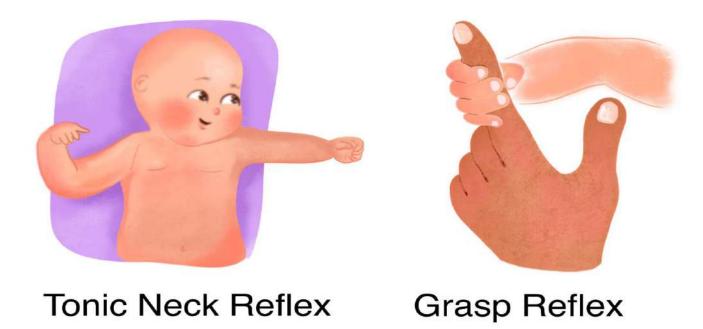
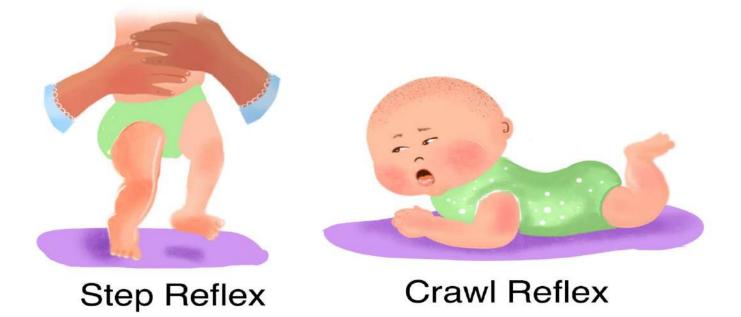
Neonatal Reflexes

Reflexes are involuntary movements present in newborns at the time of birth. These reflexes help to identify normal brain activity.





3-6 months

- Grasps rattle and reach for objects.
- Distinguishes primary caregivers from others.
- Coos, squeals and gurgles.
- Smiles at people, looks at people when being played with.
- Follows moving things with eyes from side to side.
- Uses hands and eyes together.
- Pushes down on legs when feet are on a hard surface.
- Can hold head steady unsupported.
- Responds to name.
- Begins to pass objects from one hand to the other.
- Begins to sit without support.
- Rolls over front to back.



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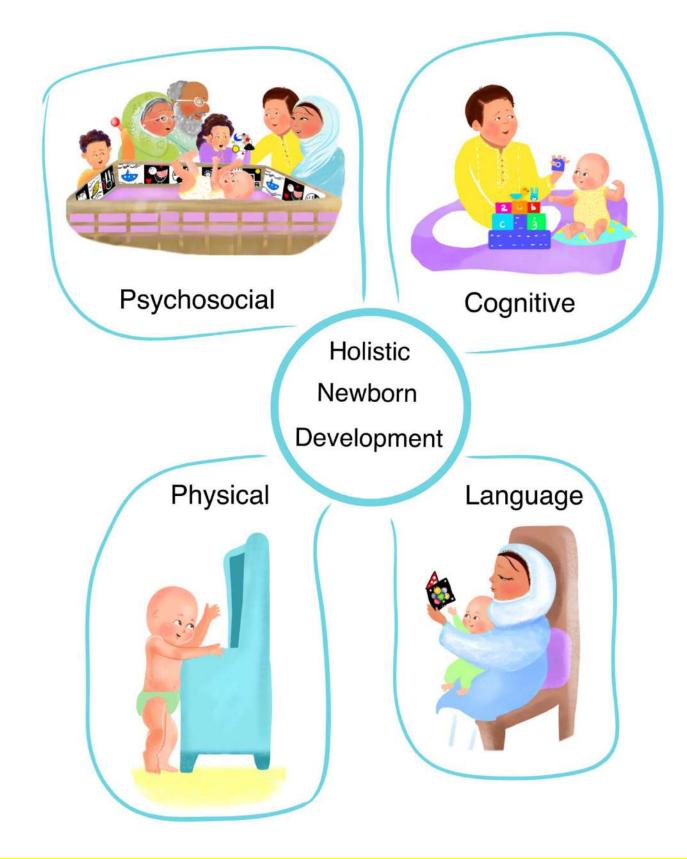
Developmental Milestones

0-8 weeks

- Can focus 8-12 inches away, just enough to see your face.
- Black and white patterns will draw their attention.
- Can lift their head briefly, turn their head when on stomach.
- Smiles selectively.
- Recognises the sound of Parents' voices.
- Uses vocalization to interact socially.
- Exhibit startle reflex to sudden noises.
- Begins to get fussy if the activity doesn't change.



Domain of a newborn



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