BFHI Implementation in Hong Kong At Public Hospitals

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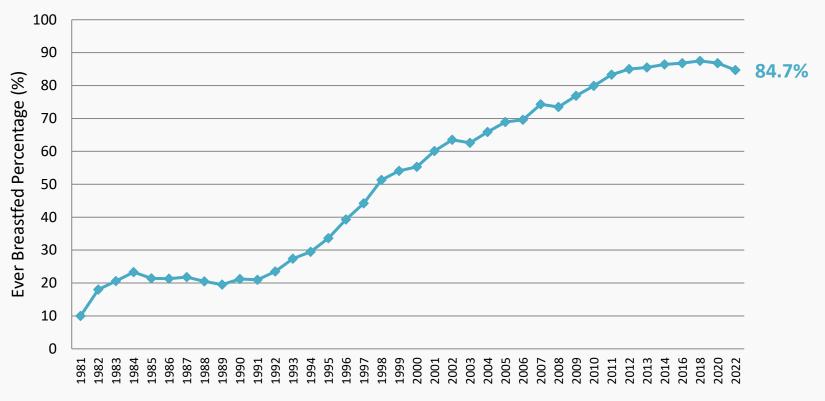
Live Births in HK and Hospital Authority 2016-2023

Year	Live Birth HK*	Live Births in 8 HA hospitals	Change
2016	60, 846	40,769	
2017	56, 548	37,879	-2890 (-7.1%)
2018	53,716	35,619	-2260 (-6.0%)
2019	52,856	34,240	-1379 (-3.9%)
2020	43,031 (-9825, -18.6%)	26,879	-7,361 (-21.5%)
2021	36953 (-6037, -14.0%)	23,391	-3488 (-12.9%)
2022	32950 (-4003, -10.8%)	19,733	-3658 (-15.6%)
2023	33288 ^P (+338, +1.0%)	20741	+1008 (+5.1%)

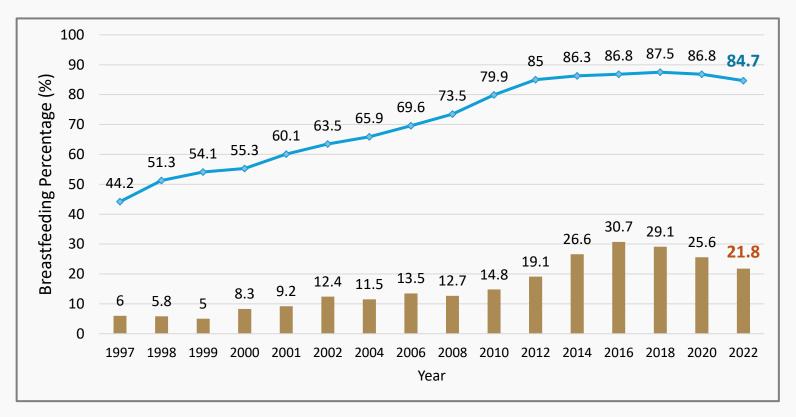
^{*} Source: HK Census and Statistics Department

^P Provisional figure from HKCSD

Percentages of Newborns Ever Breastfed on Discharge from Hospitals Hong Kong, 1981-2022



Breastfeeding Rates on Discharge, 1997-2022



Baby Friendly Hospital Initiatives (BFHI)

- Global initiative of the WHO & UNICEF launched in 1991
- Aims to give every baby the best start in life:
 - by creating a health care environment that supports breastfeeding as a norm
- Includes a global assessment & accreditation scheme





Aim of BFHI

- To implement the "Ten Steps to Successful Breastfeeding"
- Comply with International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes (the Code)



Step 1 Critical Management Procedures

- 1a. Comply fully with the International Code of Marketing of Breast-milk Substitutes & relevant World Health Assembly resolutions
- 1b. Have a written infant feeding policy that is routinely communicated to staff and parents
- 1c. Establish ongoing monitoring & datamanagement systems



Staff Training







Self Learning Kit on Breastfeeding for Health Professionals

Self Learning Kit on Breastfeeding for Health Professionals produced by Dilendeding the Spodementary Chapter on Mether Freedy Childrenth Care &

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Step 3















Antenatal Preparation

- Informed about the benefits and management of breastfeeding
- Responsive feeding
- Keys to successful breastfeeding
- Hold baby model to practice breastfeeding positioning
- Discuss birth plan at 35 weeks
- Develop a close and loving relationship

Mother-Friendly Childbirth

- Birth companion of her own choice
- Free to move & choice of birth position
- To drink and eat light food during labour
- Promote the use of non-pharmacological pain relief methods
- Avoid un-conducive procedure



Step 4









Step 5 & 6























Step 7, 8 & 9















Step 10







Department of Health

Hospital Authority



Professional Lactation Support Resources



Peer Support Resources



Creating a Hospital Environment that Supports Breastfeeding

Policy & Education Materials



















怎知寶寶吃得夠?

How to know if a baby is-getting enough milk?

△ 平均每天餵哺8-12次, 吸啜深而有力

At least 1-2, Black or Black green

Breastfeed about 8-12 times a day, suckle deeply

○ 小便清澈,次數足夠 Increase urine output day-by-day, color is clear



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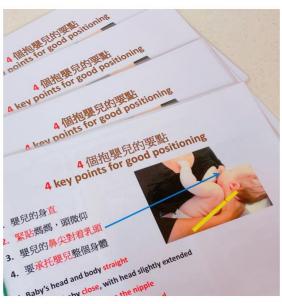






Dolls and teaching aids: facilitate breastfeeding coaching







Breastfeeding group discussion in antenatal ward





Breastfeeding education videos broadcasting





Soft music broadcasting to promote relaxation and rest







HA Breastfeeding Friendly Workplace Policy

Breastfeeding Friendly Workplace Policy

Hospital Authority supports the government policy on breastfeeding friendly workplace and encourage HA staff continue breastfeeding upon returning to work after child delivery. The HAHO/ cluster/ hospital management and supervisors are advised to provide an enabling environment to support lactating staff by implementing the below recommended measures.

