 2.Allow client to assume a comfortable position but harmless. 3. Give sacral massage. 4. Explain the physiology of waist pain. 5. Encourage deep breathing exercise	1. Client was reassured that she would be relieved of waist pain. 2.Client was encouraged to assume harmless position such as left lateral position. 3. Sacral massage was given to client to relieve her of pain. 4. Physiology of waist pain was explained to client. 5. Madam Vivian deep breathing exercises was encouraged and performed	26/11/22 7:00am	Goal fully met as evidenced by 1.client verbalizing that she is relieved from her waist pain and 2.midwife observing client's cheerful facial expression.	O.A.P

CARE PLAN DURING LABOUR CONTINUED

DATE/ TIME	NURSING DIGNOSIS	NURSING OBJECTIVES/ OUTCOME CRITERIA	NURSING ORDERS	NURSING INTERVENTION	DATE/ TIME	EVALUATION	SIGN
26/11/22 10:am	Restlessness related to stress of labour.	Client will be relieved of restlessness within 2 hours and to the end of labour as evidenced by; a. Client verbalizing that she is been relieve now. b. midwife observing that client was feeling relieve and was comfortable	1. Reassure client 2. Encourage client to do deep breathing exercise. 3. Clean face and body of client with wet towel. 4. Provide fresh air to client by putting on fan. 5. Encourage client to take in sips of water	1. Client was reassured of competent care to promote comfort. 2. Client continued deep breathing exercise. 3. Client face and body were cleaned with wet towel. 4. Client was provided with fresh air by putting fans. 5. Client was encouraged to take in sips of water.	26/11/22 12:00pm	Goals met as the 1. Midwife observed that client is been relieved and feeling comfortable. 2. Client verbalizing that she is been relieved now.	O.A.P

<p>26/11/22 At 10:00am</p>	<p>Excessive sweating related to stress of labour.</p>	<p>Client will be relieve from excessive sweating within 1 hour and to the end of labour as evidence by; 1.Client verbalizing she is been relieved now. 2.Midwife observing client was not sweating and was comfortable.</p>	<p>1.Reassure client. 2.Clean client face and body with wet towel. 3.Provide fresh air to client by putting on fan. 4.Encourage client to take in sips of water.</p>	<p>1.Client was reassured 2.Client face and body was clean with wet towel. 3.Fresh air was provided to client in addition of fan. 4.Client was encourage to sips water.</p>	<p>26/11/22 At 11:00am</p>	<p>Goal fully met as evidence by ; 1.client verbalizing she is been relieve now. 2.midwife observing client free from sweating and was comfortable.</p>	<p>O.A.P</p>
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CHAPTER FOUR

PUERPERIUM

4.0 INTRODUCTION

This chapter consists of the care given to the mother and the baby from the day of delivery till the six weeks postnatal visit.

4.1 DAY OF DELIVERY

Madam Vivian and baby were sent to the lying-in after 1hour 40mins of close observation when her condition was satisfactory. She and her baby were made comfortable in bed. She was encouraged to put the baby to breast to promote bonding between them and also stimulate uterine contractions to aid involution of the uterus and also promote warmth as that will enhance uterine contraction and prevent haemorrhage. She was also encouraged to empty the bladder.

An opportunity was taken to educate her on exclusive breastfeeding for the first six months, emptying of one breast before the other and the need to feed the baby frequently at least 8 to 12 times a day, as well as how to fix the baby to breast. She was also educated to keep the baby warm to prevent hypothermia, and educated to change the baby's soiled napkins frequently to prevent nappy rash and to make the baby comfortable. She was encouraged to wash her hands with soap under running water after visiting the lavatory, changing her perinea pad, removing the baby's soiled napkins and also before and after touching the baby. It was explained to her the need to change her perineal pad frequently. Madam Vivian took fufu and light soup for supper. Her vital signs were checked and recorded as follows;

Temperature	36.1°C
Pulse rate	80bpm

Respiratory rate 25cpm

Blood pressure 100/60mmHg

The symphysis fundal height was measured to be 17centimeters. Lochia was also inspected and it was red (rubra) in colour and small in amount with no bad odour. The baby was examined from head to toe and no abnormality was detected. The client's relatives were asked to excuse mother and baby so that they could have some rest and possibly sleep.

She was then informed of possible discharge on the next day which is on 27th November,2022 at 9:00am.

4.2 SUBSEQUENT CARE OF THE BABY

At 6pm, (5hours 25min) after birth, Madam Vivian was informed about the need for baby bath and general examination of the baby and she responded positively. Head to toe examination was done and no abnormality detected and all findings were communicated to her.

BABY'S FIRST BATH

REQUIREMENTS

1. Soap
2. Sponge
3. Cream / powder
4. Sterile cotton in a gallipot or wrapped
5. Basin
6. Towels: 1 big towel and 3 small ones
7. Cot sheets 2
8. Apron

9. Gloves
10. A clean baby dress, cap and socks (if available)
11. Mackintosh
12. 2 jugs containing hot and cold water each
13. Two receptacles for used water and dirty linen
14. A receiver for used swab

Procedure

All windows and doors were closed, fans switched off and lights switched on to make the room warm. Procedure was explained to Madam Vivian and was thanked for accepting. After gathering all items, the hot and cold water were mixed and temperature was tested with the elbow. Plastic apron was then worn, hands were washed with soap and under running water and dried with a clean towel. Sterile gloves were worn and the baby was positioned on a protected flat surface, she was undressed and covered with the towel leaving the face. The general condition was observed and the baby had a pink skin colour covered with vernix caseosa. Baby's eyes were cleaned with cotton wool swab soaked in clean water from the inner canthus out and then the face was cleaned with damp face towel and dried. The baby's neck was supported with the hand, the ears were plugged with the thumb and middle finger to prevent water from entering the ears. The hair was washed with soap and sponge in a circular manner, rinse, dried and covered with clean cap. The baby was placed back on the working surface and exposed arms and front of the trunk was washed to the feet paying attention to the skin folds then turned to the back and with one arm supporting the chest and the back, it was washed down to the feet paying attention to the skin folds. Baby's body was immersed in a bath of warm water, with the head supported above the water and the body rinsed thoroughly. The baby was then placed on a cleaned cot sheet and a small cleaned dried

towel was used to dry the body paying attention to the skin folds. Baby oil was applied on the skin and baby was dressed leaving the umbilical cord exposed for dressing and the hair combed neatly. Gloved hands were dipped into 0.5 percent chlorine solution and was removed and discarded, hands were washed dried with clean towel. Mother was encouraged to observe bathing and dressing of the cord. She was educated to clean the cord as well as observed at home.

Cord Dressing

The cord was dressed by wrapping the baby in a towel to keep her warm. Mother was asked to protect her on the table. The tray containing six dry cotton wool swabs in a gallipot containing antiseptic solution which was methylated spirit and a receiver for the used swabs was already set. Hands were thoroughly washed again with soap and under running water and dried in a clean towel. Sterile gloves were worn and cord was exposed. The cord was inspected for bleeding but there was none. The tip of the cord was held with one swab in the non-dominant hand. The base of the cord was cleaned with another cotton wool swab and was discarded. The whole cord was cleaned using five of the cotton wool swabs from the base upwards. One cotton wool swab was used to clean the posterior part of the cord. The tip of the cord was dried with the swab that was used to hold it. The cord was left expose to air dry. Baby was dressed nicely, wrapped and given to mother to breastfeed. Gloves were removed and discarded. Hands were washed with soap and water before handling the baby. Observations were made and the findings were communicated to the mother and documented as follows:

Head circumference	-	35centimeters
Length	-	52centimeters
Weight	-	3.6kilograms

Stool colour - Greenish
Apex beat - 130 beats per minute
Temperature - 36.8 degree Celsius
Respiration - 40 cycles per minute

Baby's condition was good.

At 5:00pm mother and baby were seen to find out how they were faring, they were in good condition. They were both examined and their vitals were checked since they were not going to be discharged;

Temperature 36.4 degree Celsius
Pulse - 82 beats per minute
Respiration - 22 cycles per minute
Blood pressure - 110/70 millimeters of mercury.

