

Ministry of Health

After the baby is born...

- 1. Decide how you plan to feed the baby in a way that is affordable, feasible, available, safe and sustainable. Exclusive breastfeeding is recommended for the first six months.
- 2. Practice family planning for a healthier and better future. Choose a method that is suitable for you and your partner.
- 3. Take the baby for immunization.
- 4. Know the signs and symptoms of when your baby is not doing well. Seek medical attention at the health facility.
- 5. Wait at least two years before you become pregnant.
- 6. Have only the number of children you can afford to support.
- 7. If you've had the desired number of children you want, use a long acting or permanent method of family planning.

Finished child bearing?

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 Talk to your relatives, friends and neighbours about the benefits of family planning. Be a family planning champion.
- 3. Go for regular yearly reproductive health checkups.
- 4. Remain good friends with your partner and enjoy growing old together.



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Celebrate

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Use Family Planning Revision



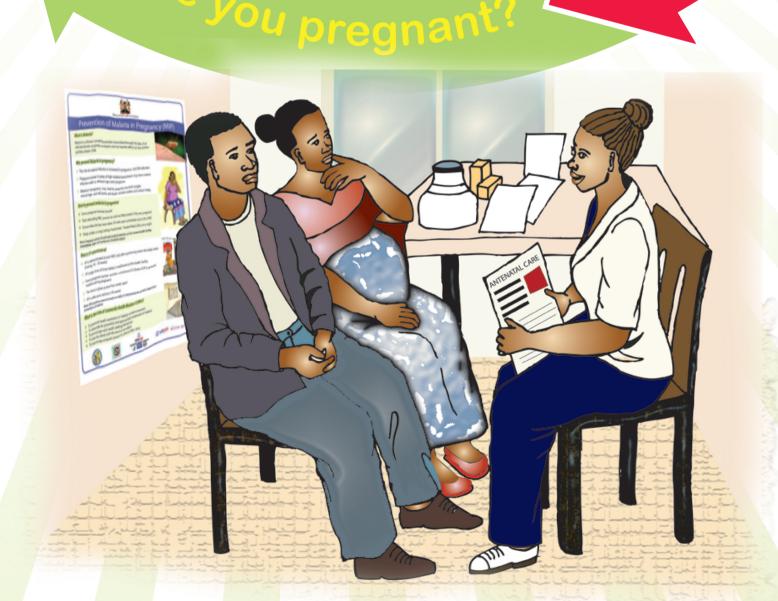
- 1. Focus on your goals, your career and your future.
- 2. Abstain from sex until you have finished school or college.
- 3. Say no to alcohol and drugs. Do not give in to peer pressure.
- 4. It's your right to have reproductive health information and services.
- 5. Protect yourself against an unwanted pregnancy, STI and HIV.
- 6. Build a healthy relationship through communication with your partner before you make a commitment

During delivery...

- 1. Know the danger signs for both mother and baby during delivery. Ask your service provider for more information about these.
- 2. Be sure to initiate breastfeeding within 30 minutes after delivery.
- 3. Start on your family planning method of choice immediately after delivery. Ask your service provider for more information about this.
- 4. Ensure you have the resources needed for the health and wellbeing of the mother and baby after delivery.
- 5. Plan to return to the health facility for your 1st postpartum visit in four to six weeks, unless there is a complication.



- 1. Immediately you think you are pregnant, attend ANC at least four times during your pregnancy.
- 2. There are many health benefits for the pregnant mother in attending the ANC clinic.
- 3. Plan to deliver in a health facility.
- 4. Develop a birth preparedness plan with your partner.
- 5. Think about which family planning method you will use after delivery. Discuss your family planning options with your service provider.





- 1. Talk to your partner about family planning.
- 2. Plan for the number of children you can afford to raise and when you want to have them.
- 3. Family planning is easy to start and to practice. There are many methods of family planning you can choose from.
- 4. Family planning is good for the health and wellbeing of the mother and baby.
- 5. A small well planned family is better able to share and utilize the family resources.

