Fetal & Neonatal Alloimmune Thrombocytopenia **DID YOU KNOW?**



Fetal & neonatal alloimmune thrombocytopenia is a rare blood disorder.

When the mother's body rejects the platelets that her baby inherited from the father, her immune system attacks those platelets.

Harmful antibodies in the baby's blood stream may stay for several weeks, remaining even after birth.

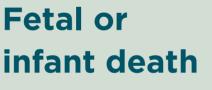
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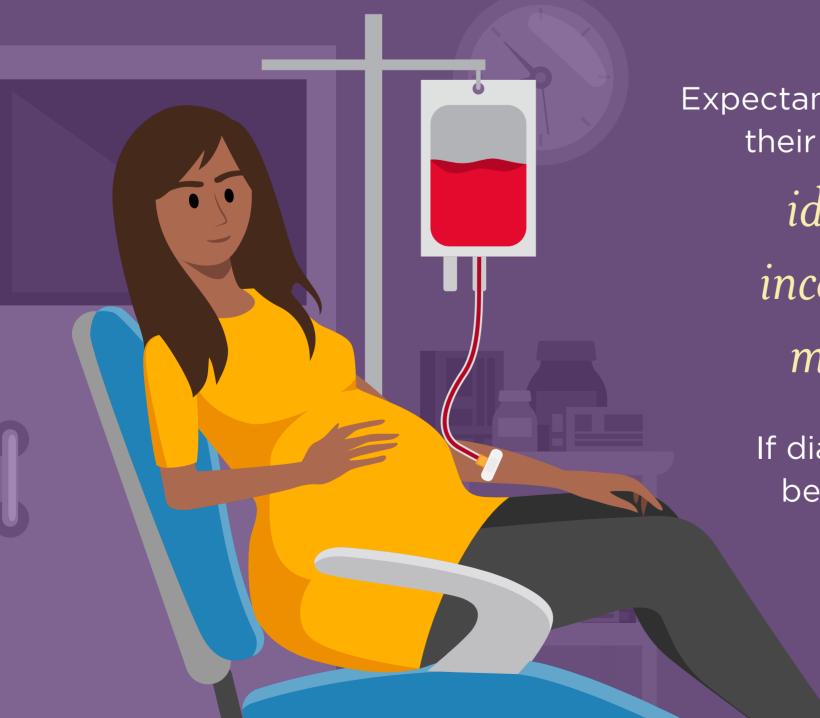


Bruising or a rash









Expectant parents should work with their health care provider to

> identify any blood incompatibilities and monitor the baby.

> If diagnosed, the baby can be treated with platelet transfusions.

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