

## Postpartum Blues



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### Symptoms

#### Depressed Affect

##### [Sad Affect](#)

Depressed affect is one of the features of postpartum blues.

#### Tearfulness

##### [Tears](#)

Tearfulness is one of the features of postpartum blues.

#### Fatigue

##### [Sleepy-guy](#)

Fatigue is one of the features of postpartum blues.

#### Resolves in 2 Weeks

##### [Tutu dancer with weekly press](#)

Symptoms of postpartum blues start 2-3 days after delivery and usually resolve within two weeks.

### Treatment

#### Supportive Care

##### [Supportive IV bags](#)

Treatment of postpartum blues is supportive (address symptoms and patient education); these patients usually don't require hospitalization, antipsychotics, or antidepressants. Follow-up to assess for major depressive disorder with peripartum onset (postpartum depression) is crucial because this may require further psychological and pharmacological therapy.