

BABY FRIENDLY ROOM SPECIFICATION

DESIGNATED ROOM(S) FOR MOTHERS TO BREASTFEED THEIR BABIES OR EXPRESS THEIR MILK

- Each entity has to decide the number of rooms/cubicles according to the size & number of staff at the organization.
- The room(s) provided should be clearly identified by the entity.
- Sanitize the room between each and every usage
- Each room should be provided with the following:
- Good sanitary conditions (ventilation, light, cleanliness...)
- Privacy (lockable room or cubicle)
- Comfortable chair(s) with a small table nearby
- Waste bin(s)
- Electric outlet(s) to plug breast pump(s)
- Access to running water (not necessarily in the same room)

Baby Friendly Room Safety Recommendations

Recommendations for mother:

- Use hand sanitizer or wash hands after entering the room.
- Clean the equipment and furniture before and after use.
- Keep the area neat and clean before leaving.

Recommendations on using breast pumps:

- If expressing breast milk either by hand or with a breast pump, the mother should clean her hands before touching any pump or bottle parts.
- Wash hands with soap and water for 20 seconds or apply hand sanitizer before and after expressing.
- If possible, bring your own equipment for expression.

Guideline for Disinfecting baby friendly rooms:

- Cleaning staff should perform hand hygiene.
- Clean all the surfaces including tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, sinks, dials with disinfectants and soft surfaces to be laundered or disinfected.
- More frequent cleaning and disinfection may be required based on level of use.
- Trash bins are emptied frequently.
- Dispensers are checked and filled as needed.
- Breast pumps are spot cleaned.
- Floor stains are spot cleaned.

