

## FCMC Newborn Questions

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The context for each of these scenarios is a newborn nursery in a community hospital. The hospital has both a level 1 and level 2 nursery, you have privileges in both. This is not a teaching hospital, that is, there are no residents in the hospital. There is a PA who works the night shift in the nursery.

How will you respond to the following telephone calls from your home or office?

1. It is 1am and a nurse calls you. Baby Jones, born at 11pm, is labeled "breast only" but the baby won't latch on. How will you evaluate the baby by phone? What will you tell the nurse to do?
2. A 35-week boy, 4 hours of age, BW 5 lbs, apgars 8&9 is shivering. What might be the problem and how will you evaluate?
3. On day 2 of life a baby looks yellow. Will you hold his discharge to wait for a bili level?
4. It is 3pm and a baby was just born and admitted to your service. You do not know the family. The OB is calling to let you know that the baby appears unusual, perhaps "funny looking".
5. A 2-day-old boy was circumcised at 8am. It is now noon and the parents want to go home. The mother has been discharged. The parents are paging you because the nurse is telling them that the baby has to stay until he pees.
6. A newborn was feeding and became dusky.
7. Healthy appearing term infant just born to a mom who was HIV positive. The baby delivered precipitously so there was no intrapartum treatment. The nurse wants to know what to do.
8. A term infant was born to a mom who was positive for GBS. She received one dose of antibiotics intrapartum, 2 hours prior to delivery. Should the infant have any additional testing or treatment?
9. A nurse calls from the newborn nursery with concerns about an infant with an elevated respiratory rate. The 2 hour old 7lb female was born by NSVD uncomplicated pregnancy. RR is now 70.
10. The breastfed baby in question 1 is now one day old.
  - a. The nurse calls because the baby has not urinated.
  - b. Later the baby urinates and there is blood in the urine.

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