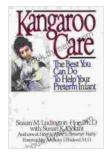
The Best You Can Do To Help Your Preterm Infant: A Guide for Parents

Premature infants, also known as preemies, are babies born before 37 weeks of gestation. They are often born with underdeveloped organs and systems, which can make them more vulnerable to health problems. As a parent of a preterm infant, you may be feeling overwhelmed and unsure of how to best care for your child. This guide will provide you with the knowledge and strategies you need to support your preterm infant's development and wellbeing.



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Chapter 1: Understanding Your Preterm Infant

In this chapter, you will learn about the unique challenges and triumphs of caring for premature babies. You will also learn about the different stages of development that preterm infants go through, from birth to discharge from the hospital.

Topics covered in this chapter:

- The causes of preterm birth
- The health risks associated with preterm birth
- The different stages of development for preterm infants
- The importance of bonding with your preterm infant

Chapter 2: Caring for Your Preterm Infant

In this chapter, you will learn about the specific care that preterm infants need. You will learn about feeding, nutrition, bathing, dressing, and diapering your preterm infant. You will also learn about the importance of preventing infection and promoting your infant's development.

Topics covered in this chapter:

- Feeding your preterm infant
- Nutrition for preterm infants
- Bathing and dressing your preterm infant
- Diapering your preterm infant
- Preventing infection in preterm infants
- Promoting your preterm infant's development

Chapter 3: Emotional Support for Parents of Preterm Infants

Caring for a preterm infant can be an emotionally challenging experience. In this chapter, you will learn about the different emotions that parents of preterm infants often experience. You will also learn about coping mechanisms and resources that can help you to manage your emotions and provide support for your family.

Topics covered in this chapter:

- The emotional challenges of caring for a preterm infant
- Coping mechanisms for parents of preterm infants
- Resources for parents of preterm infants

Chapter 4: Discharge Planning for Your Preterm Infant

When your preterm infant is ready to be discharged from the hospital, you will need to make plans for their care at home. In this chapter, you will learn about the different discharge planning services that are available to you. You will also learn about the responsibilities that you will have as a parent of a preterm infant at home.

Topics covered in this chapter:

- The discharge planning process
- The different discharge planning services that are available
- The responsibilities of parents of preterm infants at home

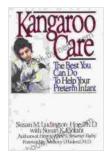
Caring for a preterm infant can be a challenging but rewarding experience. By following the advice in this guide, you can help your preterm infant to thrive and reach their full potential.

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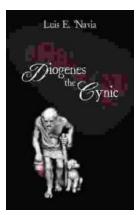
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