

## ***Ohio Law SB 41 Sec. 3781.55:***

**A mother is entitled to breastfeed her baby in any location of a place of public accommodation wherein the mother otherwise is permitted.**

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### ***AAP Policy Statement on Breastfeeding, 2005***

“Human milk is species-specific and all substitute feeding preparations differ markedly from it, making human milk uniquely superior for infant feedings...Healthy infants should be placed and remain in direct skin-to-skin contact with their mothers immediately after delivery until the first feeding is accomplished.”

### ***What You Can Do To Help***

REALLY believe, and show in your actions that breastfeeding is normal, and that Northwest Ohio and Southeast Michigan can reach The Healthy People 2020 goals to:

1. Increase the proportion of infants who are breastfed to  
**82% Ever**  
**61% at 6 months**  
**34% at 1 year**  
**46% Exclusively through 3 months**  
**26% Exclusively through 6 months**
2. Increase the proportion of employers that have worksite lactation support programs to **38%**
3. Reduce the proportion of breastfed newborns who receive formula supplementation within the first 2 days of life to **14%**
4. Increase the proportion of live births that occur in facilities that provide recommended care for lactating mothers and their babies to **8%**

Ask your hospital, doctor, and clinic to practice standards by the World Health Organization/UNICEF Baby Friendly Hospital Initiative (see next page)