This protocol is for trained CIP Paramedics only. If during assessment, procedure, or treatment the patient is found to have a medical emergency in need of hospital treatment, the CIP visit will be suspended, and local MCA protocols utilized.

Purpose: To provide additional guidelines beyond the CIP General Assessment and Care for evaluating, caring for and educating mothers and infants post- partum.

1. Follow CIP Patient General Assessment and Care protocol
2. Obtain additional vital signs, history, and diagnostics pertinent to condition and/or as ordered by physician which may include:
	1. Vitals/physical assessment:
		1. Mother
			1. Blood pressure both manual and automated
			2. Weight
		2. Infant
			1. Weight
			2. Temperature
			3. Heart Rate
			4. Jaundice presence



* + - * 1. Adequacy of feeding
				2. Wakefulness/waking to feed
				3. Stool transition
	1. History
		1. Mother
			1. Feelings of depression
			2. Eating, sleeping and self-care
			3. Complications with pregnancy
		2. Infant
			1. Feeding habits
	2. Environment
		1. Safe sleeping arrangement for infant
		2. PEAT scale
	3. Diagnostics:
		1. Depression screening
1. Consider transport to the emergency department for the following:
	1. Infant temperature > or equal to 100.4 degrees OR < 96 degrees Fahrenheit as taken rectally.
	2. Infant HR > 200.
	3. Infant current weight less than birth weight minus 10%.
	4. Maternal hemorrhage (use of greater than one maxi pad per hour)
	5. Maternal signs of anemia with or without signs of external hemorrhage
	6. Maternal signs of eclampsia
2. On-scene medication administration may include:
	1. Use of approved MCA protocols and medications up to the extent of standard paramedic treatment according to protocol.
3. On-scene education and suggested support sources may include:
	1. Nutrition and supplements
	2. Breastfeeding resources
	3. Postpartum depression support
	4. Newborn safety including:
		1. Safe sleeping recommendations/resource
		2. Car seat safety
		3. Infant CPR
		4. Shaken baby syndrome