Observations were made on the baby and findings were communicated to her mother as;

Temperature - 36.3 degree Celsius
Respiration - 40 cycles per minute
Pulse - 134 beats per minute
Weight - 3.6kg

FIRST DAY POST DELIVERY (DAY OF DISCHARGE ,ON THE 27TH NOVEMBER,2022)

On the 27th November ,2022,which was the first day post-delivery, madam Vivian Ankomah woke up around 7:30am,emptied her bladder ,cleaned her teeth after which she was given warm

water to bath. She complains of, [1.] after pain and [2.] insomnia. She was told that the pain was as a result of involution of the uterus and was also educated and taught how to adapt a proper position during breastfeeding. She made herself comfortable in a white dress and all procedure to be carried out on her and the baby. Her vital signs were checked and recorded as follows;

- Temperature - 36.6 degree Celsius
- Pulse - 82 beats per minute
- Respiration - 20 cycles per minute
- Blood pressure - 110/60 millimeters of mercury.

Mother was seen touching the fontanelles and she was educated not to apply hot compress on baby's head with the intention of closing the fontanelles that was explained to her that the fontanelles close naturally. Madam Vivian was taught how to position herself when breastfeeding and put the baby to breast. Baby was also examined with permission from the mother after hand washing was done with soap and under running water and dried with clean towel. A thorough head to toe examination was performed on the baby again but no abnormality was detected. The cord was inspected for bleeding, odour and discharge but there was none. The baby was top and tailed with the cord dressed with methylated spirit. The baby was dressed nicely and wrapped in a clean warm sheet. Baby's vital signs and other observations were made and recorded as follows;

- Temperature - 36.1 degree Celsius.
- Pulse - 132 beats per minute.
- Respiration - 40 cycles per minute.
- Weight - 3.6 kilograms.
- Stool Colour - Greenish.

The baby was given the first immunization Bacilli Calmette Guerin (BCG) 0.05millimeters vaccine intra dermal on the right upper arm for protection against tuberculosis. Client was educated that she should not apply anything on the injection site or massage it. She was told that there could be a tissue reaction over the area, a scar formation later indicating that the child had been immunized against tuberculosis effectively then Polio vaccine 2 drops at the back of the tongue was also given orally to protect the baby against polio myelitis. Vitamin K giving to prevent bleeding. Chloramphenicol eye drop given to prevent infections. Client was educated to continue with baby's immunization schedule at the clinic. This would help prevent baby contracting any of the childhood preventable diseases. Client was also told to register the baby at the birth and death unit and complete all the immunization schedules.

Mother was educated on personal hygiene, postnatal exercise, keeping the baby's cord clean, dry and avoid the application of unprescribed medication on it, change baby's diapers or napkins frequently when soiled and wash and dry in the sun, take in nutritious diet and fruits which are available, provision of warmth to the baby and prevention of infection by changing her perinea pad whenever it was soiled and also she was educated on exclusive breastfeeding and the need to feed on demand and at night which will serve as family planning as well as aiding in involution. Client was informed about her discharge. She was encouraged to sleep under treated mosquito net together with the baby to prevent malaria. Her belongings were packed, and her health insurance card was used to settle her bills. Prescribed drugs were given as below;

Iron III polymaltose complex capsule (daily) for 30 days

Amoxycillin capsule 500mg (three times daily) for 7 days

Metronidazole tablet 400mg (three times daily) for 7 days

Paracetamol tablet 1g (three times daily) for 5days

The dosage and time for taking the drugs were explained to her. Madam Vivian was also told that she would be visited for one week to check on her condition and that of the baby and continued with their care. She was discharged home at 10:00am and was escorted with her items to the entrance of the clinic. On 6th December 2022 was scheduled as date for one-week visit. They were reminded of the visit to their house.

4.4 FIRST POST NATAL HOME VISIT (FIRST DAY POST DELIVERY)

Madam Vivian was visited in her home in the morning at 6:00am and 6:00pm in the evening as scheduled that is on the 28th November, 2022. On arrival, greetings were exchanged with a warm welcome. She was neatly dressed and had already set the place for the baby to be bath; the baby was then topped and tailed. It was explained to her that physical examination will be done on her and the baby, dress the baby's cord and also check her vitals. The cord was dressed with cotton wool swabs soaked in methylated spirit.

Mother was also examined from head to toe and there were no abnormal changes. Her general condition was good, breast has started lactating but not so well, abdomen was soft, uterus well contracted and the fundal height measured 16cm. The perineum was inspected and was found to be cleaned; lochia was red (rubra) with moderate amount of flow. Her vital signs were taken and recorded as;

VITALS	MORNING	EVENING
Temperature	: 36.4 degree Celsius	36.7 degree Celsius
Pulse	: 78beat per minutes	78beat per minute

Respiration	:	20cycle per minutes	20cycle per minutes
Blood pressure	:	110/70 millimeters of mercury	115/70 millimeters of mercury
Symphysio fundal height	:	16 cm	16 cm

Baby was not jaundiced or pale and was able to suckle well. Baby's vital signs was taken and recorded as follows;

VITALS		MORNING	EVENING
Temperature	:	36.8degree Celsius,	36.7 degree Celsius
Pulse	:	134 beats per minute,	135 beat per minute
Respiration	:	42 cycles per minute.	42 cycle per minute
Baby's weight	:	3.5 kilograms	3.6 Kilograms
Stool Colour	:	Greenish	Greenish

Madam Vivian was encouraged to breastfeed the baby on demand. A promise was made to visit them again the following day and client said good bye and the family were bidding farewell.

4.5 SECOND POST-NATAL HOME VISIT.

On 29th November, 2022, the second visit was made to Madam Vivian's house at 7:30am in the morning and 6:00pm in the evening as scheduled. Madam Vivian said she has been relieved of the pains and now she can sleep for at least 4hours. Baby was also doing well. The family was pleased ,She then complains of ;[1.]breast engorgement ,[2] rash on the baby's skin and [3.] frequency micturition. She was reassured and encouraged to adopt a good posture when breastfeeding the baby. Permission was sought from Madam Vivian to inspect her perinea pad and

perineal area, per observation, her perineum was clean and the lochia was red (rubra), not offensive and the flow was moderate. She was asked to empty her bladder before the examination. She emptied her bladder and the head-to-toe examination was carried out and everything was normal. The breasts were firm and well lactating. Uterus was firm and symphysio fundal height measured 15cm. General examination was carried out on the baby from head to toe and no abnormality was revealed. Baby was topped and tailed. The cord was neatly dressed and it was dry with no sign of infection. The baby passed stools and urine. Observations were made on mother and baby and they were recorded as follows

Observation on Mother

VITALS	MORNING	EVENING
Temperature	36.2 degree Celsius	36.5 degree Celsius
Pulse	78 bpm	78 bpm
Respiration	20 cpm	20cpm
Blood pressure	110/60 mmHg	115/70mmHg
Lochia	Rubra	Rubra
Fundal height	15cm	15 cm
Condition of the uterus	Contracted	contracted
Breast	Lactating	contracted

Observation on Baby

VITALS	MORNING	EVENING
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Temperature	36.1 degree Celsius	36.2 degree Celsius
Apex beat	134 bpm	134 bpm
Respiration	42 cpm	42 cpm
Cord	No bleeding	no bleeding
Skin Colour	Pink	Pink
Suckling	Yes	Yes
Weight	3.4 kg	Yes
Stool Colour	Greenish	Greenish

Baby was wrapped in warm sheet. She was handed over to the mother to breastfeed. Madam Vivian was thanked for her cooperation and permission was sought to leave, which was granted.

In the evening ,family members were in good health on arrival at 5:00pm, greetings were exchanged and a seat was offered. She was asked about her health and that of the baby of which she responded they were fine. The family was very cooperative which created a relaxed and lovely environment. Examination was done on the mother and baby and no abnormality was detected. Baby was wrapped in warm sheet and handed over to the mother to be breastfed. Madam Vivian was thanked for her cooperation and permission was sought to leave, of which she granted and said she was very grateful and appreciated the care that was given to them.

