

Kansas – 2024 Report

mPINC Results

Key points

- **Kansas Total Score***: 81
- **National Total Score***: 82

Implementing best practices and policies in maternity care help to improve breastfeeding outcomes. Use the Kansas mPINC data to bring together partners, identify gaps, celebrate achievements, and prioritize next steps.

Responding Hospitals

In 2024, 46 of 54 eligible hospitals in Kansas participated (85%).

Immediate Postpartum Care

National Subscore: 84 Kansas Subscore: 86

Measure	Kansas Hospitals with Ideal Response
Newborns remain in uninterrupted skin-to-skin contact for at least 1 hour or until breastfed (vaginal delivery)	80%
Newborns remain in uninterrupted skin-to-skin contact for at least 1 hour or until breastfed (cesarean delivery)	56%
Mother-infant dyads are NOT separated before rooming-in (vaginal delivery)	96%
Newborns are monitored continuously for the first 2 hours after birth	74%

Rooming-In

National Subscore: 77 Kansas Subscore: 73

Measure	Kansas Hospitals with Ideal Response
Mother-infant dyads are rooming-in 24 hours/day	98%
Routine newborn exams, procedures, and care occur in the mother’s room	24%
Hospital has a protocol requiring frequent observations of high-risk mother-infant dyads	63%

Feeding Practices

National Subscore: 80 Kansas Subscore: 83

Measure	Kansas Hospitals with Ideal Response
Few breastfeeding newborns receive infant formula	46%
Hospital does NOT perform routine blood glucose monitoring on newborns not at risk for hypoglycemia	93%
When breastfeeding mothers request infant formula, staff counsel them about possible consequences	59%

Feeding Education and Support

National Subscore: 95 Kansas Subscore: 94

Measure	Kansas Hospitals with Ideal Response
Mothers whose newborns are fed formula are taught feeding techniques and how to safely prepare/feed formula	80%
Breastfeeding mothers are taught/shown how to recognize/respond to feeding cues, to breastfeed on-demand, and to understand the risks of artificial nipples/pacifiers	74%
Breastfeeding mothers are taught/shown how to position and latch their newborn, assess effective breastfeeding, and hand express milk	74%

Discharge Support

National Subscore: 78 Kansas Subscore: 78

Measure	Kansas Hospitals with Ideal Response
Discharge criteria for breastfeeding newborns requires direct observation of at least 1 effective feeding at the breast within 8 hours of discharge	59%
Discharge criteria for breastfeeding newborns requires scheduling of the first follow-up with a health care provider	89%
Hospital's discharge support to breastfeeding mothers includes in-person follow-up visits/appointments, personalized phone calls, or formalized, coordinated referrals to lactation providers	89%
Hospital does NOT give mothers any of these items as gifts or free samples: infant formula; feeding bottles/nipples, nipple shields, or pacifiers; coupons, discounts, or educational materials from companies that make/sell infant formula/feeding products	76%

Institutional Management

National Subscore: 77 Kansas Subscore: 70

Measure	Kansas Hospitals with Ideal Response
Nurses are required to demonstrate competency in assessing breastfeeding (milk transfer & maternal pain), assisting with breastfeeding (positioning & latch), teaching hand expression & safe formula preparation/feeding, and demonstrating safe skin-to-skin practices	72%
Hospital requires nurses to be formally assessed for clinical competency in breastfeeding support/lactation management	72%
Hospital records/tracks exclusive breastfeeding throughout the entire hospitalization	84%
Hospital pays a fair market price for infant formula	47%
Hospital has 100% of written policy elements [§]	16%

*Scores range from 0 to 100, with 100 being the best possible score. The “Total Score” is an average of the subscores for the 6 domains.

[§]See the scoring algorithm for specific items at www.cdc.gov/breastfeeding-data/mpinc/scoring.html

Note:

The mPINC survey was redesigned in 2018. Results from the 2024 mPINC survey can be compared with results from 2018-2022 mPINC surveys.

Questions about the mPINC survey?

Visit www.cdc.gov/breastfeeding-data/mpinc/index.html to learn more.

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