Modules	Contents	Theory Hours	Skill lab & Clinicals Hours
Module I- Pregnancy events and care	Welcome. Course expectations. Core beliefs and attitudes towards birth. Clarifying role in improving the maternal health First trimester of pregnancy - Mother, partner and baby. Relief of early discomforts. Prenatal testing. Record keeping. Creating own relaxation space for candidate, Antenatal visits, Nutrition in pregnancy and Basics of antenatal care. Identification of high risk pregnancy. Identification of warning signs (Maternal alerts)	4	20
	Second trimester – Mother, partner and baby. Nutrition and exercise in pregnancy. Natural remedies for minor discomforts. Relaxation techniques. Consent in pregnancy and labor before any procedure. Identification of high risk pregnancy Identification of warning signs (Maternal alerts), importance of prenatal attachment programme	4	20

	 Third trimester – Mother, partner and baby. Identification of possible complications of the third trimester. Positions of the baby. Optimum birthing positions. Preparedness for emergency situations. Identification and special care of high risk cases. Preparation for child birth Active listening. Effective communication. Pre-labor. Fear in birth. Identification of warning signs (Maternal alerts) Prenatal preparations What to take to hospital? 	3	14
	Hospital records, Enough money Maternal clothing Baby clothes Emergency phone numbers Identification of false labor pains		
	 What to expect when EDD has crossed Birth Plans Difficult Labors Knowledge about birthing process Birth methods / places / preferences Lamaze training techniques 		
	Enhance the core competencies by laying extra emphasis on key areas for better adaptation in new Health care delivery system To enhance communication skills as at first specific language requirement To promote the soft skills required to provide efficient care to patient belonging to different cultural communities	1	6
Module II- Labor events and care	Established labor role of hormones that can cause pain in labor. Role of partners. Role of candidate in supporting the family and mother Understanding the respectful maternity care Transition signs of 2nd stage of labor. Understanding the physiology of labor Reassessment of the candidate's role. Her bag. Birth plans and preferences. Positive affirmations. Maternal decision making. Pain and its contributors	7	20
	Labor Support- Emotional support during labor, Positive affirmations, Natural pain relief- Breathing exercises during labor, music therapy, back massage and Shiatsu therapy, Bradly (husband coached labor) in labor, birthing balls in labor, Comfortable positioning during labor and Positive talks with laboring woman Support in Labor Interventions • Labor analgesia • Medications for labor induction /augmentation • Time to time informed consents • Monitoring of maternal vitals, FHS and labor progress	7	20

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	Preparation for Caesareans births. Vaginal births after	4	20
	caesarean section (VBAC). Understanding the Infection		
	Control and Universal safety precautions	_	
	Unexpected outcomes. Dealing with Grieving and healing.		
	Miscarriage, termination and stillbirth laws. End of Life		
	Self-awareness. Personal supervision – why and who? De-		
	briefing		
	Siblings at birth. Introducing older children.		
Module	Understanding the physiology of puerperium	4	20
-	Establishment of lactation and breast feeding		
Postpartum	Breastfeeding Basics		
events and	Positions		
care	• Colostrum		
	Important Points to Remember		
	• Sore Nipples		
	Postpartum Breast Engorgement		
	Breast Infection (Mastitis)		
	Plugged Ducts		
	Care in bottle feeding if required		
	Formula Feeding		
	• Preparing Formula		
	Episiotomy and LSCS wound care.		
	Follow-up care		
	Family dynamics after child-birth – adopting to situation in		
	family		
	Customs and beliefs in relation to puerperium		
	Being a postpartum care taker for Safety of mother and		
	newborn		
			20
	Baby growth and development. Vitamin K and Hep B.	4	20
	Routine new-born checks. Procedures and screening.		
	Understanding sleep and settling for babies. New parents		
	support. 24 hr clock.		
	The role in the postnatal period. Working with		
	complex needs clients. Professional boundaries. Indigenous		
	birthing culture.		
	Review: Pregnancy; Labor and Birth; Post-Natal	-	
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	Starting your own business. Working under		
	agreements. ADC Community and ongoing support.	_	
	Family planning methods and postnatal visits, exercises		
	Newborn baby Care	10	20
	1. Basics of essential newborn care –		
	Physiological adaptation – normal characteristics		
	Daily assessment		
	Prevention of infections and hypothermia		
	• Role of Companion in care of the newborn		
	• Hygienic practices during handling of baby		
	2. Baby's appearance:		
	• Skin		
	• Legs		
	• Head and face		
	• Eyes		
	Essential reflexes		

3. Basic care activities:	
 Baby body massage and Bathing 	
• Diapering	
Umbilical cord care	
4. Top feeding:	
 Preparing formula 	
 Cleaning of bottles 	
 Frequency of feeding 	
 Positioning and burping of the baby 	
 Sleep patterns of newborn 	
 Playing and interacting 	
5. Common problems during newborn care:	
• Diaper rash	
Constipation	
• Diarrhoea	
• Fever	
 Choking due to mucus or milk 	
 Colds and other illnesses 	
 Crying and colic 	
 Preventing - shaken baby syndrome 	
• Jaundice	
 Thrush and other yeast infections 	
 Change in behaviour (irritability or lethargy) 	
 Rapid or slow breathing 	
6. Safety guidelines	
 Safety from toxic materials 	
 Safety during sleep 	
Second hand smoke	
 Safety during travel 	
7. Immunization	
 National Immunization Program 	
 Scheduling visits 	
Care after immunization	
 Maintenance of records 	