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Do you understand reflective nursing practice? When faced with the care of women considering pregnancy who had CHD, these nurses could find no evidence in the literature. They proceeded scientifically, however, to learn all they could about how to care for these women.

Kelley Kilpatrick, MSc(A), RN, and Margaret Purden, PhD, RN

Human Milk Donation: What Do You Know About It?

Have you seen auctions for breast milk on the Internet? Should women share their breast milk? What is a regulated human milk bank? All nurses who care for women should know about this.

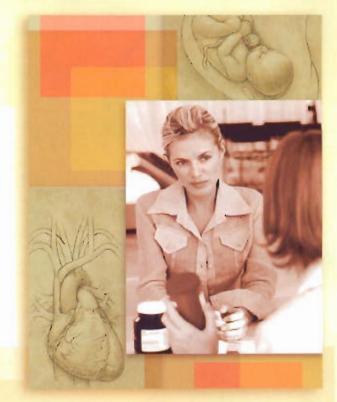
Katie Woo, BSN, RN, and Diane Spatz, PhD, RNC

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Yvonne Yousey, PhD, RN, CPNP

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Family-centered care is practiced in some institutions but not in all. What do women have to say about who they want with them in labor?

Sheri Price, MN, RN, Jennifer Noseworthy, BTh, and Juliet Thornton, MN, RN