## **Prenatal Exercises**

#### Pelvic Floor (Kegel's) Exercise

Tighten the pelvic floor as if to lift the internal organs or to stop urination in midstream. Hold as tightly as possible for a slow count of 3 (gradually work up to a count of 10). Be sure to breathe. Repeat 3 or 4 times throughout the day, whenever possible.

# Stand against the wall

with feet slightly apart, slowly slide down and stay for 3-5 seconds and then slide up. Relax and repeat 5-10 times.

#### Wall Slide Squat Knee Extension

Sit in a relaxed comfortable position, slowly lift your leg and make your knee straight in line with the hip.



Sit on the floor with legs apart and heels together. You will feel a stretch in the inner side of your thigh. Hold for 5-10 seconds. Relax and repeat 5 times

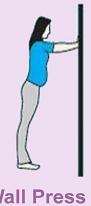
### Hold it for 15 seconds and bring it down. Repeat with alternate

#### **Walking Lunge**

Stand in a walking position, slowly go forward and down and come to the starting position. Repeat by alternate lunge with opposite legs

#### Step Ups

You can do this in the staircase or with a small stool, Go up, hold and come down slowly. Repeat with alternate legs.

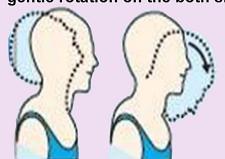


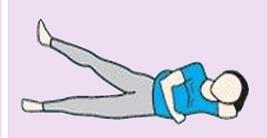
#### **Wall Press**

Stand facing a wall, with hands on the wall, slowly push your hands against the wall. Your upper body will move forward and your shoulders will stretch backwards as if in normal push ups. You will feel a streach in your chest. Inhale slowly and deeply as you move forward, hold with your strech for 5-10 seconds. Relax and repeat 3-5 times.

#### **Neck Rotation**

Sit in a relaxed comfortable position with your hands either on your lap or over a pillow. Shoulders relaxed. Move your neck upwords, downwards and to the sides slowly and to a gentle rotation on the both sides





#### Outer Thigh Lift

Lying on your sides, slowly lift your leg to comfortable range. Hold it for 3-5 seconds and slowly bring it down. Do 5-10 times and then turn to the other side and repeat.

#### **Chest Muscle Exercise**

Clasp your hands. Push against the hands and hold it for 5-10 seconds, so you will feel tightness in the chest.Relax and repat 10 times.