4.6 THIRD POST-NATAL HOME VISIT.

On the 30th November, 2022, the third home visit was made to Madam Vivian house at 7:30am in the morning and 6:00pm in the evening. Mother and baby were doing well. She also said that she has been relieved of backache. Permission was sought to inspect Madam vivian perineal pad and

the lochia was red(rubra) without offensive odour. Head to toe examination was also done. Madam Vivian complained of fullness in the breast and rashes on baby's skin and she cries a lot. She was educated to continue breastfeeding the baby, apply cold compress on the breast to reduce the pain and also ensure that one breast was empty before the other one was given to the baby. She was reassured and encouraged to change baby's napkin before she sleeps and also educated to dress baby according to weather and use dusting powder on the baby's skin. Symphysio fundal height was measured 14cm. The baby was top and tailed, assessed and general condition was good and no abnormality was present. The cord was neatly dressed and was dry without bad odour. The baby also passed greenish yellow stools and urine. Observations made on mother and baby are as follows;

Observation On Mother

VITALS	MORNING	EVENING
Temperature	36.6 degree Celsius	36.6 degree celsius
Pulse	80 bpm	80 bpm
Respiration	20 cpm	20 cpm
Blood Pressure	100/70 mmHg	100/70 mmHg
Lochia	Rubra	Rubra
Fundal height	14 cm	14 cm
Condition of the uterus	Contracted	Contracted
Breast	Lactating	Lactating

Observation on Baby

VITALS	MORNING	EVENING
Temperature	36.5 degree Celsius	36.5 degree Celsius
Apex beat	140 bpm	141 bpm
Respiration	42 cpm	42 cpm
Skin colour	Pink	Pink
Cord	Clean	Clean
Suckling	Yes	Yes
Weight	3.3 kg	3.6 kg
Stool colour	Greenish	Greenish

At 5:00pm in the evening, both mother and baby were visited. Nothing abnormal was detected during the examination. She was reminded on exclusive breastfeeding and on demand, maintenance of personal hygiene, eating of fruits and highly nutritious diet and warm saline sit-bath on each visit. Again, permission was sought to leave from Madam Vivian of which it was granted. She was thanked and a bid was made.

4.7 FOURTH DAY POST-NATAL HOME VISIT

Madam Vivian and her baby were visited again on 1st December, 2022 in the morning at 7:00am to continue with the postnatal care. She and her baby were physically examined and nothing abnormal was detected. Lochia was rubra on inspection with no odour. She also added that fullness of breast has reduced so therefore breasts were lactating and baby's skin rashes is gone. Head to

toe examination was done and everything was normal. Symphysio fundal height measured 13cm. Baby had been bathed by client's mother on arrival so the general examination was carried out. No abnormality was found. The cord was neatly dressed and has shrined with no abnormality detected. The baby passed dark yellow stools and urine. Observations made and recorded as follows;

Observation On Mother

Observation	Morning
Temperature	36.7
Pulse	80 bpm
Respiration	23 cpm
Blood Pressure	110/60mmhg
Lochia	Rubra
Fundal height	13cm
Condition of the uterus	Contracted
Breast	Lactating

Observation on the Baby

Observation	Morning
Temperature	36.8Oc
Apex beat	133bpm

Respiration	45cpm
Weight	3.3 kg
Cord	Dry
Sucking	Yes
Stool colour	Yellowish

Permission was sought to leave and client was very grateful and appreciated the care that was given to them.

4.8 FIFTH POST-NATAL HOME VISIT.

On the fifth postnatal visit which was on 2nd , December 2022 at 7:00am to continue with the post-natal care. Mother and baby were both in a healthy condition. Inspection of the lochia was done and the colour was serosa (pink) with symphysis fundal height measured 12cm. After the head-to-toe examination, no abnormality was detected. Client's vital signs were checked and recorded as follows:

Observation On Mother

Observation	Morning
Temperature	36.5
Pulse	87 bpm
Respiration	22 cpm
Blood pressure	100/70mmHg
Lochia	Serosa

Fundal height	12cm
Condition of the uterus	contracted
Breast	Lactating

Head to toe examination was done and no abnormality was found on the baby. During the examination, it was realized that the cord had fallen off. Baby was bathed. The baby urinated and passed yellowish stool and was cleaned immediately. Vital signs and other observations were taken and recorded as follows:

Observation on Baby

Observation	Morning
Temperature	36.8
Apex beat	125 bpm
Respiration	42cpm
Weight	3.4 kg
Cord	Off/ clean
Suckling	Yes
Stool colour	Yellowish

Madam Vivian was reminded of the next visit and she said she was very grateful. Permission was sought and she was thanked for her cooperation.

4.9 SIXTH POST-NATAL HOME VISIT.

The 6th day postnatal home visit was made on 3rd December, 2022 at 7:30am. Greetings were exchanged with client and her family and a seat was offered in client's room. Mother and baby were both in a healthy condition. Symphysis fundal height measured 11cm. Inspection of the lochia was done and the colour was serosa (pink) with odour indicating infection due to poor personal hygiene. She was educated to keep her perineum clean and change pad frequently to prevent infection and educated on family planning. After head-to-toe examination, no abnormality was detected.

Vital signs and other observations were made and recorded as follows:

Observation on Mother

Observation	Morning
Temperature	36.8
Respiration	20 cpm
Pulse	90 bpm
Blood pressure	110/70mmHg
Breast	Yes
Lochia	Serosa
Symphysis fundal height	11cm

Baby was bathed because the cord has falling off. Head to toe examination was done and no abnormality was found on the baby. The stump was then dressed with cotton wool swab and the

area was cleaned and kept dry. Stool was yellowish in colour. Baby looked healthy and active. Baby's vital signs and other observations were taken and recorded as follows:

Observation on Baby

Observation	Morning
Temperature	36.7
Apex beat	145 bpm
Respiration	40cpm
Weight	3.5 kg
Cord	Off/ Clean
Stool Colour	Yellowish

Madam Vivian was encouraged to continue exclusive breastfeeding. She was thanked for her cooperation and time. She was remembered on the one-week visit, we interacted for a while and permission was sought to leave.

4.10 SEVENTH POST-NATAL HOME VISIT.

The 7th day postnatal was made on 4th December, 2022, Madam Vivian and baby was visited as usual in the morning at 7:30am. Mother and baby were in a healthy condition and client said the baby's crying had minimized. Inspection of lochia was done and the colour was serosa (pink), flow was scanty without any bad odour. Symphysis fundal height measured 10cm. After the head-to-toe examination, no abnormality was detected. Mother and baby's vital signs were as follows;

Observation on Mother

Observation	Morning
Temperature	36.4°C
Respiration	23 cpm
Pulse	78 bpm
Blood pressure	110/60 mmHg
Symphysio fundal height	10cm

Baby's Observation Morning

Temperature	36.5°C
Apex beat	130 bpm
Respiration	42cpm
Weight	3.6 kg
Cord	clean
Stool Colour	Yellowish

She was encouraged to continue adhering to all the advices and encouragement given to her especially on nutrition, exercise, rest and sleep and maintaining good personal and environmental health. Madam Vivian was also encouraged to take good care of the baby and breastfeed exclusively. Client was also reminded to register the baby at the birth and death unit and complete all the immunization schedules.

4.11 FIRST POSTNATAL VISIT TO THE CLINIC

Madam Vivian and her baby reported at the clinic on 5th December, 2022 at 9:00am accompanied by her mother. Mother and baby looked healthy and cheerful. They were welcomed to the postnatal site and a seat was offered to them to listen to a health talk on immunization against the preventable childhood disease, exclusive breastfeeding and family planning. After the talk, client and baby were taken to the examination room to be examined. With permission from mother, baby was undressed and wrapped in a clean cot sheet and was put on a flat surface in the presence of the mother. Procedure was explained to Madam Vivian and hands were washed and dried. The fontanelles and sutures were examined for any bulging fontanelles or widening sutures but there were none. The eyes, nose and ears were examined and no abnormality was detected. The abdomen was soft, not distended, and the umbilical cord was completely healed. The extremities and the back were also examined and there was no abnormality.

Baby's weight was 3.8 kg and her vital signs checked and recorded were as follows:

Temperature	-	36.7°C
Apex beat	-	134bpm
Respiratory rate	-	42cpm
Stool Colour	-	Yellowish

All findings were communicated to mother and recorded. Mother claimed the baby has good bowel movement and breastfeeds well. Madam Vivian was also examined and was asked to empty her bladder for physical examination after the procedure has been explained to her. She was assisted onto the examination couch and privacy was provided. Symphysis fundal height was 10cm. Hands were washed and dried. Her vital signs checked and recorded as;

Temperature	-	36.5°C
Pulse rate	-	84bpm
Respiration	-	20cpm
Blood pressure	-	100/70 mmHg

On inspection, client's hair was clean and nicely plaited her conjunctiva and sclera was without any pallor. The nose, mouth and ears were clean without any discharges. The breast was heavy, soft and lactating well with healthy nipples. The upper and lower extremities were without oedema and her back was normal. The lochia was scanty and creamy white. She was helped out of the examination couch after the examination. Findings were communicated to her and documented. Madam Vivian was advised to maintain good personal and environmental hygiene in the care of herself and the baby. Madam Vivian was again educated on her nutrition and was asked to eat foods that are rich in proteins and vitamins, she was encouraged to continue with exercise and have adequate rest and sleep. Madam Vivian was encouraged to register her baby at the birth and death registry since there was none at the health center. Client was reminded of the six weeks postnatal visit to the clinic. Gratitude and thanks were expressed to Madam Vivian and the entire family for their support and cooperation throughout the writing of the care study. She was finally handed over to the midwife in-charge to continue with the care.

