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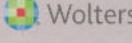
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76 Posttraumatic Stress Disorder After Birth: A Metaphor Analysis

Nine percent of mothers screened positive for meeting the diagnostic criteria for Posttraumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) due to childbirth in a recent study of childbearing women in the United States. The purpose of this study was to analyze the language used by mothers experiencing PTSD after traumatic birth for metaphors as a rich source of insight into this mental illness for maternal child nurses.

Cheryl Tatano Beck, DNSc, CNM, FAAN

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Teen mothers may have experienced adverse childhood experiences that were distressing and traumatic. These events can have a negative influence on their pregnancy and parenting. Trauma-informed care and strengths-based care can be helpful in supporting teen mothers.

Patricia Freed, EdD, MSN, RN, CNE, and Lee SmithBattle, PhD, RN

Perinatal Practices and Traditions Among Asian Indian Women

Asian Indian women living in the United States have many cultural practices and traditions related to pregnancy, birth, and postpartum. An overview is provided to help perinatal nurses give quality care to this unique and growing population.

Deepika Goyal, PhD, FNP-C





Breastfeeding Barriers and Support in a Rural Setting

A community assessment in a rural area of Missouri was conducted to identify challenges to successful breasfeeding. Breastfeeding women and healthcare providers offer their insights on current realities and what would be needed to improve breastfeeding rates.

Laurel R. Goodman, BA, MPH, Wilson Majee, PhD, MPH, Joshua E. Olsberg, PhD, and Urmeka T. Jefferson, PhD, RN

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Karen A. Thomas, PhD, RN and Susan Spieker, PhD

Trying to Live With Pumping: Expressing Milk for Preterm or Small for Gestational Age Infants

Concern about infant feeding is a common problem reported by mothers of preterm babies admitted to neonatal intensive care units. This study explores the experiences of mothers of preterm babies as they faced the challenges of pumping breast milk to provide the best nutrition for their baby and maintain their ability to breastfeed once the baby was able.

Riikka Ikonen, RN, MNSc, Eija Paavilainen, PhD, and Marja Kaunonen, PhD

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Gestational diabetes mellitus is one of the most common pregnancy complications in the United States, affecting 7% of all pregnancies, yet care for this population is not always ideal. This study evaluates postpartum care and follow-up for women with gestational diabetes in a tertiary care center in New Mexico.

Felina Mychelle Ortiz, CNM, DNP, Elizabeth Yakes Jimenez, PhD, RD, Blake Boursaw, MS, and Kathleen Huttlinger, PhD, RN



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Judy A. Beal, DNSc, RN, FNAP, FAAN

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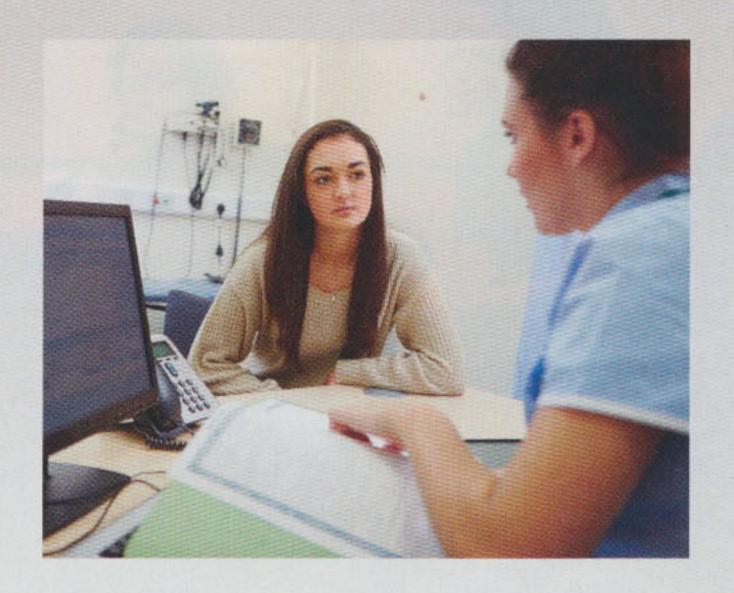
When the new mother is unable to breastfeed or provide milk for her own child, human milk must be accessed from another source. There are three options: pasteurized donor human milk from a non-profit milk bank governed by the Human Milk Banking Association of North America, pasteurized donor human milk from a for-profit company, or through informal milk sharing. Our breastfeeding expert, Dr. Spatz explains why families may opt to or need to access human milk informally and why nurses and healthcare providers must have knowledge of informal milk sharing.

Diane L. Spatz, PhD, RN-BC, FAAN

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Patricia Robin McCartney, PhD, RN, FAAN



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Lynn Clark Callister, PhD, RN, FAAN

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