Skills Competency 4



Teaching formula preparation and feeding

Skills displayed	Yes or No	Supervisor's comments
Prepared prior to consultation Mother's choice of infant formula and feeding equipment Teaching aids: formula preparation leaflet Confirmed prior discussion of risks of infant formula understood by mother		
Used effective communication skills throughout		
Ascertained mother's prior knowledge, ensuring correct knowledge of • amount of water to powdered formula • cleanliness of work space and equipment		
Demonstrated first, then observed mother achieve • hand hygiene • boiling of water • measurement of water and powdered formula • safe water temperature for addition of powder		
During preparation, confirmed mother's knowledge of risks of contamination risks of under- or over-dilution of the formula		
Used teaching aids effectively		
Ascertained mother's knowledge of bottle feeding technique, including • holding baby during feeding • responding to infant cues for both frequency and volume given		
Completed documentation as appropriate		

