

Pushed The Painful Truth About Childbirth And Modern Maternity Care Jennifer Block

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Jennifer Block fearlessly exposes the often-overlooked and painful truths surrounding childbirth and modern maternity care. This critical examination delves into real birth experiences, challenging prevailing narratives and prompting essential discussions about improving maternal health and support systems.

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The Thinking Woman's Guide to a Better Birth

As an intelligent woman, you are probably used to learning as much as you can before making major decisions. But when it comes to one of the most important decisions of your life--how you will give birth—it is hard to gather accurate, unbiased information. Surprisingly, much of the research does not support common medical opinion and practice. Birth activist Henci Goer gives clear, concise information based on the latest medical studies. *The Thinking Woman's Guide to a Better Birth* helps you compare and contrast your various options and shows you how to avoid unnecessary procedures, drugs, restrictions, and tests. The book covers: Cesareans Breech babies Inducing labor Electronic Fetal Monitoring Rupturing Membranes Coping with slow labor Pain medication Epistiotomy Vaginal birth after a Cesarean Doula's Deciding on a doctor or midwife Choosing where to have your baby and much more . . .

Everything Below the Waist

Elle's 30 BEST BOOKS OF THE SUMMER "A jaw-dropping investigation into the women's health industry." —Shelf-Awareness "A fascinating examination of the past and present of women's health-care" —Delfina V Barbiero, USA TODAY "A must-read for women, especially any woman who might ever need to see a doctor." —The Washington Post American women visit more doctors, have more surgery, and fill more prescriptions than men. In *Everything Below the Waist*, Jennifer Block asks: Why is the life expectancy of women today declining relative to women in other high-income countries, and even relative to the generation before them? Block examines several staples of modern women's health care, from fertility technology to contraception to pelvic surgery to miscarriage treatment, and finds that while overdiagnosis and overtreatment persist in medicine writ large, they are particularly acute for women. One third of mothers give birth by major surgery; roughly half of women lose their uterus to hysterectomy. Feminism turned the world upside down, yet to a large extent the doctors' office has remained stuck in time. Block returns to the 1970s women's health movement to understand how in today's supposed age of empowerment, women's bodies are still so vulnerable to medical control—particularly their sex organs, and as result, their sex lives. In this urgent book, Block tells the stories of patients, clinicians, and reformers, uncovering history and science that could revolutionize the standard of care, and change the way women think about their health. *Everything Below the Waist* challenges all people to take back control of their bodies.

Birth Matters

Ina May Gaskin asserts that the way in which women become mothers is a women's rights issue, and it is perhaps the act that most powerfully exhibits what it is to be instinctually human. *Birth Matters* is a spirited manifesto showing us how to trust women, value birth, and reconcile modern life with a process as old as our species.

Birth as an American Rite of Passage

Why do so many American women allow themselves to become enmeshed in the standardized routines of technocratic childbirth--routines that can be insensitive, unnecessary, and even unhealthy? Anthropologist Robbie Davis-Floyd first addressed these questions in the 1992 edition. Her new preface to this 2003 edition of a book that has been read, applauded, and loved by women all over the world, makes it clear that the issues surrounding childbirth remain as controversial as ever.

A Good Birth

Drawing on a landmark study involving more than one hundred pregnant women and mothers, a renowned OB/GYN synthesizes the secrets to a good birth—medically and emotionally. Most doctors are trained to think of a “good” birth only in terms of its medical success. But Dr. Anne Lyerly knows firsthand that there are many other important elements that often get overlooked. Her three-year study of a diverse group of over one hundred expectant moms asked what matters most to women during childbirth. The results, presented to the public for the first time in *A Good Birth*, show what really matters goes beyond the clinical outcome or even the usual questions of hospital versus birthing center, and reveal universal needs of women, like the importance of feeling connected, safe, and respected. Bringing a new perspective to childbirth, the book's wisdom is drawn from in-depth interviews with women with a wide variety of backgrounds and experiences, and whose birth stories range from quick and simple to complicated and frightening. Describing what went well, what didn't, and what they'd do differently next time, these mothers give voice to the complete experience of childbirth, helping both women and their healthcare providers develop strategies to address the emotional needs of the mother, going beyond the standard birth plans and conversations. Transcending the “medical” versus “natural” childbirth debate, *A Good Birth* paves the entryway to motherhood, turning our attention to the deeper and more important question of what truly makes for the best birth possible.

