

Chapter 12 Objectives

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1. Discuss conception, including the physiological processes that facilitate fertilization.
2. Contrast significant changes that occur through each period of prenatal development.
3. Identify the early physiological signs of pregnancy.
4. Discuss the difficulties and changes that occur during each stage of prenatal development.
5. Summarize the physical and emotional effects of pregnancy on female sexuality.
6. Identify the potential risks of teratogen exposure during prenatal development, as well as age and other related maternal dangers.
7. Explain when and how fetal abnormalities are diagnosed during pregnancy.
8. Discuss male and female infertility, including its causes and effects.
9. Differentiate various medical interventions to treat infertility.
10. Identify the physical changes in a woman's body as it prepares for labor and delivery.
11. Discuss the myths and realities of male circumcision.
12. Describe different childbirth options.
13. Evaluate the cost-benefits of breast feeding.
14. Differentiate between post-partum depression and post-partum psychosis.

Lecture and Supplemental Material

15. Discuss the customs and traditions associated with the placenta cross-culturally.
16. Discuss common concerns that arise from the use of sperm and ova donations.