4.12 SECOND POSTNATAL VISIT TO THE CLINIC

According to the midwife in-charge, Madam Vivian six weeks postnatal visit was on 10th January, 2023 At 9:00am. She came to the facility with her husband. Head to toe examination was done on Madam Vivian and nothing abnormal was present. Her vital signs, including the weight was checked and recorded as follows;

Temperature	-	36.5
Pulse	-	80 bpm
Respiration	-	20cpm
Blood pressure	-	110/60 mmHg
Weight	-	67kg

Madam Vivian urine was checked for protein and sugar and it was negative for both, and the Haemoglobin was 12.0g/dl. Her fundus was not palpable and no lochia observed. The baby was examined from head to toe and no abnormality was found. The following immunizations were given to the baby;

Vaccine	Dosage	Route of Administration
Polio 1	2 drops	Oral
Rotarix	2 drops	Oral
Penta	0.5 millimeters	intramuscularly on right thigh

Baby's vital signs and other observations were checked and recorded as:

Temperature	-	36.2degree Celsius
Respiration	-	30cpm
Pulse	-	142bpm
Weight	-	5.2kg

Mother was encouraged to practice exclusive breastfeeding for 6 months to inhibit ovulation and prevent infection or any disease to the baby. Client was congratulated for taking good care of the baby as seen in the baby's weight gain. She also expressed her gratitude for all the support offered to them. She was also taken to the family planning unit and the child welfare clinic for immunization and continuity of care.

4.13NURSING CARE PLAN DURING PUERPERIUM

PROBLEMS IDENTIFIED

27th November, 2022

1. After pain
2. Insomnia

29th November 2022

3. Breast engorgement
4. Rash on baby's skin
5. Frequent micturition.

SHORT TERM OBJECTIVES

1. Madam Vivian will be relieved of afterpain within 72hours.
2. Client will have at least 4hours sleep within 72 hours.
3. Client breast engorgement will reduce within 72 hours.
4. Baby skin rashes will go within 72 hours.
5. Client will be free of frequent micturition within 72 hours.

LONG TERM OBJECTIVE

Mother and baby will pass through puerperium without any complications.

NURSING CARE PLAN ON PUERPERIUM

DATE/ TIME	NURSING DIGNOSIS	NURSING OBJECTIVES/ OUTCOME CRITERIA	NURSING ORDERS	NURSING INTERVENTION	DATE/ TIME	EVALUATION	SIGN
27/11/2022 at 7.00am	After pain related to involution of the uterus.	Client will be reduce of afterpain within 48hours as evidenced by 1.Client verbalizing she is relieved of the pain. 2.Midwife observing client cheerful facial expression.	1. Reassure client. 2. Explain the physiology of pain. 3.Educate client on postnatal exercises. 4. Encourage client to empty bladder frequently. 5. Serve prescribed analgesics.	1. Client was reassured. 2. The physiology of pain was explained to her. 3. Client was educated on postnatal exercises like Kegel exercise. 4. Client was encouraged to empty her bladder frequently. 5. Client was served with analgesics (Paracetamol 1g).	29/11/2022 at 7:00am	Goal fully met as 1. Client verbalized that she has been relieved of after pain. 2.Midwife observing client free from pain through her facial expression.	

NURSING CARE PLAN ON PUERPERIUM CONTINUED

DATE/ TIME	NURSING DIGNOSIS	NURSING OBJECTIVES/ OUTCOME CRITERIA	NURSING ORDERS	NURSING INTERVENTION	DATE/ TIME	EVALUATION	SIGN
27/11/2022 at 5:00pm	Insomnia related to baby's crying and feeding at night.	Client will have at least 6-8hours sleep at night within 24hours as evidenced by 1.client verbalizing that she can sleep. 2.Midwife observing client sleeping for 2hrs.	1. Reassure the client. 2. Encourage client to sleep when baby is asleep. 3. Encourage support person to help in household chores. 4. Encourage client to rest- during the day.	1. Client was reassured. 2. Client was encouraged to sleep when baby sleep. 3. Client's relative was encouraged to help her in the care of the baby for her to sleep during the day 4. Client was encouraged to rested during the day.	30/11/22 at 5:00pm	Goal achieved as client verbalized that she's able to sleep. 2.Midwife seeing client sleeping .	

NURSING CARE PLAN ON PUERPERIUM CONTINUED

DATE/ TIME	NURSING DIGNOSIS	NURSING OBJECTIVES/ OUTCOME CRITERIA	NURSING ORDERS	NURSING INTERVENTION	DATE/ TIME	EVALUATION	SIGN
29/11/22 at 4:30pm	Breast engorgement related to inadequate emptying of the breast.	Client's breast engorgement will be reduced within 24hours. as evidenced by 1.Client reporting that breast engorgement has reduced. 2.Midwife notice client is free from breast engorgement during breast examination.	1. Reassure client. 2. Teach client on how to fix baby correctly to the breast. 3. Encourage client to empty breast when not feeding. 4. Encourage client to continue breastfeeding the baby exclusively. 5. Encourage client to apply warm compress to the breast.	1. Client was reassured. 2. Client was taught how to fix baby correctly to the breast. 3. Client was encouraged to empty the breast. 4. Client was encouraged to continue breastfeeding the baby exclusively. 5. Client was encouraged to apply warm compress to the left -breast.	30/11/22 at 4:30pm	Goal fully met as client reported that breast engorgement has reduced 2. Midwife observing client breast engorgement is been reduce.	

NURSING CARE PLAN ON PUERPERIUM CONTINUED

DATE/ TIME	NURSING DIGNOSIS	NURSING OBJECTIVES/ OUTCOME CRITERIA	NURSING ORDERS	NURSING INTERVENTION	DATE/ TIME	EVALUATION	SIGN
29/11/22 at 7:00am	Skin rashes on baby related to excessive dressing of baby.	<p>Baby skin rashes will go within 72 hours as evidenced by</p> <p>1. client verbalizing that the baby skin rashes has been resolved.</p> <p>2. Midwife observing that baby- is having no rashes.</p>	<p>1. Reassure client.</p> <p>2. Educate client on the need to cloth baby according to the weather.</p> <p>3. Educate client not to scratch the rashes.</p> <p>4. Educate woman to use dusting powder.</p> <p>5. Encourage mother to open windows for good ventilation</p>	<p>1. Madam Amadu was reassured.</p> <p>2. Client dressed baby in warm cotton cloths and according to the weather changes.</p> <p>3. Mother was educated not to scratch the rashes as it would cause more pain and infection.</p> <p>4. Client was educated to use prescribed powder for the rashes example dusting Powder.</p> <p>5. Mother opened windows for good ventilation</p>	2/12/22 7:00am	<p>Goal met as Madam Vivian informed the midwife that baby's skin rashes has resolved.</p> <p>2. Midwife observed that baby has no skin rashes.</p>	

<p>29/11/2022</p> <p>At 7:00am</p>	<p>Frequent micturition related to physiological changes that occur during puerperium that is reversal of hemodilation.</p>	<p>Client will be able to cope with frequent micturition within 2 hours as evidence by;</p> <p>1.Client verbalizing that her normal bladder function has resumed.</p> <p>2.Midwife noticing that client is no longer complaining.</p>	<p>1.Reassure client that her condition is temporal.</p> <p>2.Explain the physiology of frequency micturition to client.</p> <p>3.Encourage client to put a bedpan closer to her bed at night.</p> <p>4.Encourage client to bend forward when urinating so that the bladder will be empty.</p> <p>5.Educate client to minimize the intake of water at night.</p>	<p>1.Client was assured that she will be relief after the blood becomes thicker.</p> <p>2.Client was informed about the physiology of frequency micturition .</p> <p>3.Client was encourage to put bedpan closer to her bed at night.</p> <p>4.Client was encourage to bend forward when urinating so that the bladder will be empty.</p> <p>5.Client was educated to minimize the intake of water at night.</p>	<p>29/12/2022</p> <p>At 9:00am</p>	<p>Goal fully met as evidence by;</p> <p>1.Client verbalizing that she is able to cope with frequency of micturition.</p> <p>2.Midwife noticing that client no longer complaining.</p>
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S U M M A R Y A N D C O N C L U S I O N

This script is a Family Centered Maternity Care, given to Vivian Ankomah, a 28 years old woman gravida 2 Para 1. She hails from Wamanafo within the Dormaa East District in the Bono Region. She was met at Rachel's Health Center on 26th November, 2022 when she was 36weeks pregnant. Various observations, examinations and Laboratory investigations were carried out to aid in her care. Client went through pregnancy with some minor disorders which were managed successfully.

