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## "I want to sleep like this" Latest recommendations at a glance

Sudden Infant Death Syndrome is not always predictable, which sadly means there is no 100% preventive solution.

But you can take measures to clearly minimize the risk for infants:

- During the first year of life infants should sleep <u>lying on their back</u>. This in itself already reduces the risk of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome by 50%.
- 2. Infants should be laid in their beds in such a way, that their heads cannot be covered by bedding:
  - no pillow,
  - no thick blanket, a wearable blanket is better
  - the feet should be touching the foot of the bed
- 3. Infants should sleep in the parent's bedroom, but in their own beds.
- 4. The room temperature and blanket should be chosen so, that it is comfortable for the baby, neither too warm nor too cold.
- 5. Both before and after birth infants should be raised in a smoke free environment.
- 6. Infants should, if possible, be breast fed.

With kind regards Children's and Youth's Ward of the St. Elisabeth Krankenhaus, Wittlich