Research Methods: The Basics

Research Methods: The Basics is an accessible, user-friendly introduction to the different aspects of research theory, methods and practice. Structured in two parts, the first covering the nature of knowledge and the reasons for research, and the second the specific methods used to carry out effective research, this book covers: structuring and planning a research project the ethical issues involved in research different types of data and how they are measured collecting and analyzing data in order to draw sound conclusions devising a research plan.

Cut It Out

Of comparative developed countries, only Brazil and Italy have higher c-section rates; c-sections occur in only 19 percent of births in France, seventeen percent of births in Japan, and sixteen percent of births in Finland. How did this happen? Here the author challenges most existing explanations of the unprecedented rise in c-section rates, which locate the cause of this trend in physicians practicing defensive medicine, women choosing c-sections for scheduling reasons, or women's poor health and older ages. The explanation of the c-section epidemic is more complicated, taking into account the power and structure of legal, political, medical, and professional organizations; gendered ideas that devalue women; hospital organizational structures and protocols; and professional standards in the medical and insurance communities.

Born in the USA

Born in the USA examines issues including midwifery and the safety of out-of-hospital birth, how the process of becoming a doctor can adversely affect both practitioners and their patients, and why there has been a rise in the use of risky but doctor-friendly interventions, including the use of Cytotec, a drug that has not been approved by the FDA for pregnant women. Most importantly, this

investigation, supported by many troubling personal stories, explores how women can reclaim the childbirth experience for the betterment of themselves and their children."--Jacket.

Childbirth Education

Here's the fully revised and updated new edition of the only comprehensive book on childbirth education! Edited by two well-known educators and practitioners, it provides authoritative, research-based coverage of all of the theoretical and practical knowledge in this field.

Optimal Care in Childbirth

Meticulously documented, *Optimal Care in Childbirth* pulls back the curtain on medical-model management of childbirth. Written for those who want to practice according to the best evidence, assist women in making informed decisions, or advocate for maternity care reforms, it provides an in-depth analysis of the evidence basis for physiologic care.

Nurturing the Nations

Our world is filled with nations that are impoverished largely because half of their people—the female population—are disenfranchised. But this is not just a book about women; it is a book that deals with the intersection of three seemingly very different subjects: women, poverty and world view. *Nurturing the Nations* explains how the ideas that societies embrace create healthy or impoverished cultures and supports that theory with information regarding domestic violence, murder and pornography. The book addresses one of the greatest causes of worldwide poverty, the lie that men are superior to women. In noting that the world view of a culture frames how it understands women and men, various paradigms are studied, such as Hinduism and Animism, showing how they lead to the abuse and hatred of women. This topic cannot be addressed without studying the Trinity as a model for male-female relationships. Servanthood, submission and the transcendence of sexuality are all discussed based on the idea that male and female were created equal in being but different in function. The book concludes with a look at the history of women in the Old and New Testament—how they were established as the co-laborers of men in the development of creation and the liberating challenge Jesus issued to the sexist culture of his day. *Nurturing the Nations* is for Christians who are interested in the issue of poverty; missionaries; relief and development workers; and Christians who are working with poor and abused women.

The Labor Progress Handbook

Praise for the previous edition: "This...edition is timely, useful, well organized, and should be in the bags of all doulas, nurses, midwives, physicians, and students involved in childbirth." —*Journal of Midwifery and Women's Health* *The Labor Progress Handbook: Early Interventions to Prevent and Treat Dystocia* is an unparalleled resource on simple, non-invasive interventions to prevent or treat difficult or prolonged labor. Thoroughly updated and highly illustrated, the book shows how to tailor one's care to the suspected etiology of the problem, using the least complex interventions first, followed by more complex interventions if necessary. This new edition now includes a new chapter on reducing dystocia in labors with epidurals, new material on the microbiome, as well as information on new counselling approaches specially designed for midwives to assist those who have had traumatic childbirths. Fully referenced and full of practical instructions throughout, *The Labor Progress Handbook* continues to be an indispensable guide for novices and experts alike who will benefit from its concise and accessible content.