- Provide a private space with a comfortable chair and an electric outlet for operating the breast pump.
- b. Provide refrigerating facilities for safe storage of expressed breastmilk.
- c. Allow lactation breaks for expression of breastmilk up to a year after childbirth e.g. two 30-minute lactation breaks or an hour in total for a working day.
- 2. Good communication among management, breastfeeding staff and the other colleagues is essential to attain mutual understanding and harmonious coordination. Staff who are expectant/ breastfeeding mothers are advised to communicate with their supervisors in advance to make necessary arrangement if they plan to continue breastfeeding upon returning to work. Lactation breaks will be arranged as far as practicable while maintaining normal operation of services.
 All colleagues are encouraged to adopt a positive and accepting attitude to

Encourage and facilitate staff to continue breastfeeding when they return to work





Breastfeeding Promotion















HA Breastfeeding Conference



2022





QEH 14:30 - 15:00 Overview on Benefits of Breast Milk Feeding to Preterm & Sick Babies 15:00 - 15:30 Burden of NEC and Impact of Breast Dr Rosanna WONG Milk Donation in Hong Kong COS (Paed), HKCH 15:30 - 15:40 15:40 - 16:10 Donor Human Milk -Dr Sally WONG A Microbilolgical Perspective Con (Path), HKCH 16:10 - 16:40 Preserving the Nutritional Integrity Ms Carman YEUNG of Pasteurized Donor Human Milk Dietitian, HKCH 16:40 - 16:55 Discussion Session 16:55 - 17:00 Closing Ms WONG Sze Ki KCCNC (Breastfeeding) Please log in to register 2024 Postponed to 2025 (Jan 24 & 25)

2023

醫院管理局 HOSPITAL

Program Rundown: 08:45 - 09:00

09:00 - 09:15 Opening Speech

10:30 - 10:45

12:45 - 14:00

09:45 - 10:30 Closing the Gap: Support

10:45 - 11:45 Fortification of Human Milk

11:45 - 12:45 The Power of Human Milk to Help

14:00 - 14:30 Breast Milk Bank Operation:

An Overview

Hospital Authority

Registration

09:15 - 09:45 Implementation skin to skin contact in Ms Amanda Camacho

the NICU: experience in overcoming

challenges from Quebec, Canada

Breastfeeding through BFHI

us Build a World without NEC

Lunch

Breastfeeding Promotion Subcommittee HA Breastfeeding Conference

Speaker

Dr Danny TONG CM(N)/CNE, HOCS

Neonatal nurse, IBCLC

Ms Christine Lam

Dr Sarah N. Taylor MD, MSCR, Yale School of Medicine (USA)

Ms Jennifer Canvasser

Ms WONG Sze Ki

KCCNC (Breastfeeding)

MSW, NEC Society (USA)

APN, HKCH

Time: 09:00 - 17:00

Venue: Zoom / Lecture Theatre

M/F, Hospital Authority Building.

147B Argyle Street.

Join Celebration - World Breastfeeding Week









BFH Accreditation Timeline in HA







Jul

2019

PYNEH







Revalidated in Aug 2019 & Sep 2022





Revalidated in Dec 2022

TMH



Jun

2023



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BFH Revalidation

- Training
- Regular internal audits
- Uphold standard & strengthen practice
- Document & statistics
- Continuous quality improvement



Regular Internal Audit - 1

Mothers Experiences:

- Breastfeeding
- Non-breastfeeding
- Supplementation to breastfed babies
- Mothers with infants in NNU



BFH Audit Plan 2024

2024	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Mothers' Experience						✓						✓
Supplementation to Breastfed Babies			✓			✓			✓			✓
Mothers with Baby in NNU						✓						✓
Marketing Code							✓					
Staff Knowledge									✓			
Preparation of Formula Milk									✓			

Regular Internal Audit - 2

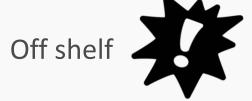
Staff:

- Knowledge & skill
- Prepare formula



Others:

• Compliance of the Code



Document & Statistics

Submit every 12 months after BFH Accreditation to BFHIHKA:

- Audit results
- Infant feeding data
- Evidence that breastmilk substitutes are purchased, and the quantity used

BFH Revalidation















Reports

Report of visit to the hospital with observations on achievements so far and recommendations



Report on Revalidation of Queen Mary Hospital as a Baby-friendly Hospital

Queen Mary Hospital was designated as a baby-friendly hospital in 2018. Audit reports had been submitted annually thereafter. An onsite revalidation assessment was undertaken on 19 and 22 July 2021. The assessors interviewed pregnant women, breastfeeding and non-breastfeeding mothers, obstetric, paediatric, anaesthetic and dietetic staff, and visited hospital areas frequented by pregnant women and new mothers. The hospital is to be congratulated for meeting the standards of revalidation as a baby-friendly hospital.

Below are comments and suggestions following the onsite assessment in line with the Baby-friendly Hospital Initiative being a continuous quality improvement programme.

Step 1

Challenges in Breastfeeding Promotion



- Manpower shortage
- Increase high risk cases required intensive care and neonatal unit admission
- Aggressive marketing of breastmilk substitute
- Information/ education delivery

The Way Forward...







Thank You!