

ANTENATAL CARE IN BALBRIGGAN FAMILY PRACTICE

WHEN YOU SHOULD ATTEND FOR YOUR ANTENATAL VISITS

On your first visit the doctor will provide the initial examination, if possible, from 5 to 6 weeks gestation. At this visit you should complete the mother and infant scheme application form. You will need your PPS number in order to do this. Antenatal care will be paid for by the HSE once your application has been accepted. Non pregnancy related conditions are not covered within this scheme. A further 5 examinations will be carried out by the GP. The schedule of visits may be changed by the GP and or the hospital obstetrician depending on your individual situation. The visits will be more frequent once you reach 35 weeks. After the birth of your baby the GP will examine the baby at 2 weeks and both the mother and baby at 6 weeks.

SCHEDULE OF VISITS		
WEEKS GESTATION	VISIT TO YOUR GP	VISIT TO YOUR MATERNITY HOSPITAL
BEFORE 12 WEEKS	*	
BEFORE 20 WEEKS		*
24 WEEKS	*	
28 WEEKS	*EXCEPT FOR FIRST PREGNANCY	* IF FIRST PREGNANCY
32 WEEKS		*
34 WEEKS	*	
36 WEEKS		*
37 WEEKS	*	
38 WEEKS		*
39 WEEKS	*	
40 WEEKS		*
BIRTH OF BABY		
WEEKS AFTER BIRTH	BABY TO SEE GP	
6 WEEKS AFTER BIRTH	MOTHER & BABY TO SEE GP	