## **Skills Competency 1**



## Communicating with pregnant women about breastfeeding

Skills displayed	Yes or No	Supervisor's comments
Prepared for the consultation		
<ul> <li>Can list all topics to be discussed during the prenatal period</li> <li>Gathered teaching aids</li> <li>Reviewed mother's relevant obstetric notes</li> </ul>		
Established rapport		
<ul> <li>Introduced self and supervisor</li> <li>Explained reason for communication</li> <li>Asked permission to continue</li> </ul>		
Ascertained mother's knowledge and feelings about breastfeeding using:		
<ul><li>open questioning</li><li>reflective listening</li><li>reflected feelings</li></ul>		
Built on mother's self-confidence by:		
<ul> <li>acceptance of her knowledge and attitudes</li> <li>praising what was right.</li> <li>providing new information using simple language.</li> <li>offering opportunities for questions</li> </ul>		
Confirmed the mother's understanding using:		
open questions about information given		
Ensured mother had sufficient information about breastfeeding		
Covered ALL information on Checklist, sharing evidence-based information accurately		
Completed documentation as appropriate		