Madam Vivian labour and delivery were managed carefully without any complications. She delivered spontaneously to an alive female infant with birth weight 3.6 kg on the 26th November, 2022 at 1:30pm who cried immediately after birth. Madam Vivian puerperium was successful. Breast problem, sub-involution, puerperal psychosis and cord infection were not noticed. Education on good nutrition, personal hygiene, exclusive breastfeeding and family planning were given to ensure a comprehensive care to client and her baby as well as her family as a whole. Mother and baby were visited at home and finally handed over to the Community Health Nurse for further management on 10th January,2022.

The Family Centered Maternity Care has afforded the opportunity to identify the various needs of the expectant woman during pregnancy, labour and puerperium.

The knowledge and experience acquired will be translated to other expectant mothers, their families and the community members during the practice as a midwife.

In conclusion, the client/family centered maternity care study has exposed the writer to situation where the knowledge received in the classroom has practically been demonstrated on the client and family from pregnancy to puerperium. This has also enhanced the ability to perform them and

render them to any pregnant woman in the course of practice wherever to help reduce maternal and infant morbidity.

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APPENDIX I

COMPLETE DIAGNOSTIC INVESTIGATION

DATE	SPECIMEN	INVESTIGATION	NORMAL VALUES	FINDINGS	REMARKS
3/06/2022	Blood	Haemoglobin	11.0-16g/dl		Normal
		Blood group	A, B, AB, O	A	Normal
		Rhesus factor	Positive/Negative	positive	Normal
		Sickling	Negative	Negative	Normal
		HIV status	Negative	Negative	Normal
		HBsAg	Negative	Negative	Normal
		VDRL	Negative	Negative	Normal
	urine	Protein	Negative	Negative	Normal
	Glucose	Negative	Negative	Normal	
3/06/2022	Urine	Protein	Negative	Negative	Normal
		Glucose	Negative	Negative	Normal
	Blood	Haemoglobin	11.0-16g/dl	-	
2/7/2022	Blood	Haemoglobin	11.0-16g/dl	11.2g/dl	Normal
	Urine	Protein	Negative	Negative	Normal
		Glucose	Negative	Negative	Normal
2/7/2022	Urine	Protein	Negative	Trace	
		Glucose	Negative	Negative	Normal
	Blood	Hemoglobin	11.0-16g/dl	-	

(COMPLETE DIAGNOSTIC INVESTIGATION)

DATE	SPECIMEN	INVESTIGATION	NORMAL VALUES	FINDINGS	REMARKS
1/08/2022	Urine	Protein	Negative	Negative	Normal
		Glucose	Negative	Negative	Normal
	Blood	Haemoglobin	11.0-16g/dl	-	
3/09/2022	Urine	Protein	Negative	Negative	Normal
		Glucose	Negative	Negative	Normal
	Blood	Haemoglobin	11.0-16g/dl	12.0g/dl	Normal
3/10/2022	Urine	Protein	Negative	Negative	Normal
		Glucose	Negative	Negative	Normal
9/10/2022	Urine	Protein	Negative	Negative	Normal
		Glucose	Negative	Negative	Normal
	Blood	HIV Status	Negative	Negative	Normal
9/10/2022	Urine	Protein	Negative	Negative	Normal
		Glucose	Negative	Negative	Normal
27/10/2022	Urine	Protein	Negative	Negative	Normal
		Glucose	Negative	Negative	Normal
3/12/22	Urine	Protein	Negative	Negative	Normal
		Glucose	Negative	Negative	Normal

APPENDIX11(PHARMACOLOGY OF DRUGS USED)

NAME OF DRUG	CLASSIFICATION	DOSAGE	ROUTE	ACTION AND USES	ACTUAL EFFECT	SIDE EFFECT	SIDE EFFECT EXPERIENCED
Caps iron (III) Polymaltose Complex	Haematinics	100 milligrams once daily	Orally	Aids in red blood cell formation	Increased haemoglobin level	Dark stools, diarrhoea and constipation	None observed
Folic acid	Vitamin preparation	5 milligram once daily	Orally	Proper formation and function of red blood cell	Haemoglobin level increased	Nausea and vomiting	None observed
Tetanus injection	Vaccine	0.5 milligram stat (3 rd dose)	Subcutaneously	Protection against tetanus	Tetanus was prevented	Fever and urticarial rash	None observed
Tablet Paracetamol	Analgesics	1 gram three times daily for three	Orally	Helps to relieve pain	Pain was relieved	Prolong use causes damage to the liver	None observed
Capsule vitamin A	Group A vitamin supplement	200,000 units	Orally	Growth development and proper sight	Normal vision and healthy skin	Vomiting	None observed
Injection oxytocin	Oxytocic drug	10 units	Intramuscularly	Stimulate uterine contractions	Good uterine contraction and control of bleeding	Nausea and vomiting	None observed

Tablet multivitamin	Vitamin preparation	200 milligrams daily	Orally	Increases appetite. Help in the formation of red blood cell	Increases appetite	Gastrointestinal disturbance	Constipation
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PHAMARCOLOGY OF DRUGS FOR THE BABY

NAME OF DRUG	CLASSIFI-CATION	DOSAGE	ROUTE	ACTION/ USES	ACTUAL EFFECT	SIDE EFFECT	SIDE EFFECT EXPERIENCED
Vitamin K	Coagulant	1milligram	Intramuscular	Production of prothrombin	No bleeding	None	None
Gentamycin eye drop	Prophylaxis antibiotic	2-3 drops	Instillation	Prevents eye infection	Infection was prevented	Nephroxicity	None
Polio vaccine	Antigen	2 drops	Orally	Production of antibodies against poliomyelitis	Diarrhoea and fever may occur.	None	None
Injection Bacillus Chalmette Guerin (BGC)	Antigen	0.05 Milligram	Intradermal	Vaccinates neonates against tuberculosis	Tuberculosis prevention	Blister formation	None
Pneumococcal	Antigen	0.5 milligram	Intramuscularly	Vaccinates neonates against pneumonia	Pneumonia prevention	Redness at the side of injection and fever	None observed
5 in 1 vaccine (Pentavalent)	Antigen	0.5 milligram	Intramuscularly	Vaccinates neonates against diphtheria, pertussis (whooping` cough), tetanus, hepatitis B,	Prevention of childhood preventable diseases	Low grade fever	None

				haemophilus influenza type B			
Rota virus	Antigen	1.5 milligrams (2 drops)	Orally	Prevention of gastroenteritis	Gastroenterit is prevention	None	None

APPENDIX III

ANTENATAL CHART

Date	Weight	Blood Pressure (mmHg)	Urine (protein and sugar)	Haemoglobin level (g/dl)	Gestational age (weeks)	Fundal height (cm)	Presentation	Descent (th)	Foetal heart rate (bpm)	Complains	Treatment and advice
3/06/2022	71	111/69	Negative Negative	12.4	17	11	-	-	-	No complains	Tablet folic acid, multivitamin, Fersolate, Advise on good nutrition, insecticide treated net given.
7/07/2022	74	115/67	Negative Negative	-	21	17	-	-	+	No complains	Tablet folic acid, multivitamin, fersolate. Advice on diet.

