

# WAYS TO FEED A BABY ON AN INCUBATOR



## Parenteral feeding



- Baby is unwell, or the digestive system is unable to digest
- Administered through intravenous (IV) lines
- Solutions of sugars, electrolytes, and nutrients are administered

## Nasogastric feeding



- When the digestive system is ready, but the baby cannot swallow
- Small tubes are inserted from the nose or mouth to the stomach
- Breast milk or infant formula is given

## Breastfeeding and bottle-feeding



- When baby can coordinate sucking and swallowing
- Pumped breast milk or infant formula is given
- Breastfeeding is initiated if the baby is ready