Pregnancy, Childbirth, and the Newborn

If you only buy one pregnancy book, this should be the one! It's the most complete. It covers all aspects of childbearing, from conception through early infancy, and tells you what to expect. It offers detailed information, suggestions on decisions to make, and advice on steps to take to have a safe and satisfying experience. The Award-Winning Resource Recommended by Experts & Loved by Parents Parents love this book because it puts them in control by explaining a wide range of options, information, and questions to ask, so parents can find what works best for their health situation, personal goals, and priorities. Experts love this book because it's based on the latest medical research and recommendations from leading health organizations. It's practical—rooted in the real-life experiences of new families. The five authors bring a combined total of 150 years of experience working with expectant and new families as educators, nurses, counselors, doulas, physical therapists, and

lactation consultants. They have attended hundreds of births, heard thousands of birth stories, and assisted innumerable new parents in adapting to their new lives. Not only that, the authors have a combined total of 12 children and 12 grandchildren. All of this experience allows them to write with compassion, understanding, and wisdom based on what really works in the real-world of parenting. The companion website offers even more details on select subjects, including lists of all the best resources on each topic and worksheets to guide parents' decision-making process. The website also includes a bonus chapter on pre-conception, which provides ways to improve your health and fertility before pregnancy begins.

Pregnancy & Childbirth Secrets

"This national bestselling book will assist you in preparing for a positive childbirth experience and creating an easier, safer and gentler childbirth, whether you have your baby in a hospital, at a birth center or at home. The pregnancy and childbirth secrets in the book are from mothers, top childbirth professionals and researchers."--Back cover

Birth

A journalist "explores the way childbirth has changed, from pre-history to the present" in this "fascinating, funny and occasionally shocking" historical survey (Kirkus Reviews, starred review). From midwives to the epidural and beyond, mother and former Boston Globe editor Tina Cassidy presents an intelligent, enlightening, and impeccably researched cultural history of how we handle the process of childbirth. Why is it that every culture and generation seems to have its own ideas about the best way to give birth? Touching on peculiar practices from across the globe as well as the very different experiences of mothers in her own family, Cassidy explores the physical, anthropological, political, and religious factors that have and will continue to influence how women bring new life into the world. "Birth is a power-packed book. . . . A lively, engaging, and often witty read, a quirky, eye-opening account of one of life's most elemental experiences." —The Boston Globe "Well-researched and engaging . . . Birth is a clever, almost irreverent look at an enduring everyday miracle." —Entertainment Weekly "Wonderful. Packed full of information, a brilliant mixture of ancient wisdom and modern science." —Kate Mosse, author of the New York Times bestseller, *Labyrinth*

She Births

What role does oxytocin play in the many changes that occur during pregnancy and breastfeeding designed to make mothers better mothers? How does birth, breastfeeding, and skin-to-skin contact affect oxytocin release? How do birth interventions--epidurals, Cesarean sections, oxytocin infusions, and medications--impact oxytocin release? And how does oxytocin release (or lack of) impact the mother and baby? After many years of researching oxytocin, author, physician, and researcher Dr. Kerstin Uvnas-Moberg presents compelling scientific data that demonstrates the important role oxytocin plays in motherhood. In this book Dr. Uvnas-Moberg describes how oxytocin helps mothers access an inborn female competence that helps them transition to motherhood and give birth more easily, feel better after birth, breastfeed with fewer problems, and establish a good connection with their children. She also explains the impact oxytocin release has on infants--helping them become better at handling stressful situations and impacting their future health. This book provides scientific data to demonstrate that oxytocin plays an important role far beyond stimulation of uterine contractions during birth and milk ejection during breastfeeding, including the following: Oxytocin is a signaling substance in the brain that when released during birth, skin-to-skin contact, and breastfeeding induces important physiological and psychological adaptations in the mother and infant. The way we give birth, handle, feed, and interact with our infants may influence the release of oxytocin and the development of the both short-term and long-term oxytocin-linked effects in both mothers and infants. Medical interventions during birth may influence the release of oxytocin and the development of the oxytocin-linked effects. Anyone working with pregnant and breastfeeding mothers will find this book enlightening and thought-provoking. It will give you evidenced-based information to change practices to protect oxytocin release during birth and in the postpartum period and to better inform new mothers about the role oxytocin plays in pregnancy, birth, and breastfeeding; the importance of natural birth, skin-to-skin contact, and breastfeeding; and the impact of birth interventions."

