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**Pregnancy Blood Test and Ultrasound Timeline**

- 6-8 weeks:**                    **Blood Test 1 & Ultrasound**  
An OB Panel is drawn the blood test consists of a red blood cell count to check for anemia, tests to check for HIV antibodies, immunity to German Measles (Rubella), including sexually transmitted diseases, blood type, thyroid levels and some genetic tests for cystic fibrosis, sickle cell and thalassemia. Also PAP smear and Urine culture is sent on first visit.  
  
A 1<sup>st</sup> Trimester Ultrasound is performed; the ultrasound gives the Gestational age of the fetus.
- 11-13 weeks:**                    **Blood Test 2 & Ultrasound**  
Nuchal Translucency also known as a Down Syndrome Screen assesses your baby's risk of having Down syndrome and some other Chromosomal abnormalities. Comprises of Ultrasound and Blood tests.
- 15-17 Weeks:**                    **Blood Test 3**  
Alpha Feta Protein Test is drawn to see the levels of alpha feta protein combined with the mother's age and the ethnicity of the parents can indicate the probability of the fetus having certain Chromosomal disorders and spina bifida.
- 18-20 Weeks**                    Fetal Anatomy Ultrasound is performed. The technician will view the head, spine, chest, heart, abdomen, liver, stomach and kidneys. Arms, legs, hands and feet can also be viewed. If the baby is in the position it is possible to view the genitalia and cervical length.
- 27-28 Weeks:**                    **Blood Test 4**  
One hour Glucose Test will check to see if you have Gestational Diabetes we also repeat anemia check. Repeat HIV test is done in third trimester as required by New Jersey State.
- 35-37 Weeks:**                    **Blood Test 5 & Ultrasound**  
Beta Strep Test is performed because during birth as the baby passes through the vagina it comes into contact with the bacteria, making it more likely for the baby to get Group B Strep. To prevent this from happening women who test positive or who have had a previous baby with Group B Strep will be given IV antibiotics during labor.  
Fetal Growth Ultrasound is performed to check the growth of the baby.
- 36 Weeks and up:**                    **NST** on every visit.