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Fetal Growth and Development
12-24 WEEKS

The age of your baby may be referred to in trimesters, weeks, of gestation, or "months". The date of conception is approximately 2 weeks after the last menstrual period. The normal length of pregnancy is 40 weeks, 9 calendar months (280 days) or 10 lunar months.

FIRST TRIMESTER

Month 1: At the end of 4 weeks, your baby, called an embryo, reaches 1/2 inch in length. The heart, brain, lungs, eyes and ears have begun to form. The placenta and umbilical cord are developing and the baby is already being protected in a sac of liquid called amniotic fluid.

Month 2: At the end of eight weeks, arms, legs, fingers and toes are beginning to form. The embryo is beginning to look more human. Facial features are more pronounced. External sex organs are present, but it is difficult to distinguish between male and female. The embryo is about one inch long now.

Month 3: At the end of 12 weeks your baby is called a fetus, is about three inches long and weighs 1 ounce. The face is well developed. The arms, legs, fingers and toes are also fully developed and able to move, but mother cannot feel this movement yet.

SECOND TRIMESTER

MONTH 4: At the end of 16 weeks, your baby is about 6 1/2 inches long and weighs 6 ounces. The essential body systems are complete now, and most of the remaining changes involve growth. Your baby's teeth, eyebrows and eyelashes appear. The sex of the baby is easily distinguished. During this time, you may feel the first movements of your baby.

MONTH 5: At the end of 20 weeks, your baby is about 12 inches long and weighs about 1 pound. Hair may appear on the head. Although your baby is still quite thin, she is beginning to deposit fat under her skin. You can easily feel your baby's movement.

MONTH 6: At the end of 24 weeks, your baby is 18 inches long and weighs about 2 pounds. Vernix caseosa, a creamy coating that protect your baby from its watery environment appears. The eyes can open and your baby can hear.