

Baby's Name : AINESH SEN
Mother's Name : IPSITA GHOSH
D.O.B. : 25th MARCH, 2014
Place of Birth : FORTIS HOSPITALS, ANANDAPUR, KOLKATA

This is a mother's experience of giving birth to a pre-mature baby in 33 weeks 4 days of gestation age and with the Doctor who has given a second life to the baby.

I have given birth to my boy child on 25th of March, 2014 in 33 weeks & 4 days of pregnancy under some critical circumstances at 11:38 am (Tuesday). Dr. Sumita Saha (Neonatologist & Pediatrician) who was also present in my O.T. was the first person to show me my baby. His birth weight was exactly 2kgs. Immediately after birth he has been taken to NICU by the Doctor herself as he was suffering from some respiratory distress with grunting. He was put on CPAP, kept under warmer and was on IV fluids. All were done under Dr. Saha's supervision. During 4th day due to some yellowish colouration in body he has been kept under phototherapy. All of a sudden on 6th day he started billious vomiting repeatedly and the Doctor diagnosed him of NEC (Necrotising Enterocolitis) which as per the Doctor is a very critical disease in preterms and that it is very difficult to say in which stage it has been diagnosed and hence, immediately she started her treatment with third degree of antibiotics without waiting for any test results so that the situation does not worsen. Best thing about Dr. Saha is she is one of the most accessible doctors I have even seen. It was a very tough time both we and the baby were going through but every single time a discussion of mere few minutes with her used to give us some relief as well as hope. She herself used to come to my room (where I was admitted) and give the updates of baby's health. She used to give answers of all of our queries about baby's health without being impatient. She used to share her way of treatment with us and also used to inform us about her next step of treatment. The best thing about her treatment, what I found was, inspite of all test results and right diagnosis she had taken a second opinion about the disease and the way of treatment from some other senior doctor. She is having an excellent team of associate doctors and nurses who were all equally co-operative and caring as well. She had given my baby back to my bedside in a stable condition on 9th April and on 10th of April, 2014 she discharged him saying that we need to take him to her on the 3rd day of discharge as he lost 40 gms. and was weighing 1.86 kgs on the discharge day.

Today my baby is of 6 months of age weighing near about 7kgs. All thanks to her and her way of treatment. She herself has been giving all vaccinations to the baby since then. During all these months whenever I have seen any abnormalities in baby's health I have called her. She guides nicely over phone or otherwise asks us to bring the baby for check-up. I have a very good experience with her and a lot of thanks to her for giving my baby a second birth for which I will ever be grateful to her as my baby is very important to my family and to me.

Sumita Ghosh.

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