



## **Perinatal Hepatitis B Program**

### **By Midwest Asian Health Association (MAHA)**



### **Purpose**

MAHA's Perinatal Hepatitis B Program (PHBP) is to prevent the spread of Hepatitis B virus from infected mothers to newborn infants and ensure infants who are exposed to Hepatitis B are identified, vaccinated, tested, and given timely treatments if needed.



## **How to Protect Your Baby from Hepatitis**

- If you are pregnant, get tested for Hepatitis B.
- If your Hepatitis B test is positive, ask your doctor if you need treatment.
- If your Hepatitis B test is negative, and you don't have immunity, get the Hepatitis B shots.
- Make sure your baby gets the Hepatitis B shot and test on time. It is safe to breastfeed your baby even if you have Hepatitis B

## **Hepatitis B and Pregnancy**

All pregnant women should get a blood test for hepatitis B as part of their prenatal care. Hepatitis B can be easily passed from a pregnant woman with hepatitis B to her baby at birth. This can happen during a vaginal delivery or a c-section. If you have hepatitis B, health care providers can give your baby a set of shots at birth to prevent your baby from getting infected.

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