# How you can help a new Mummal

# HELPFUL

UNHELPFUL

- Time to settle in at home
- Asking if she needs anything, ie
   \*shower \*nap \* fresh air \* chores
- Tell her you will bring snacks
- Limit visits to 30 mins
- Fill her water bottle
- Make the tea/coffee
- Organise a meal train
- Cook a meal or easy snacks
- Listening and enjoying the "space"
- Check their vaccination rules
- Sanitising your hands
- Asking how she is
- Bringing her a pamper gift
- Hire a cleaner
- Encouragement
- Allow her to debrief on her birth
- Dont try "out-do" her birth story
- Wait to be offered baby cuddles
- Organise a postpartum doula!

- DEEP conversations
- Offloading your problems
- Bringing a toddler to visit
- Diagnosing her baby
- Unsolicitated advice
- "Popping in"
- Visiting when sick
- Negative comments
- Leaving your mess
- Talking loudly
- Not engaging/on mobile phone
- Wearing strong perfume
- No Comparing. All babies develop at different rates.

### RESOURCES

### BREASTFEEDING

Australian Breastfeeding Assoc.

<a href="https://www.breastfeeding.asn.au">https://www.breastfeeding.asn.au</a>

Breastfeeding and Nappies

<a href="https://www.unicef.org.uk/babyfriendly/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2016/10/mothers\_breastfeeding\_checklist.pdf">https://www.unicef.org.uk/babyfriendly/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2016/10/mothers\_breastfeeding\_checklist.pdf</a>

## HEALTH DIRECT VIDEO CALLS

https://about.healthdirect.gov.au/video-call

### SLEEP

https://babysleepconsultant.co/en-au https://education.possumsonline.com/programs/sleep-program https://lyndseyhookway.com

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