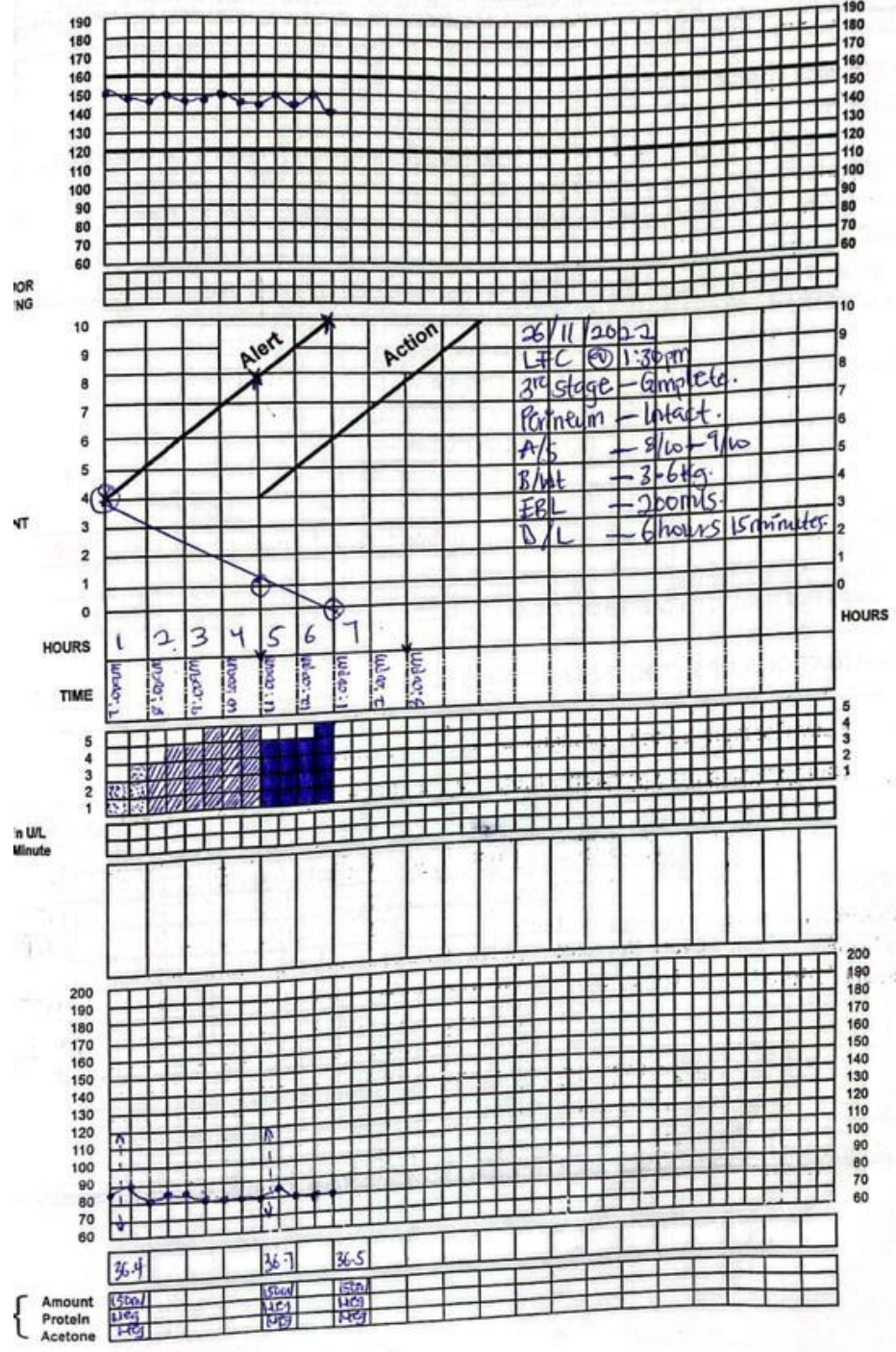
Date	Weight	Blood pressure-(mmHg)	Urine (protein and sugar)	Haemoglobin level (g/dl)	Gestational age (weeks)	Fundal height (cm)	Presentation	Descent (th)	Foetal heart rate (bpm)	Complains	Treatment and advice
4/08/2022	70	102/65	Negative Negative	11.4	26	24	Cephalic	-	+	No complains	Folic Acid, Multivitamin, Fersolate, 3 rd dose TD given and educated to take more fluids, fruits and vegetables
1/09/2022	75	106/59	Trace Negative	-	30	30	Cephalic	-	+	No complains	Routine drugs served, 1 st dose of SP given under DOT and educated on personal hygiene
Date	Weight	Blood Pressu-re(mmHg)	Urine (protein and sugar)	Haemoglobin level (g/dl)	Gestational age (weeks)	Fundal height (cm)	Presentation	Descent (th)	Foetal heart rate (bpm)	Complains	Treatment and advice

6/10/2022	76	116/70	Negative Negative	-	34	35	Cephalic	5/5	132	No complains	Routine drugs served,2 nd dose of SP given under DOT, paracetamol 1g for 3 days was served and educated on rest and exercise.
20/10/2022	77	109/70	Negative Negative	12.0	35	35	Cephalic	5/5	138	No complains	Routine drugs served,3 rd dose, albendazole given and educated on rest and sleep
Date	Weight	Blood Pressure- (mmHg)	Urine (protein and sugar)	Haemo- globin level (g/dl)	Gestati-- onal age (weeks)	Fun-- dal height (cm)	Presenta- tion	Descent (th)	Foetal heart rate (bpm)	Complains	Treatment and advice
5/11/2022	77	90/60	Negative Negative	-	36	33	Cephalic	5/5	138	No complains	To continue with routine drugs and educated on birth preparedness and complication readiness

11/11/2022	80	117/72	Negative Negative	-	37	38	Cephalic	5/5	138	No complains	Routine drugs served Client was educated labour and delivery
19/11/2022	81	119/75	Negative Negative	-	38	39	Cephalic	5/5	138	Insomnia and lower abdominal pain	Continue treatment

WHO Modified Partograph

Registration No. 220/22 Name (Last, First) VINIAN ANKOMAH Age 32 YRS
 Date 11/26/22 Parity/Gravida 1 / 2 LMP 10/02/22 EDD 11/11/22 Gestation (wks) 38 WKS
 ROM (Time, Date) 11/26/22 Labour Durable (Hrs) 6 Facility/Clinic Name RACHEAL'S HEALTH CENTRE



LABOR NOTES

On 26/11/2022, SVD of live female child at around 1:30pm. Placenta was out in next the first 5 minutes following the birth of the baby with intact membrane. Perineum was intact with no lacerations. Estimated blood loss 200mls. Baby weight was 3.6kg, Head circumference - 35cm, Chest - 34cm, full length - 52cm. APGAR score for first minute is 8/10 and for 5 minute is 9/10. Baby and mother was made comfortable and stable in bed. Baby was put on breast to initiate breastfeeding. Uterus was well contracted and client was taught on how to massage the uterus.

Please circle or write responses.

DELIVERY

DATE: 26/11/2022 TIME: 1:30pm METHOD: Spontaneous / Vacuum Extraction / C/S / Other

PERINEUM: Intact / Episiotomy / Laceration

ANESTHESIA: None / Local / General

THIRD STAGE

Active Management: Yes / No Medication: Time: 3:55pm Type/Dose Oxytocin 10units

PLACENTA: TIME: 1:40pm Complete / Incomplete

Small (Less than 250 cc)

BLOOD LOSS AMOUNT:

Moderate (250-499 cc)

Large (more than 500 cc)

Significant for mother

APGAR

BABY

Weight: 3.6kg

Sex: Male / Female

Baby Position: Vertex / Breech / Other

Time	Color	Breath	Heart	Tone	Reflex	TOTAL
1min	2	2	2	1	1	8/10
5min	2	2	2	2	1	9/10

COMPLICATIONS OF MOTHER / BABY: None / Other:

FOURTH STAGE MONITORING

Frequency	Time	B/P	Pulse	Fundus	Bleeding	Bladder
Every 15 minutes first 2 hours	1:30pm	110/80	79	17cm	well contracted	150mls
	1:45pm	110/80	80	well contracted		Nil
	2:00pm	110/80	80			Nil
	2:15pm	110/80	75			Nil
	2:30pm	110/80	79			Nil
	2:45pm	110/80	80			Nil
	3:00pm	110/80	76			130mls
Every 30 minutes For 1 hour	3:15pm	110/80	80			Nil
	3:45pm	110/85	85			Nil
	4:15pm	110/90	79			100mls

Birth Attendant Olusola Asante Priscilla - Assisted by Patricia Kodun Date 26/11/2022

