



## Kid Health Practice

- At birth
  - Dip navel in iodine
  - Kids should ingest 10% of their live weight in colostrum during first 12 to 24 hours of life.
  - Colostrum should be ingested or bottle-fed (in case of weak kids) as soon as kids have a suckling reflex. In cases of extremely weak kids, they should be tube-fed. It is very important to make sure that the tube is inserted into the esophagus (you should be able to see the tube go down as it is inserted).The producer must be certain that all newborn kids get colostrum soon after birth (within the first hour after birth, and certainly within the first 6 hours) because the percentage of antibodies found in colostrum decreases rapidly after parturition. Newborn kids should ingest 10% of their body weight in colostrum.

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