



Practices for keeping newborn piglets safe and healthy

Our team members take steps to keep the newborn piglets healthy from day one and give them a strong start.

- ✓ Check that the sow has milk for the piglets and is able to nurse
- ✓ Assist weak piglets with nursing
- ✓ Ensure piglets get colostrum — the first milk after giving birth that is rich in antibodies — from their mothers
- ✓ If more pigs are born than the sow can nurse, move piglets to another sow for nursing
- ✓ Set heat mat to the correct temperature to keep piglets warm
- ✓ Care for nervous sows so she can provide care for her piglets
- ✓ Keep environment clean
- ✓ Move piglets from unsafe areas
- ✓ If piglets need special attention, move them to a hospital pen