The continuum of care during the FIRST 1,000 DAYS

MOTHER & BABY TIMELINE	Pregnancy	Child's 2nd Birthday	
INITIATIVES	Antenatal Care	Delivery & Postpartum Care	Care Beyond Six Weeks
ACTORS	Family member G Nurse Nutritioni	vocate Community Health Worker ieneral Practitioner Lactation Con st/Dietitian Obstetrician/Gynaecolo Policy Maker Trade Unionist	

Identify your role in the warm chain and use our information cards to find out what you can do. Once you have identified your role, link up with other stakeholders in creating a warm chain in your country or community.



WARM CHAIN OF SUPPORT FOR BREASTFEEDING: The Warm Chain places the mother-baby dyad at the core and follows the first 1,000 days timeline. It strives to link different actors by coordinating efforts at all levels to provide a continuum of care. Each actor or link in the Warm Chain may already be part of an existing initiative such as the BFHI or a community health programme. With consistent messages and proper referral systems throughout the warm chain, the mother-baby dyad will benefit from ongoing support and breastfeeding counselling. All mothers are then empowered with a more satisfying and effective breastfeeding experience. A warm chain of support will help build an enabling environment for breastfeeding and protect against industry influence.

Your involvement in supporting mothers along the WARM CHAIN

Action Timeline	Counselling	Screening	Teaching	Problem solving
Antenatal				
Labour & delivery				
Early contact (1–2 hours)				
Postnatal (within 1 month)				
Ongoing 1 (< 6 months)				
Ongoing 2 (6–24 months)				

Complete a survey to identify your roles along the warm-chain at http://waba.org.my/warm-chain



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