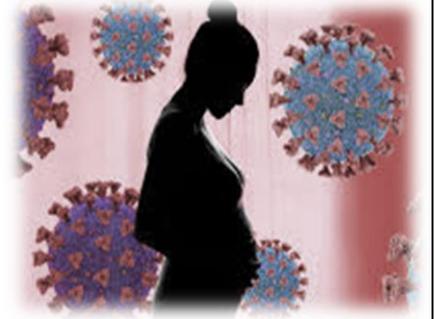


1. Risk to pregnant women of getting COVID-19

- ✓ There is no evidence available so far which shows that pregnant women are at higher risk of getting infected from Covid-19
- ✓ Currently no known difference between the clinical manifestation of Covid-19 among pregnant & non-pregnant women.
- ✓ In providing care, pregnant women should be prioritized than non-pregnant women due to increased care needs.



2. Protect from getting Covid-19 infection

- ✓ Follow same protocols as general public
- ✓ Avoid people who are sick
- ✓ Wear mask if visiting a crowded place
- ✓ Wash your hands regularly

3. Any adverse outcomes:

- ✓ No clear evidence suggesting adverse outcomes in corona positive pregnant women
- ✓ No significant evidence available suggesting vertical transmission during pregnancy.
- ✓ Transplacental transmission has not been documented

4. Infant care:

- ✓ No evidence of presence of virus in breast milk.
- ✓ Initiate breast feeding within one hour of birth & continue if symptoms are mild.
- ✓ Infant may be infected by droplets from coughing due to close contact with mother. So, standard precautions to be taken like washing hands before touching, wearing mask while feeding.
- ✓ A positive person should refrain from giving KMC to a pre-term baby
- ✓ No evidence of long-term effects on infants either with COVID-19 or those exposed to in utero
- ✓ Expressed milk to infant to be given if mother is having severe COVID-19 illness.

5. Risk of pre-term birth (24- 34 weeks):

- ✓ WHO has recommended use of antenatal corticosteroids in patients with no sign of maternal infection.
- ✓ However, in cases with mild COVID-19, clinical benefits of antenatal corticosteroids may outweigh the risk of potential harm to mother. So, women's clinical condition should be assessed.

6. Care of severe COVID-19 patients:

- ✓ In patients having breathing difficulty, first resuscitate & stabilize by >92-95% Oxygen therapy
- ✓ Endotracheal intubation to be done using airborne precautions
- ✓ Place the patient in left lateral decubitus position

Source:

1. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/pregnant-women-faq.html>
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