# **Scheduled C-section or vaginal birth**

Which plan is right for you and your baby?

# **Scheduled C-section**

# **Vaginal birth**

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While lifesaving in certain medical situations, a scheduled C-section is a major surgery that presents limited benefits to the baby when not medically necessary.

By passing through the birth canal, baby receives immune-boosting beneficial bacteria, and excess fluid is squeezed out of baby's lungs.

### **Atmosphere**



Operating theater

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More choices available

#### Pain management



Anesthesia

# Pain management



Everything from breathing techniques to epidurals

## **Hospital stay**



Up to 5 days

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1 to 2 days