Oxytocin

Drawn from three years of research including interviews with over 100 new mothers, Placksin covers everything from homecare options, postpartum depression, breastfeeding problems, workplace negotiation strategies, adjusting to full-time motherhood, and more.

Mothering the New Mother

Although there is little clinical evidence suggesting that episiotomies should be carried out routinely, over 200,000 of these operations are performed every year in the UK and over 1.5 million in the US. This book focuses on the process of innovation and change in the use of this controversial procedure by tracing the evolution of its liberal or routine use in the UK and the US. It discusses the influence of professional and institutional pressure on bringing about change, and highlights the importance of the recent backlash by midwives and women's groups to greatly reduce the use of this procedure. *Episiotomy: Challenging Obstetric Interventions* is an essential text for all those involved in effecting change within midwifery practice and management.

Episiotomy

For a Safe and Healthy Birth... Your Way! *Giving Birth with Confidence* will help take the mystery out of having a baby and help you better understand how your body works during pregnancy and childbirth, giving you the confidence to make decisions that best ensure the safety and health of you and your baby. *Giving Birth with Confidence* is the first and only pregnancy and childbirth guide written by Lamaze International, the leading childbirth education organization in North America. Written with a respectful, positive tone, the full version of this book presents:

- Information to help you choose your maternity care provider and place of birth
- Practical strategies to help you work effectively with your care provider
- Information on how pregnancy and birth progress naturally
- Steps you can take to alleviate fear and manage pain during labor
- The best available medical evidence to help you make informed decisions

Previously titled *The Official Lamaze Guide*, this 3rd edition has updated information on:

- How vaginal birth, keeping mother and baby together, and breastfeeding help to build the baby's microbiome.
- How hormones naturally start and regulate labor and release endorphins to help alleviate pain.
- Maternity-care practices that can disrupt the body's normal functioning.
- The latest recommendations on lifestyle issues like alcohol, vitamins, and caffeine.
- Room sharing and cosleeping: the controversy, recommendations, and safety guidelines.
- Out-of-hospital births are on the rise: New research and advice on planned home birth, including ACOG's revised guidelines, which support women's choices and promote seamless transfer to hospital, if needed.
- The importance of avoiding unnecessary caesareans for mother and child. Includes the new ACOG guidelines on inductions and active labor.
- The research in support of the Lamaze International's "Six Healthy Birth Practices," which are:

- Let labor begin on its own.
- Walk, move around, and change positions throughout labor.
- Bring a loved one, friend, or doula for continuous support.
- Avoid interventions that aren't medically necessary.
- Avoid giving birth on your back and follow your body's urges to push.
- Keep mother and baby together—it's best for mother, baby, and breastfeeding.

Giving Birth with Confidence

The first evidence-based book covering natural childbirth practices written by an obstetrician, *Natural Birth Plans* have emerged as a battle cry of resistance among women who are dissatisfied with today's medically-aggressive model of maternity care and high cesarean section rates. However, natural birth does not need to be a source of controversy or conflict between women and their nurses and doctors. *Natural Labor and Birth: An Evidenced-Based Guide to the Natural Birth Plan* seeks to broaden the medical community's understanding of the motivations and needs of naturally laboring mothers, while also exploring why natural birth is often so difficult to achieve within our current system and what can be done to change that. It is a complete resource on the topic of natural childbirth, teaching healthcare providers and other birth workers the skills necessary to assist a woman through an unmedicated birth and reviewing the compilation of medical evidence in support of those methods. It demonstrates how natural birth can exist within the framework of traditional antepartum care and hospital deliveries, and offers alternative solutions to common challenges that often disrupt the physiologic birth process. *Natural Labor and Birth: An Evidenced-Based Guide to the Natural Birth Plan* is also an unbiased resource for pregnant women seeking a more thorough and scientific understanding of unmedicated birth. This guide will help women and their partners make their own birth plans from a truly informed place. It will help women understand the barriers they may face when seeking a natural birth and give them the ability to better communicate their needs and preferences. By creating room for natural birth

within our maternity system, this book will help readers build a community of care where all women feel respected, acknowledged, and empowered during their birth experience.

