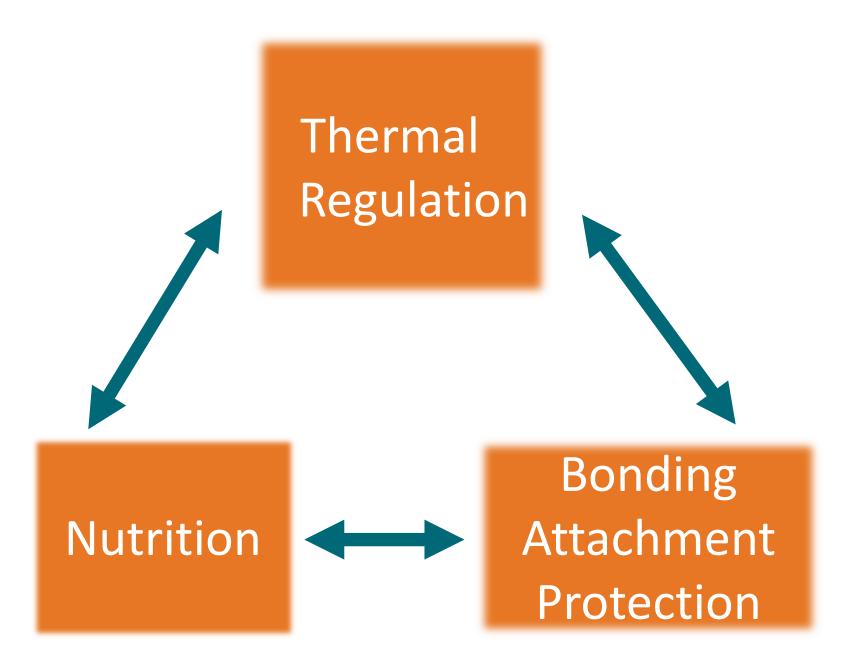


Kangaroo Care



Conceptual Model



When

- Immediately Following Birth
 - Vaginal or Cesarean
- Stable
 - Term or Preterm
- Feeding
 - Breast or Formula
- On-going for Tummy Time
 - Skin-to-skin or Dressed



Positioning



How

- Skin to skin
- Chest to chest
- Upright
- Flexed like a frog
- Head to the side
- Blanket covering back
- Mom/Dad reclined 30-80°

Benefits

- Stabilizes all newborn vital signs
- Stabilizes newborn blood glucose
- Promotes newborn feeding behaviors
- Decreases pain perception
- Increases socialization/bonding
- Promotes milk production
- Improves postpartum recovery
- Improves satisfaction of care
- Increases breastfeeding rates
- Decreases crying & improves sleep
- Improves growth & development
- Improves maternal confidence
- Reduces risk of Infection

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