



#### MOM'S GUIDE

**Motherhood in every stage** 

## FIRST TRIMESTER OF PREGNANCY









- Your hearts pumps 40-50% more blood during pregnancy.
- Your baby's organs are formed during the 1st trimester.





Increasing your folate intake during your first trimester.





Stop smoking, drinking alcohol and taking drugs.





You are officially pregnant.





Your baby's placenta is forming. An important organ in pregnancy that's considered a lifeline between you and your baby.



Your baby's heart will now start beating.

#### Week





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Start thinking of alternatives for giving birth. Find the health care provider that suits your needs.



At this stage, your baby is about the size of a grape.



Start doing pelvic exercises.



Healthy and balanced nutrition is important as your baby starts to eat and drink what you consume.



Start taking omega-3 supplements.

### Ist Trimester Vecklist

#### Take Care of Yourself

- Consult your doctor about any medications.
- Make sure your activities are pregnancy-safe.
- Read up on safe foods for pregnancy.
- Buy some new clothes, including supportive bras.

#### Plan Your Doctor's Visit

- Make a prenatal appointment.
- Learn the signs of a pregnancy problems.
- Use a journal to record observations & questions.

#### Preparing For Baby

- Write down your pregnancy memories.
- Talk to your partner about parenting.
- Start a baby name list.

#### Fuel Your Body

- Take up your prenatal vitamins.
- Stock up on healthy foods and eat a balanced diet.
- Try to exercise for 30 minutes daily.
- Reduce caffeine intake.
- Decrease your stress.
- Get plenty of sleep.
- Hydrate.
- Take pregnancy power naps.
- Quit smoking & drinking.

#### Revise Your Pregnancy Plan

- Check your health insurance.
- Start saving for your baby budget.
- Consider on-the-job safety.



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