





COVID-19 – Ensuring safe breastfeeding and newborn care: Lessons from Countries | Jul 7, 2020

Ensuring early essential newborn care in the context of COVID-19

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Quang Ninh province was an early hotbed of the COVID-19 pandemic in Viet Nam

• Viet Nam:

- First case on Jan 23, 2020
- 335 cases, 10 active cases, 0 deaths
- No community transmission for two months

Quang Ninh province:

- Borders China and near Hanoi
- 9 cases, 0 active cases

Quang Ninh Hospital for Women and Children:

- 8,000 births/year, 52% cesarean section (2019)
- Designated as Center of Excellence for Breastfeeding in Dec 2019





Early preparation helped to ensure the provision of routine services amid COVID-19 pandemic

- Hospital began COVID-19 response on February 10, 2020
- Designated one separate clinic, one labor room, one operation room, and four postpartum rooms in the Department of Tropical Diseases for suspected or confirmed COVID-19 cases









Social distancing measures were applied to hospital personnel and admitted patients

- Tele-coaching health staff on COVID-19 treatment guidelines and protocols
- Ensuring two-meter distance in public areas (clinic, waiting rooms, canteen)







Hospital implemented measures to manage admissions appropriately

- Routine screening and classification by risk level upon arrival at the hospital's reception area
- Suspected cases follow a separate route and receive RT-PCR test by the hospital (2 hours) and by Center for Disease Control (8 hours) for confirmation







A COVID-19 suspected case: Cesarean section birth with 37-week twins, exclusively breastfed











Maintained WHO-recommended early essential newborn care services for all 56 suspected cases of COVID-19

As Center of Excellence for Breastfeeding, the hospital ensures:

- Birth companion of choice (for vaginal births).
- Prolonged skin-to-skin contact.
- Breastfeeding counseling and support.
- Early initiation of breastfeeding.
- No separation.
- Rooming-in.
- Exclusive breastfeeding.

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Cặp song sinh chào đời trong khu cách ly

Sáng 8/4, hai bé song sinh nặng 2,8 kg và 2,6 kg chảo đời trong khu cách ly bệnh viên Sản Nhi Quảng Ninh.

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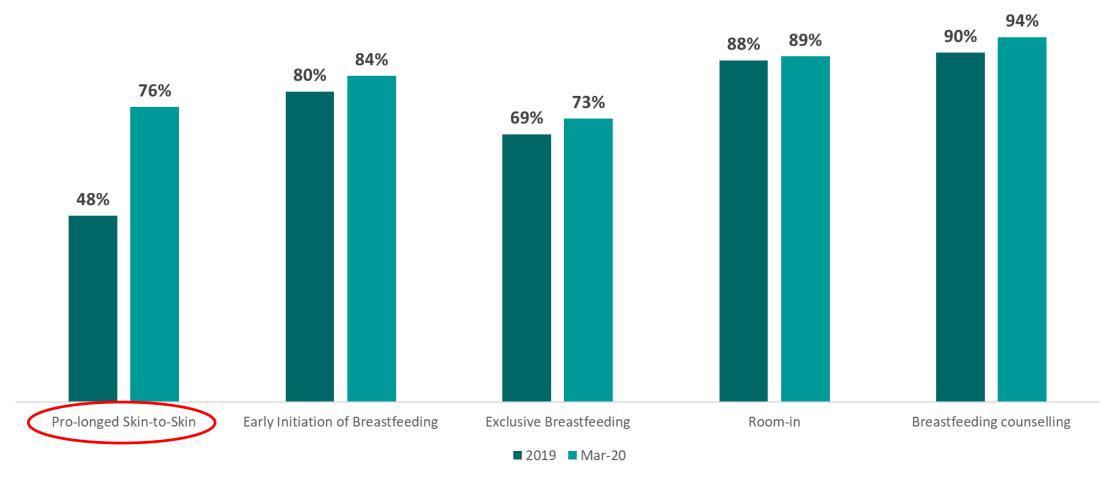
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Bé trai chào đời trong khu cách ly

Bé nặng 3,3 kg, chào đời khỏe mạnh trong phòng cách ly Covid-19 tại Bệnh viện Sản Nhi Quảng Ninh.



Twenty-eight hospitals enrolled in the *Centers of Excellence for Breastfeeding* initiative maintain breastfeeding and newborn care services during the COVID-19 pandemic



For more information about the *Center of Excellence for Breastfeeding* initiative:

https://www.aliveandthrive.org/how-we-work/centers-of-excellence-for-breastfeeding/









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