CDC mPINC HOSPITAL SURVEY
Maternity Practices in Infant Nutrition & Care

2018 Virginia Results Report

State Total Score*

81

National Total Score*

79

What is mPINC?

mPINC is CDC's national survey of Maternity Practices in Infant Nutrition and Care.

What does mPINC measure?

The survey measures care practices and policies that impact newborn feeding, feeding education, staff skills, and discharge support.

Who is included in mPINC surveys?

CDC invites all hospitals with maternity services in the U.S. and territories to participate. In 2018, 36 of 57 eligible hospitals in Virginia participated (63%).

Implementing best practices and policies in maternity care help to improve breastfeeding outcomes. Use your state's mPINC data to bring together partners, identify gaps, celebrate achievements, and prioritize next steps.

Immediate Postpartum Care	National Subscore 81	Virginia Subscore 83	Virginia Hospitals with Ideal Response
Newborns remain in uninterrupted skin-to-skin contact for at least 1 hour or until breastfed (vaginal delivery)			69%
Newborns remain in uninterrupted skin-to-skin contact for at least 1 hour or until breastfed (cesarean delivery)			58%
Mother-infant dyads are NOT separated before rooming-in (vaginal delivery)			86%
Newborns are monitored continuously for the first 2 hours after birth			61%
Rooming-In	**National Subscore 71**	**Virginia Subscore 70**	**Virginia Hospitals with Ideal Response**
Mother-infant dyads are rooming-in 24 hours/day			64%
Routine newborn exams, procedures, and care occur in the mother's room			36%
Hospital has a protocol requiring frequent observations of high-risk mother-infant dyads			78%
Feeding Practices	**National Subscore 82**	**Virginia Subscore 84**	**Virginia Hospitals with Ideal Response**
Few breastfeeding newborns receive infant formula			31%
Hospital does NOT perform routine blood glucose monitoring on newborns not at risk for hypoglycemia			92%
When breastfeeding mothers request infant formula, staff counsel them about possible consequences			69%

Feeding Education & Support	National Subscore 92	Virginia Subscore 94	Virginia Hospitals with Ideal Response
Mothers whose newborns are fed formula are taught feeding techniques and how to safely prepare/feed formula			78%
Breastfeeding mothers are taught/shown how to recognize/respond to feeding cues, to breastfeed on-demand, and to understand the risks of artificial nipples/pacifiers			72%
Breastfeeding mothers are taught/shown how to position and latch their newborn, assess effective breastfeeding, and hand express milk			72%

Discharge Support	National Subscore 78	Virginia Subscore 81	Virginia Hospitals with Ideal Response
Discharge criteria for breastfeeding newborns requires direct observation of at least 1 effective feeding at the breast within 8 hours of discharge			69%
Discharge criteria for breastfeeding newborns requires scheduling of the first follow-up with a health care provider			92%
Hospital's discharge support to breastfeeding mothers includes in-person follow-up visits/ appointments, personalized phone calls, or formalized, coordinated referrals to lactation providers			92%
Hospital does NOT give mothers any of these items as gifts or free samples: infant formula; feeding bottles/nipples, nipple shields, or pacifiers; coupons, discounts, or educational materials from companies that make/sell infant formula/feeding products			69%

Institutional Management	National Subscore 70	Virginia Subscore 74	Virginia Hospitals with Ideal Response
Nurses are required to demonstrate competency in assessing breastfeeding (milk transfer & maternal pain), assisting with breastfeeding (positioning & latch), teaching hand expression & safe formula preparation/feeding, and demonstrating safe skin-to-skin practices			78%
Hospital requires nurses to be formally assessed for clinical competency in breastfeeding support/lactation management			67%
Hospital records/tracks exclusive breastfeeding throughout the entire hospitalization			97%
Hospital pays a fair market price for infant formula			42%
Hospital has 100% of written policy elements§			33%

*Scores range from 0 to 100, with 100 being the best possible score. The "Total Score" is an average of the subscores for the 6 subdomains.

§See the scoring algorithm for specific items at www.cdc.gov/breastfeeding/data/mpinc/scoring.htm

NOTE: The mPINC survey was redesigned in 2018. Results from the 2018 mPINC survey cannot be compared with results from previous mPINC surveys.

Questions about the mPINC survey?

Visit www.cdc.gov/breastfeeding/data/mpinc to learn more.

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