Natural Labor and Birth: An Evidence-Based Guide to the Natural Birth Plan

Girls may be called "sluts" for any number of reasons, including being outsiders, early developers, victims of rape, targets of others' revenge. Often the labels has nothing to do with sex -- the girls simply do not fit in. An important account of the lives of these young women, *Slut!* weaves together powerful oral histories of girls and women who finally overcame their sexual labels with a cogent analysis of the underlying problem of sexual stereotyping. Author Leora Tanenbaum herself was labeled a slut in high school. The confessional article she wrote for *Seventeen* about the experience caused a sensation and led her to write this book.

Slut!

Nine comprehensive chapters cover resources, networks, information, stories and advice to nurture, validate and empower the new mother with practical suggestions and hands-on solutions provided by doctors, nurses, midwives, other caregivers, and more than 100 new mothers.

Mothering the New Mother

In this innovative volume, twelve leading scholars from corporate research labs and independent consultancies tackle the most fundamental and contentious issues in corporate ethnography. Organized in pairs of chapters in which two experts consider different sides of an important topic, these provocative encounters go beyond stale rehearsals of method and theory to explore the entanglements that practitioners wrestle with on a daily basis. The discussions are situated within the broader universe of ethnographic method and theory, as well as grounded in the practical realities of using ethnography to solve problems in the business world. The book represents important advances in the field and is ideal for students and scholars as well as for corporate practitioners and decision makers.

Advancing Ethnography in Corporate Environments

The first of its kind, this book will show mothers-to-be how to create an authentic practice of mindfulness to prepare for pregnancy, labour, birth and the early parenting years. Full of gems and aha moments using simple and helpful tools and practices to keep you connected to yourself while looking after your family' Nadia Narain, Head of Pregnancy Yoga, Triyoga, London 'This is a book I highly recommend to mothers and mothers-to-be. It is like an insightful friend who understands deeply what becoming and being a mother really means' Janet Balaskas, Founder of Active Birth Chuni Lal offers unparalleled support along with clear and simple meditation and self-development practices based on Buddhist and yogic philosophy to help cultivate a daily practice of mindfulness, which will enable you to be more present during pregnancy, birth and beyond. Having a child has the potential to awaken your heart and bring infinite joy, wonder and delight into your life. Yet when you become a mother, alongside immense delight and excitement, you may also feel a great deal of internal turmoil and confusion, as well as a change or lack of sense of identity. Organised into clear, thematic sections, this book can be dipped into for emergency inspiration or read from cover to cover. It explores common mothering dilemmas with honesty and integrity, helping you to keep both feet firmly on the ground. Issues include: adjusting to having minimal personal time and space, coping with in-laws, managing the balance between work and home, finding stimulation within an often tedious home routine, and dissolving doubts and comparisons with other seemingly happy families. Most of all, *The Mindful Mother* teaches you to understand your true nature, so your mind is working with you, rather than against you.

The Mindful Mother

A feminist rewrite of tort law cases that reveals gender bias and the law's failure to redress serious harms to women.

Feminist Judgments: Rewritten Tort Opinions

In a tale spanning the 20th century, Ami McKay takes a primitive and superstitious rural community in Nova Scotia and creates a rich tableau of characters to tell the story of childbirth from its most secretive early practices to modern maternity as we know it.

