### When to contact your midwife:

For non-urgent questions, please call the clinic at **(519) 664-2542.** These inquiries will be responded to in 1-2 business days.

For any urgent concerns, page your midwife.

## Reasons to page during pregnancy:

- Bright red vaginal **bleeding**
- Gush or ongoing trickle of **fluid** from your vagina
- Fever (above 38°C), chills and/or vomiting for more than 24 hours
- Severe abdominal pain
- Concerns about your **baby's movements** (less than 6 kicks in 2 hours)

# **Signs of Preterm Labour:**

#### Before 37 weeks:

- Regular
   contractions that
   have a pattern
- Constant low, dull backache
- Pelvic pressure with cramping
- Vaginal bleeding
- Vaginal gush or ongoing trickle of fluid

#### Signs of High Blood Pressure:

- Headache; unexplained, severe, no change with Tylenol
- Changes in your
  vision (e.g. blur, spots, auras)
- Upper abdomen
   pain, under your
   ribs, on the right or
   middle

# After baby is born, page with:

- Bleeding; a full pad in less than 30 minutes or many large clots
- Symptoms of high blood pressure

## Normal postpartum bleeding:

- In the first few days bleeding will be like a heavy period
- 1 large clot, egg size
- A few clots
- A gush when you move after lying down

### How to Page

- Give your name, telephone number, and reason for your page
- Keep your phone line open we will call back
- If you cannot reach your team, page another midwife at St Jacobs Midwives. Go to the hospital if you still get no response.