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Take this card with you when you go to the hospital. Give it to your nurse. This is one more way to help protect your baby from getting the hepatitis B virus (HBV).

Don't share HBV with your baby

You have HBV in your blood, and you could give this virus to your baby at birth. If your baby does get hepatitis B, he or she could become ill. Your baby could also give the virus to others.

How to protect your baby

Babies born to women who have HBV should get:

- Hepatitis B immune globulin (HBIG) and hepatitis B (hepB) vaccine within 12 hours of birth
- A second dose of hepB vaccine one-two month after the first dose
- A third dose at six months of age
- A blood test at nine to twelve months of age, (3-6 months after the completion of the vaccine series)

If you have questions about this program, or how to get hepB vaccine or blood tests for your baby, household or sexual contacts, please call the Michigan Department of Health & Human Services (MDHHS) Perinatal Hepatitis B Program (PHBPP) at 517-284-4893, 517-284-4885 or 800-964-4487.