MATERNITY CHART

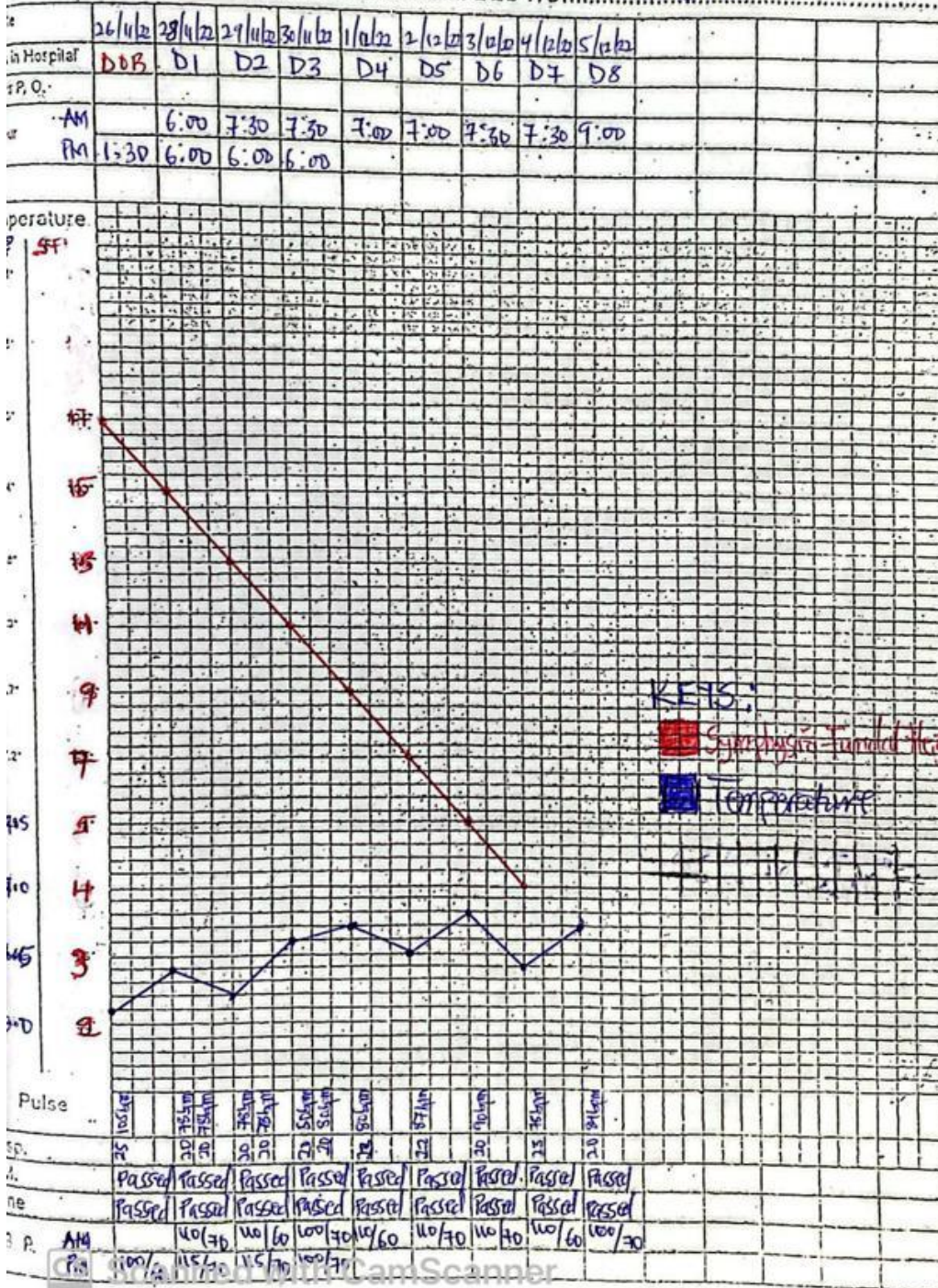
VIVIAN ANKOMATI

32 YEARS

220/22

WARD: LING - 1M

BED NO: THREE (3)



NEW BORN EXAMINATION FORM

BABY AMA YIVIAH ANKOMATI Date of Assessment: 26/11/2022 Time: _____
 Birth: 26/11/2022 Time of Birth: 1:30pm Sex: M F Age at time of Assessment (days/hrs) MEUBOR
 Gestational Age Mode of Delivery: Vaginal Assisted Vaginal C-Section
 Birth Weight: 3.6 kg Length: 52 cm Head Circumference: 35 cm
 Temperature at time of Assessment: 36.8 °C Urine passed: Yes No Meconium passed: Yes No
 Assessor (Midwife/Doctor): DIOUSU ANAHIE PRISCILLA

<p>7. Suck</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Weak <input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<p>8. Head swelling</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Caput succedaneum <input type="checkbox"/> Cephalhaematoma <input type="checkbox"/> Subgaleal hemorrhage <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No swelling	<p>9. Sutures</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Overlapping <input type="checkbox"/> Fused <input type="checkbox"/> Widely Separated *	<p>10. Fontanel</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Sunken * <input type="checkbox"/> Raised * <input type="checkbox"/> Wide (>5cm)*	<p>11. Eyes</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Subconjunctival bleed <input type="checkbox"/> White pupil or cornea <input type="checkbox"/> Eye discharge <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	<p>12. Ears</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal (size / shape/position). <input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal: _____	<p>13. Mouth</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Cleft palate <input type="checkbox"/> Cleft Lip <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<p>15. Neck</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Swelling <input type="checkbox"/> Webbed <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<p>16. Clavicle</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Swelling/Fracture	<p>17. Chest</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal (Shape/movement) <input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal _____	<p>18. Heart rate</p> Rate: <u>130</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal (100-160) <input type="checkbox"/> <100 * <input type="checkbox"/> >160*	<p>19. Femoral pulse</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Not palpable*	<p>20. Abdomen</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Distended* <input type="checkbox"/> Scarphoid* <input type="checkbox"/> Abdominal defect* <input type="checkbox"/> Maases: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	<p>21. Back (spine)</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal Swelling * <input type="checkbox"/> Hairly patch over spine <input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal dimple <input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal curvature	<p>22. Limbs</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal _____	<p>23. Genitalia</p> <p>Male Genitalia</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Undescended testes <input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal meatus <input type="checkbox"/> Hernia <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<p>Female Genitalia</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Fistula(meconium/urine through abnormal opening in vagina)* <input type="checkbox"/> Large clitoria * <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<p>24. Anus</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Patent <input type="checkbox"/> Imperforate*	<p>25. Resuscitation provided</p> <input type="checkbox"/> One <input type="checkbox"/> Suction/stimulation <input type="checkbox"/> Bag and mask <input type="checkbox"/> Endotracheal Tube <input type="checkbox"/> Ventilator/CPAP	<p>26. Services provided</p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vitamin K1 given <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eye care provided <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cord care provided <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Breastfeeding initiated <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Breastfeeding established <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Immunization (BCG/Polio) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BCG <input type="checkbox"/> Polio Immunization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Antibiotics in mother <input type="checkbox"/> Antenatal corticosteroids
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Indicate severe disease that requires urgent referral (if known) NORMAL BABY
 Classification: (Overall assessment) Normal Baby with a Problem Danger Sign/ <1500g/ severe Jaundice
 Routine Care Problem. Continue supportive in-patient care Urgent Referral / Advanced Care Discharge

NEW BORN EXAMINATION FORM

Name: BABI ANGA VIVIAH ANKOMATI Date of Assessment: 27/11/2022 Time: 7:30
 Date of Birth: 26/11/2022 Time of Birth: 1:30pm Sex: M F Age at time of Assessment (days/hrs) DAY
 Astational Age Mode of Delivery: Vaginal Assisted Vaginal C-Section
 APGAR: 1min 5min Birth Weight: 3.6 kg Length: 52 cm Head Circumference: 35 cm
 Temperature at time of Assessment: 36.1 °C Urine passed: Yes No Meconium passed: Yes
 Name of Assessor (Midwife/Doctor): OWUSLI ASAHUE PRISCILLA

