NURSING CARE PLAN FOR NEONATAL CARE:

Assessment	Nursing Diagnosis	Goal/Expected Outcome	Intervention/Planning	Implementation	Rationale	Evaluation
Subjective Data: - Parent reports poor feeding and lethargy. Objective Data: - Low weight gain; weak sucking reflex; decreased responsiveness.	Imbalanced Nutrition: Less Than Body Requirements related to inadequate feeding as evidenced by weight loss and poor intake.	Short-Term: - Within 48 hours, the newborn will consume small, frequent meals. Long-Term: - The newborn will achieve steady weight gain and improved energy levels.	Develop a structured feeding plan with a dietitian; educate parents on effective feeding techniques.	Assist with feeding; monitor weight daily; provide nutritional supplements as prescribed.	Adequate nutrition supports growth and energy levels in newborns.	Weight gain stabilizes; feeding improves; lab markers reflect better nutrition.
Subjective Data: - Parent reports episodes of apnea and irregular breathing. Objective Data: - Irregular respiratory patterns; low oxygen saturation; signs	Impaired Gas Exchange related to respiratory distress as evidenced by irregular breathing and low oxygen saturation.	Short-Term: - Within 1 hour, oxygen saturation improves and respiratory rate normalizes. Long-Term: - The newborn maintains stable respiratory function with	Initiate oxygen therapy and monitor respiratory status closely; adjust oxygen delivery as needed.	Provide supplemental oxygen; monitor saturation continuously; reassess respiratory patterns frequently.	Supporting gas exchange is vital for overall health and development.	Oxygen levels improve; respiratory distress decreases; clinical signs stabilize.

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Subjective Data: - Parent expresses concern about temperature fluctuations. Objective Data: - Low body temperature; signs of thermal instability.	Ineffective Thermoregulation related to immature physiological systems as evidenced by low body temperature.	Short-Term: - Within 1 hour, the newborn's temperature stabilizes within normal range. Long-Term: - The newborn maintains a stable body temperature with ongoing care.	Use an incubator or radiant warmer to maintain a neutral thermal environment; monitor temperature regularly.	Adjust incubator settings; monitor temperature every 15 minutes; provide skin-to-skin contact if appropriate.	Stable temperature supports metabolic function and overall growth.	Temperature stabilizes; thermal regulation improves; parents report increased comfort.
Subjective Data: - Parent appears anxious about managing newborn care. Objective Data: - Parent asks questions and shows uncertainty in care practices.	Ineffective Health Management related to insufficient knowledge about neonatal care as evidenced by parental anxiety and inconsistent care.	Short-Term: - Within 24 hours, the parent will verbalize key aspects of newborn care. Long-Term: - The parent will consistently follow the care plan and attend follow-up appointments.	Develop an education plan that includes clear instructions on newborn care; use visual aids and written materials.	Conduct individual teaching sessions; provide handouts; schedule regular reviews to reinforce learning.	Education empowers parents to manage their newborn's care effectively.	Parent demonstrates understanding; adherence to the care plan improves; follow- up visits confirm consistency.