Breastfeeding is important for parent and baby. **Human milk promotes ideal child growth and development.**

As your baby grows, your milk will change to meet their nutritional needs. **Breastfeeding can also help protect you and your baby from illnesses and diseases.**

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### Newborn-6 Months

Human milk provides the best nutrition for infants.*

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### 6-12 Months

Human milk and iron rich solid foods meet baby’s nutritional needs.

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### 12-24 Months

Human milk continues to be important along with a balanced diet using MyPlate.

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### 2+ Years

Human milk and a balanced diet support continued child growth and development and provide immune protection.

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*Infants should receive vitamin D supplements starting in the first few days of life. Vitamin D and iron-fortified foods are important for a child’s growth.*


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