<p>1. Respiration Rate <u>30</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Rate < 30 b/m * <input type="checkbox"/> Rate < 60 b/m * <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 30-60 b/m <input type="checkbox"/> Retractions * <input type="checkbox"/> Grunting * <input type="checkbox"/> Stridor *</p> <p>2. Activity/Movement <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Spontaneous symmetric movements <input type="checkbox"/> Reduced/Absent Movement in ≥ 1 limb * <input type="checkbox"/> No Movement</p> <p>3. Tone <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Floppy * <input type="checkbox"/> Increased *</p> <p>4. Colour <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pink all over <input type="checkbox"/> Pink body but blue hands/feet <input type="checkbox"/> Blue all over * <input type="checkbox"/> Pale * <input type="checkbox"/> Jaundiced *</p> <p>5. Cord <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Red, draining pus <input type="checkbox"/> Bleeding</p> <p>6. Cry <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Shriill * <input type="checkbox"/> Absent *</p>	<p>7. Suck <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Weak <input type="checkbox"/> Absent</p> <p>8. Head swelling <input type="checkbox"/> Caput succedaneum <input type="checkbox"/> Cephalhaematoma <input type="checkbox"/> Subgaleal hemorrhage <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No swelling</p> <p>9. Sutures <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Overlapping <input type="checkbox"/> Fused <input type="checkbox"/> Widely Separated *</p> <p>10. Fontanel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Sunken * <input type="checkbox"/> Raised * <input type="checkbox"/> Wide (>5cm) *</p> <p>11. Eyes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Subconjunctival bleed <input type="checkbox"/> White pupil or cornea <input type="checkbox"/> Eye discharge <input type="checkbox"/> Other</p> <p>12. Ears <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal (size / shape/position) <input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal:</p> <p>13. Mouth <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Cleft palate <input type="checkbox"/> Cleft Lip <input type="checkbox"/> Other:</p>	<p>15. Neck <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Swelling <input type="checkbox"/> Webbed <input type="checkbox"/> Other:</p> <p>16. Clavicle <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Swelling/Fracture</p> <p>17. Chest <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal (Shape/movement) <input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal</p> <p>18. Heart rate Rate: <u>130</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal (100-160) <input type="checkbox"/> <100 * <input type="checkbox"/> >160 *</p> <p>19. Femoral pulse <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Not palpable *</p> <p>20. Abdomen <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Distended * <input type="checkbox"/> Scarphoid * <input type="checkbox"/> Abdominal defect * <input type="checkbox"/> Maases: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other</p> <p>21. Back (spine) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal Swelling * <input type="checkbox"/> Hairly patch over spine <input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal dimple <input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal curvature</p>	<p>22. Limbs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal</p> <p>23. Genitalia Male Genitalia <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Undescended testes <input type="checkbox"/> Abnormal meatus <input type="checkbox"/> Hernia <input type="checkbox"/> Other: Female Genitalia <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Fistula(meconium/urine through abnormal opening in vagina) * <input type="checkbox"/> Large clitoria * <input type="checkbox"/> Other:</p> <p>24. Anus <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Patent <input type="checkbox"/> Imperforate *</p> <p>25. Resuscitation provided <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One <input type="checkbox"/> Suction/stimulation <input type="checkbox"/> Bag and mask <input type="checkbox"/> Endotracheal Tube <input type="checkbox"/> Ventilator/CPAP</p> <p>26. Services provided <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vitamin K1 given <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eye care provided <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cord care provided <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Breastfeeding initiated <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Breastfeeding established <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Immunization (BCG/Polio) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BCG <input type="checkbox"/> Polio Immunization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Antibiotics in mother <input type="checkbox"/> Antenatal corticosteroids</p>
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*May indicate severe disease that requires urgent referral

Diagnoses (if known) NORMAL BABY

Classification: (Overall assessment) Normal Baby with a Problem Danger Sign/ <1500g/ severe Jaundice
 Plan: Routine Care Problem. Continue supportive in-patient care Urgent Referral / Advanced Care Discharge

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 Sex: FEMALE Mother's No: 220/22 Length: 52 cm
 Nature of Delivery: SPONTANEOUS VAGINA DELIVERY Diagnosis: N.E.W.BORN
 Date of Birth: 26/11/2022 Time: 1:30 PM Date of Discharge: 27/11/2022

Date	No. of Days	Weight	Temperature	Stools	Urine	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM
26/11/22	D-0	3.6 kg	36.8°C	Fossil/Fossil	Fossil								
28/11/22	D1	3.5 kg	36.4°C	Fossil/Fossil	Fossil								
29/11/22	D2	3.4 kg	36.5°C	Fossil/Fossil	Fossil								
30/11/22	D3	3.3 kg	36.2°C	Fossil/Fossil	Fossil								
1/12/22	D4	3.3 kg	36.8°C	Fossil/Fossil	Fossil								
2/12/22	D5	3.4 kg	36.5°C	Fossil/Fossil	Fossil								
3/12/22	D6	3.5 kg	36.7°C	Fossil/Fossil	Fossil								
4/12/22	D7	3.6 kg	36.5°C	Fossil/Fossil	Fossil								
5/12/22	D8	3.8 kg	36.7°C	Fossil/Fossil	Fossil								

Remarks: HEAD, NECK, TRUNK, GENITALIA, LIMBS. NO ABNORMALITY DETECTED.

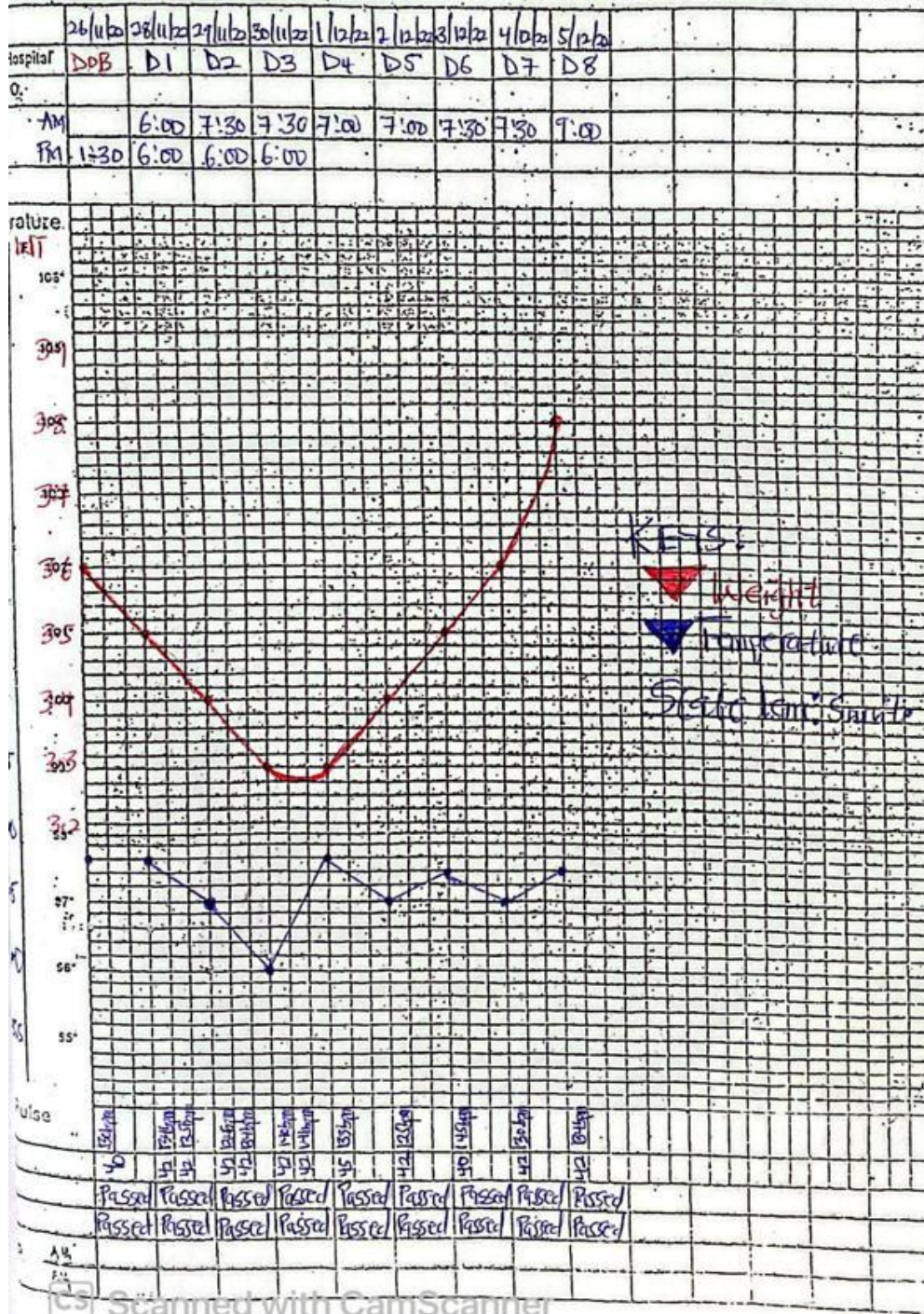
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NEWBORN

WARD: LYING - IN

BED NO.: THREE (3)



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SIGNATORIES

THE STUDENT MIDWIFE

NAME: OWUSU ASANTE PRISCILLA

SIGNATURE: 

DATE: 29TH JUNE, 2023

THE MIDWIFE IN-CHARGE (RACHEL'S HEALTH CENTER)

NAME: MISS. PATRICIA KODUAH

SIGNATURE:  (for)

DATE: 14/07/2023

SUPERVISOR

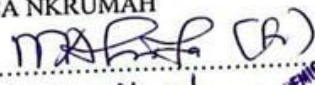
NAME: MS. ERNESTINA MENSAH

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DATE: 29 - 06 - 2023

THE PRINCIPAL

NAME: MONICA NKRUMAH

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