The Birth House

Praise for the First Edition: "Where was this book when I was a new nurse just learning the ropes of labor and delivery? This is a true gem of a book—a must for any new grad going into labor and delivery. I recommend this book for every labor and delivery floor." -Cindy Curtis, RNC, IBCLC, CCE Former Director, The Family Birth Center Culpeper Regional Hospital Lignum, VA "The best one-stop reference book for the experienced and novice Labor and Delivery RN....Finally an excellent Labor and Delivery book by RN's -- for RN's." -Garla DeWall, RNC Presbyterian Hospital in the Family Birthing Center Albuquerque, New Mexico The clinically oriented guide to nursing care during childbirth is distinguished by its strong focus on evidence-based practice as well as its engaging style and user-friendly format. It reviews the nursing process from admission to delivery focusing on proper surveillance and care, comprehensive data acquisition, interpretation, and teamwork. The second edition continues to help labor and delivery nurses make wise decisions in the delivery room, optimizing both maternal and fetal outcomes. It clearly explains the stages and phases of labor, delivery, and pain assessment and management—all supported by proven research. This text provides authoritative guidance on intervention options, creating patient-centered care plans, and improving communication with other members of the obstetrics team. New to the Second Edition: Proper analysis of the partograph to facilitate appropriate patient interventions Updated information about clinical pelvimetry New information on psyche, including the religious, spiritual, and cultural dimensions of care Setting priorities in triage and care related to postpartum hemorrhage Identification of "myths" related to childbirth Individualized patient care related to fetal distress and nonreassuring fetal status Oxytocin infusion and its relationship to permanent Erb's palsy and autism Updated information on technology, including connectivity between smart IV pumps and the EMR How to distinguish functional from mechanical dystocia and intervene to enhance fetal and maternal safety Key Features: Applies to nursing care of childbearing clients world-wide Focuses on evidence-based practices Written in engaging, easy-to-understand style for new nurses, seasoned practitioners, and nurses seeking certification Enhances effective decision-making to optimize patient care and outcomes Replete with informative references, relevant graphics, and review questions Incorporates research to clearly explain concepts and best practices Provides orientation fundamentals, checklists, and log charts

Birth in Four Cultures

Breastfeeding is the natural and healthy way to nourish your baby, yet it's not always easy. New mothers need practical information about getting off to a good start and solving breastfeeding challenges. Health professionals need this information too, because it is rarely taught in medical school. Dr. Jack Newman's Guide to Breastfeeding covers the most common problems and questions that mothers encounter: How do I help my baby to get a good latch How can I know if my baby is getting enough milk How can I help him get more? Can I avoid sore nipples? Will my medication affect my baby? How do I fit breastfeeding into my life when I'm so busy? The answers are here. Dr. Jack Newman and Teresa Pitman are two of the foremost lactation experts in Canada and have helped tens of thousands of new mothers find solutions that work. In this comprehensive guide, they share the most current information about breastfeeding and provide new, effective strategies and solutions to make breastfeeding work for you.

A Book for Midwives

Equal rights between men and women are enshrined as a fundamental human right in the UN Charter, and reflected in various internationally agreed instruments, such as the 1979 Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women and the 1995 Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action. Although there has been notable progress in some areas, in most nations women are still at a disadvantage in terms of their role and position in the economic and political arenas. This publication examines the gender dimension of trade and seeks to identify policy challenges and responses to promote gender equality in light of increasing globalisation. Issues discussed include: economics of gender equality, international trade and development; multilateral negotiations on agriculture in developing countries; gender-related issues in the textiles and clothing sectors; international trade in services; gender and the TRIPS Agreement; the impact of WTO rules on gender equality; human rights aspects; fair trade initiatives; the role of IT in promoting gender equality, the Gender Trade Impact Assessment and trade reform.

Labor and Delivery Nursing, Second Edition

Essential guide to the bewildering array of delivery options available.

Dr. Jack Newman's Guide To Breastfeeding, Revised Edition

Like sharks, epidemic diseases always lurk just beneath the surface. This fast-paced history of their effect on mankind prompts questions about the limits of scientific knowledge, the dangers of medical hubris, and how we should prepare as epidemics become ever more frequent. Ever since the 1918 Spanish influenza pandemic, scientists have dreamed of preventing catastrophic outbreaks of infectious disease. Yet, despite a century of medical progress, viral and bacterial disasters continue to take us by surprise, inciting panic and dominating news cycles. From the Spanish flu and the 1924 outbreak of pneumonic plague in Los Angeles to the 1930 'parrot fever' pandemic and the more recent SARS, Ebola, and Zika epidemics, the last 100 years have been marked by a succession of unanticipated pandemic alarms. Like man-eating sharks, predatory pathogens are always present in nature, waiting to strike; when one is seemingly vanquished, others appear in its place. These pandemics remind us of the limits of scientific knowledge, as well as the role that human behaviour and technologies play in the emergence and spread of microbial diseases.

Trade and Gender

This authoritative catalogue of the Corcoran Gallery of Art's renowned collection of pre-1945 American paintings will greatly enhance scholarly and public understanding of one of the finest and most important collections of historic American art in the world. Composed of more than 600 objects dating from 1740 to 1945.

A Good Birth, a Safe Birth

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