7 Steps of Hand Expression



Press back (behind nipple and areola)



Relax

- 1. Wash your hands.
- 2. Gently massage your breast.
- Place your fingers and thumb behind the areola in a "C" shape.
- 4. Press back towards your chest. Compress your fingers together and towards nipple. Relax and stop compressing.
- 5. Collect drops of milk (e.g. cup, spoon, syringe) to feed your baby or store for later.
- Repeat (press back, compress, relax) and move around your breast.
- 7. Switch breasts and repeat.

You may only get drops of milk each time you express. A few drops are perfect for your new baby's tummy size.

## Do you need help with breastfeeding?

## Breastfeeding takes time for you and your baby to learn.

## We can help.

Connect with a public health nurse at Niagara Parents to ask any breastfeeding questions or learn about ways to get in-person help.

If you need evening or weekend help call Telehealth and speak to their free lactation consultant 1-866-797-0000





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