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Family Centered Neonatal and Maternity Care

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In the last 50 or so years, with exponential improvements in survival of mothers and sick newborns, a movement towards bringing back mothers and families to the side of their infants while receiving specialized care has gradually spread. Family centered care, where provider collaboration with the family holds an important and vital role in ensuring the ultimate health and well-being of the infant and mother, has become a fundamental care practice in the neonatal intensive care unit and maternity care service. Though the definition of family centered neonatal and maternity care differs somewhat between the various disciplines, the common concepts include individualized care, which promotes infant–parent engagement, is culturally sensitive, and actively involves the parents/family in decision making.

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