

## What is Babies Best Start?

Babies Best Start is a program that Nemaha Valley Community Hospital began in 2011 to help provide qualifying newborns with basic supplies. The cost of raising a child is great, and our goal is to alleviate some of the cost, so families can focus on caring for their infant without the worry of the extra financial burden. We do not supply everything that is needed, but recipients are given necessary supplies to help meet their needs.

The program was developed and is managed by our Social Worker. For questions about the program contact Krista Stallbaumer at 785-336-6181



## Our Vision, Our Mission, Our Values

*Our Vision:* A hospital that meets the primary needs to Nemaha and surrounding counties within the scope of its resources and staff.

*Our Mission:* To provide quality primary health care needs to Nemaha County and surrounding communities.

*Our Values:* Compassion, Dedication, Quality Outcomes



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# NEMAHA VALLEY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

## *Babies Best Start*



## How to Qualify

- Apply to the program
- Have primary custody of applicable infant age 1 or younger.
- Be a patient of Seneca Family Practice or a Nemaha County Resident

Meets one of the following:

- Custodial parent has Kancare (United Healthcare, Amerigroup, Sunflower) or Medicaid as insurer.
- Meets income guidelines



## How to Apply

An application is required and can be found online at [www.nemvch.com](http://www.nemvch.com) or at Nemaha Valley Community Hospital. Mothers are encouraged to apply to the program while pregnant to ensure supplies are given shortly after delivery.

Those who qualify are allowed access to the program until the infant's first birthday.

## What you will receive

This program is strictly supported by donations, so each package is unique based on the supplies that have been donated. The basic package generally consists of diapers, wipes, diaper rash ointment, soap, lotion, thermometer, infant clippers, pacifiers, blankets, burp cloths, clothing, Vaseline, bottle, towel, and nursing supplies, if breastfeeding. The social worker will evaluate your critical needs and more items can be given as needed.

Parent's can request additional items until the infant's first birthday. Additional items will be issued on a case by case basis. This program is not intended to provide all needed supplies, simply to supplement when necessary.

## How to Donate to the Program

Nemaha Valley Community Hospital is a not for profit organization. This program operates strictly on donations from our local community. The life of this program is in the hands of our community members and can only continue if we, as a community, continue to support the program.

Monetary donations to the Babies Best Start program are accepted at Nemaha Valley Community Hospital at any time. The program also accepts new and unused infant supplies and clothing.

A fun way to raise donations is by hosting a supply drive. Many schools, churches and local businesses have had much success with drives. Call Krista Stallbaumer at 785-336-6181 to see what supplies are in need.



Krista Stallbaumer receiving a generous donation from the community.