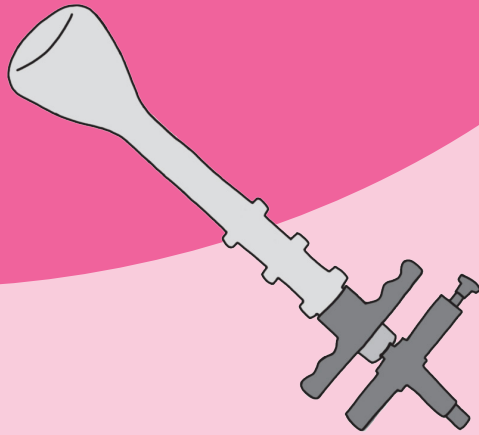


What is a Ventouse birth?

Information for patients



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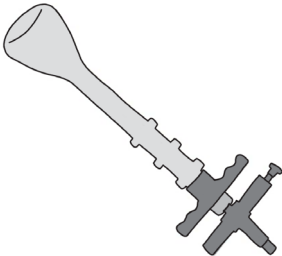
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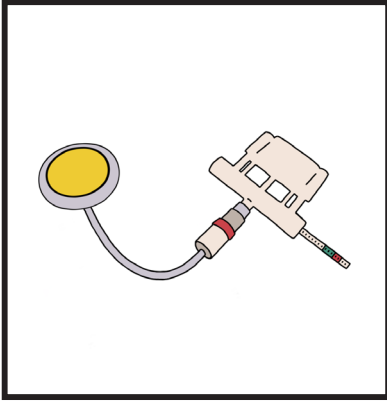


If your baby is struggling to be born vaginally your doctor will help.

suction cup



They use a ventouse suction cup to help.



Ventouse is where a plastic cup is placed on the baby's head.



This will suction onto the baby's head.

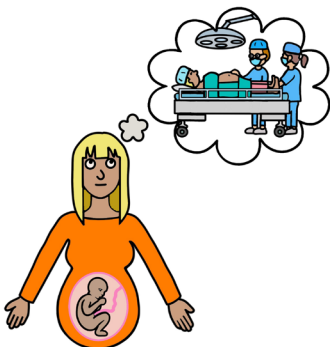
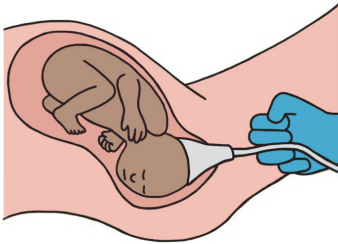


When you have your next contraction.

doctors idea



suction birth



Your doctor will tell you to push.

The ventouse will help pull the baby out.

If the Ventouse isn't working you might need a caesarean.

suction bruise

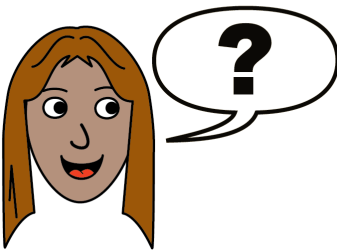


The ventouse suction cup may leave a bruise or swelling on baby's head after it is born.



This bruise or swelling usually goes in a few days.

ask questions




If you are worried or have any questions speak to your doctor or midwife.

For more information please go to

[www.necldnetwork.co.uk/
work-programmes/health-inequalities/maternity/](http://www.necldnetwork.co.uk/work-programmes/health-inequalities/maternity/)

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