

## **MOTHERS . . .**

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.

### **Don't share hepatitis B with your baby**

You have the hepatitis B virus 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 the hepatitis B virus 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, (1-2 months after the final dose if vaccine series if delayed)

If you have questions about this program, or about how to get free hepB vaccine or free 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 or 800-964-4487. In southeast Michigan, call 313-456-4431 or 313-456-4432.