You've Got This, DAD

As a new Father, you have a responsibility to help your baby feel safe, secure and protected in your care. Your baby senses how you respond when they are upset, sick, or in pain. It's your actions at these times that matter most.

When you respond with love and care, this improves the feeling of attachment you have and teaches them you are there no matter what.

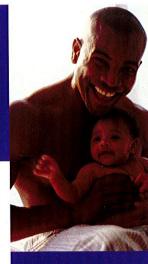
As a Father, an important part of the relationship is to enjoy playful and fun times with your baby too.

Here are a few simple ways to develop a loving attachment between you and your baby:

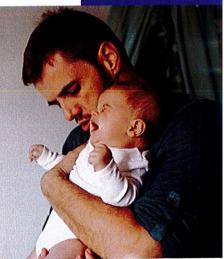


- 1. Promptly pick up your baby when they start crying.
- 2. Comfort your baby when they are hurt, upset, sick or afraid.
- 3. Sing, talk, and play with your baby.

Your baby will cry, and sometimes no matter what you do, you may not be able to soothe your baby. That's OK. Crying is not a problem that you can fix.



The attachment you have with your baby is not impacted by HOW MUCH your baby cries, but what YOU DO when they cry. It's okay to feel frustrated. If the crying becomes too much, recognize your frustration and lovingly put the crying baby in a safe place until you have calmed down.



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"Coping with Frustration When Soothing Doesn't Work" addresses how to cope with frustration when your baby won't stop crying.

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