

Tip Number Three

BABY PAUSE-IA



The Pause Leader (the primary nurse or midwife in the room) gives all of the IA information to the incoming team member.

An important feature of Baby Pause for IA is communication of the FHR baseline:

- Baseline fetal heart **rate**
- **Time** the baseline was established
- **Maternal pulse** rate

The Partogram does not have a specific spot for documenting baseline. FHR Q15Min after contractions is not baseline.

Baseline is established by counting the FHR **between contractions** when baby is not being stressed and while assessing maternal pulse.

You can include baseline FHR in your narrative charting when it is established. It is a good idea to describe how you established the baseline the first time you document it.