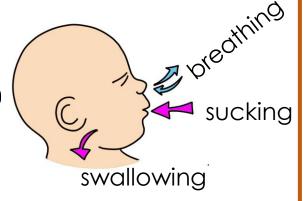
## OROFACIAL SENSORY-MOTOR STIMULATION (OSMS)



Premature, small and sick babies may have problems **controlling the muscles** in their faces and mouths.

So this lack of muscle control and coordination makes feeding difficult.





Luckily, there are some exercises and massages that YOU can do on your baby's face that will greatly improve this lack of coordination. These will help with the proper development of baby feeding and later chewing and talking. This is called OSMS

## SOME BASIC TIPS



Wa<mark>sh your</mark> hands before sta<mark>rting</mark>



Make sure your nails and short and clean

Use 5 min in premature babies and 10 in term ones.

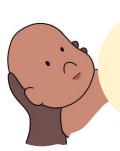


Do it before starting to feed.





Watch out that your baby doesn't get tired or stressed.



Get the baby into a half sitting position before starting.

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1-Stimulate your baby's forehead

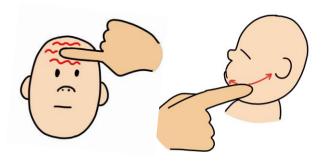
2-Sweep your finger from the bottom of the ear to the corner of the mouth.

3- Sweep your finger horizontally over upper lip

4- Sweep your finger horizontally over lower lip

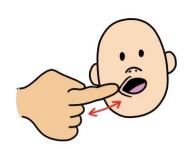
5-Give light touches near the corner of the mouth.

5-Stroke the gums gently to stimulate chewing









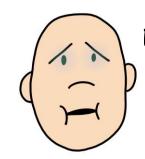


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**STOP** IF YOU NOTICE YOUR BABY DOING ANY OF THESE:



**CLOSING THE** LIPS TIGHT



**RETCHING OR** LOOKING SICKLY

STARTS CONTORTING

