

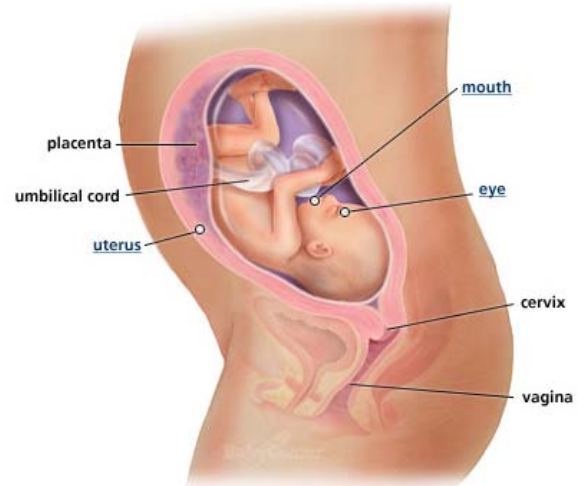
Our TTC Journey

Week 27 – May 16th – May 22nd, 2008



My sugars have been getting much better since taking the increase in Glyburide. I was at first apprehensive to take that much medicine because I didn't think that my numbers were THAT much out of line. But apparently I did need the medication, and can't believe that I'm feeling the effects of a hormonal surge. I can't say I'm surprised though. I feel like I could cry at any moment, I'm hot, I could snap at anyone at any time, and I want Watermelon more than I want to cruise! Yep, definitely the hormones!

This week your baby weighs almost 2 pounds (like a head of cauliflower) and is about 14.4 inches long with his legs extended. He can now open and close his eyes, and he sleeps and wakes at regular intervals. He may suck his fingers, and although his lungs are still immature, they would be capable of functioning — with assistance — if he were to be born prematurely. Chalk up any rhythmic movement you may be feeling to a case of baby hiccups, which may be common from now on. Each episode usually lasts only a few moments, and isn't bothersome to him, so enjoy the tickle. With more brain tissue developing, your baby's brain is very active now. Wonder what he's thinking?



May 16 – We have a pediatrician !!!!!!!!!!! Well actually we have 12 of them! Yep, we found a "chain" of doctors offices that are all over our area. There are locations all over the inland valley, but the most important thing is that within normal driving distance, there are 3 locations in our backyard it seems.



The offices are linked by network, so if we go to location A, we can another time go to location B, and his chart will be there waiting for him.

Beanlette's Corner

At each location there are 4-5 Pediatricians that are stationed at that location, so if one doc is sick you can see someone else. I love that idea!

So we didn't interview each doctor. We figure if one doc sucks, we can always ask to have our appointments with another doc at that office. They always have a doc on call, and newborns get preferential treatment for appointments. They actually do the circ in their office. I think it sounds exciting!

So when we're in the hospital giving birth, we'll take the Ped that gets assigned to us in the hospital. While I'm recovering, we can call the Ped Group office and make the baby's first appointment #1. Then once he gets discharged and we reach home, we would then go to the first appointment, have the meet and greet, and the doc would at that time schedule the circ. That procedure would be done on his second appointment. They want to have them done before he is a month old and before he is 10 lbs.

I explained with GD that he might be 10 lbs at delivery. They said they say "10 lbs" for those moms who have 7 lb children. They don't want them to wait too long. But if I had GD, they can make a weight exception for him.

May 17 – My brother's baby shower (for him and his girlfriend who are 6weeks ahead of me) did not go over very well. With the heat, the unmentioned dress code, and the lack of food, it was just a miserable day for me. I'm glad we didn't stay very long. It was a long day, but I did get a much needed hair cut!

May 18 – Today we recovered from yesterday. We did chores and rearranged some things in our closet. I thought of getting a closet organizer for the baby's closet. So that we have some storage in the closet as well.

May 19 – My sugar doctor appointment went well. The increase in meds is working for me. My weight gain hasn't been out of control at all. I see my Peri doctor this week as well.

May 20 – I caught up with my BFF, who is doing well after her procedure. I hope she continues to bake her babies for a long time. I'm so worried for her, and wish that nothing bad would ever happen to her. I'm still feeling very good. I still get the odd contraction here and there, but am not very worried about them. I look forward to tomorrow to learn how my body's handling the contraction action.

May 21 – Well our precious little guy didn't cooperate at this heart scan appt either !!!!!!! Nope !! He was breach, and back facing up. So it was the worst possible position to be in and check his heart. But she did get a look at his heart, but not the 30 minute scan like she wanted. She didn't see any defects, but then again she didn't get as good of a look as she had hoped.

James now weighs 2lb15oz .. so I'm gonna call that 3lbs. The books say that the 3 lb mark is reached at week 30. Well that's 2weeks ahead. The doc isn't very concerned about it, and if she's not, then I'm not.

My blood pressure, and proteins and glucose still looked good. I have ketone strips at home and am not passing any of those either. My next appt is in 2 weeks to check on me. I've only gained 1 pound in the last month, and think that's wonderful!

Now that the doc wants to see me every two weeks, the pregnancy is becoming more and more real. James will be here before I know it!

May 22 – With our weird weather, hot one day and cold the next, I'm starting to get a sore throat. Nevertheless, I took a new belly picture today. James was kicking so hard I recorded a video and shared it with my friends. If you'd like to see it, send me a note 😊

