

- See your doctor early and often.
- Eat right.
- Don't drink alcohol or smoke.

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## **HUDSON VALLEY**

# HEALTHY MOTHERS, HEALTHY BABIES



A COALITION FOR PUBLIC EDUCATION TO IMPROVE MATERNAL/INFANT HEALTH

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#### WHAT IS IT?

Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies is a public education effort being carried out through a partnership among government, professional, and voluntary organizations and agencies. Its goals are to:

- PROMOTE public awareness and education in preventive health habits for all pregnant women and their families.
- DEVELOP networks for sharing information among groups concerned about improving the health of mothers and babies.
- DISTRIBUTE public education materials on topics related to improving maternal and child health.
- ASSIST in the development of state and local Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies coalitions.



#### WHY IS IT BEING DONE?

The program was launched as one means of achieving the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Health Objective for the Nation to improve maternal and infant health. There are 16 other nations with a lower infant mortality rate than the United States. In 1980, eight specific objectives were proposed to improve pregnancy outcome and infant health. Of these, one of the most important is the goal of no more than nine infant deaths for each 1,000 live births by 1990.

Achievement of this goal depends largely on provision of high quality prenatal, obstetrical, and neonatal care; preventive services during the first year of life; professional education; and broad public information activities aimed at pregnant women and their families. While these elements all require a long-term commitment of interest and resources, Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies has been organized primarily to work toward improving the quality and reach of public education on prenatal and infant care.



#### WHO IS DOING IT?

The program is being implemented by the **Healthy Mothers**, **Healthy Babies** Coalition, an informal association of professional, voluntary, and government organizations with a common interest in prenatal and infant health. The purpose of the coalition is to foster public education efforts for pregnant women through collaborative activities and sharing of information and resources.



### WHAT ARE WE DOING IN THE HUDSON VALLEY?

With the support of a grant from the March of Dimesthe following workshops will be offered at YWCA II; KINGSTON:

Early Pregnancy: information will be provided on nutrition, exercise and good health habits during pregnancy. Color slides will be shown of the development of a growing fetus, procedure for amniocentesis and ultrasound. Recommended for childbearing families particularly during the first five months of pregnancy.

Breast Feeding Preparation and Management: information will be provided on preparation for breast feeding, breast care, diet, pumping and storing breast milk, weaning and preventive care. Color slides will be shown and detailed instruction provided. Recommended for childbearing families at least 5 months into the pregnancy. This workshop emphasizes information and is not intended to pressure families into choosing breast feeding as a method of infant nutrition.

Care of the Newborn: information will be provided regarding physical care of the newborn: feeding, bathing, dressing etc. Emotional needs and bonding are also discussed. Color slides are presented depicting normal newborn appearance, newborn behavior and common hospital procedures such as circumcision. Information is also provided regarding danger signs in the newborn and appropriate emergency care. Recommended for all childbearing and adopting families preferably during the latter part of pregnancy or the early post partum period.



#### SCHEDULE OF WORKSHOPS FOR 1985-1986

Oct. 26 - Early Pregnancy

Nov. 16 - Breast Feeding Preparation and Management

Dec. 14 - Care of the Newborn

Jan. 18 - Early Pregnancy

Feb. 15 - Breast Feeding Preparation and Management

March 15 - Care of the Newborn

April 19 - Early Pregnancy

May 10 - Breast Feeding Preparation and Management

June 7 - Care of the Newborn

July 26 - Early Pregnancy

Aug. 23 - Breast Feeding Preparation and Management

Sept. 20 - Care of the Newborn

There is no charge for these workshops but registration is limited to 20 couples per workshop.

#### REGISTRATION FORM

Name			
Street	-		
Town/City			
State		_Zip Code	
Telephone: Home		Work	
	title		date
Workshops: _			
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Deadline to register is one week prior to each workshop.

Mail to: YWCA

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