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## Pregnancy Checklist

Congratulations! This is a guide to your pregnancy to help you understand expectations and plan for your prenatal care and delivery.

GESTATIONAL AGE	CHECKLIST:
6-9 weeks ○ 1 inch long ○ Heart is functioning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First prenatal appointment around 8 weeks. An ultrasound is not usually done at this visit. Your first ultrasound will be at 11-12 weeks of pregnancy.</li> <li>• Review any prescription medications you are currently taking with healthcare provider.</li> <li>• Routine prenatal labs.</li> <li>• Complete cystic fibrosis and spinal muscular atrophy genetic screening tests.</li> </ul>
10-15 week ○ 2-3 inches long ○ ½- 1 oz ○ Limbs formed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First ultrasound (11-12 weeks)! If you've already had an ultrasound earlier in your pregnancy, you do not need a repeat ultrasound at 11-12weeks.</li> <li>• We should be able to hear your baby's heartbeat by listening with a fetal doppler on your belly. All of your lab results will be reviewed with you at this visit.</li> <li>• Genetic screening for chromosomal abnormalities. Can also find out gender from this lab (7-10 days after drawn) if you want to know.</li> <li>• Consider feeding method planned.</li> </ul>
16-20 weeks ○ 8-10 inches ○ 7-14 oz	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Office visits continue every 4 weeks.</li> <li>• Ultrasound to look at baby's anatomy at 18-20 weeks</li> <li>• Schedule childbirth education classes and/or breastfeeding course.</li> <li>• Many patients begin to feel the baby move close to 20 weeks of pregnancy (although this varies person to person)!</li> </ul>
21-26 weeks ○ 11-14 inches ○ 1.75-3 lbs ○ Baby may hiccup	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Begin interviewing pediatricians or family practice providers - both can provide newborn care.</li> <li>• Check out childcare options if returning to work.</li> <li>• If you're planning to breastfeed your baby, you were given a prescription for a breast pump at your 20-week office visit. Fill out the attached forms and submit them so you'll have your pump before delivery.</li> </ul>
27-30 weeks ○ 14-16 inches ○ 2.5-3.5lbs ○ Taste buds develop	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Blood tests for anemia and gestational diabetes.</li> <li>• Rhogam injection (if indicated for Rh negative blood types) at 28 weeks with lab tests.</li> <li>• Start buying baby equipment including car seat!</li> <li>• Consider contraceptive options post-partum and discuss with provider.</li> <li>• Start working out details about maternity leave with employer - provide office with FMLA form (our office will complete within 10 days of receiving it).</li> </ul>
31-35 weeks ○ 16-19 inches ○ 4-6 pounds ○ Brain development ○ Strong "kicks" may be visible from outside	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tdap vaccine to protect your baby from whooping cough will be given to you at your 32-week visit. Your partner and any other family members having contact with you should contact their healthcare providers about getting the vaccine prior to your baby arriving.</li> <li>• Complete childbirth education classes.</li> <li>• Organize transportation plan to get to hospital.</li> <li>• Tour Elliot hospital.</li> <li>• Install car seat - inspection available at local fire department (you need to call fire department to set up appointment).</li> <li>• Baby might "drop" into pelvis.</li> <li>• Plan childcare arrangements for other children during hospital stay.</li> <li>• Choose a pediatrician or family practice provider to care for your baby.</li> </ul>
36 weeks - delivery ○ 19-20 inches ○ 7-8 pounds ○ Lungs mature ○ Skin smooth and pink	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Appointments weekly.</li> <li>• May pass mucus plug.</li> <li>• Having a boy? Make decision on circumcision.</li> <li>• GBS screening test at 36 weeks.</li> <li>• Cannot travel by air after 36 weeks.</li> <li>• Check cervix for cervical dilation at 40 weeks (your due date!).</li> <li>• Plan induction at 41-42 weeks if you haven't gone into labor.</li> </ul>