

Step 9 certification

To be certified in step 9, it is expected that at least 60% of babies with a documented intention to breastfeed will leave the hospital without using a pacifier (or no more than 40% of babies with a documented intention to breastfeed leave the hospital having used a pacifier), except during brief periods when clinically indicated. Families who intend to breastfeed and are interested in using a pacifier should receive education on the possible implications for breastfeeding.

Please answer the following questions:

1. What percent of babies with a documented intention to breastfeed used a pacifier while in the hospital? _____%

Numerator= number of babies with a documented intention to breastfeed who used a pacifier.

Denominator= number of babies with a documented intention to breastfeed.

2. When a baby with a documented intention to breastfeed uses a pacifier, does the family receive education on the possible implications for breastfeeding?

☐ Yes ☐ No