Signs & Symptoms

Flaring of the nostrils, tachypnea

Cyanotic, grunting, retractions

Apnea episodes last longer than 20 sec.

Labored or unusual rapid breathing because of

Diagnostics/Labs

Respiratory Distress Syndrome

It's a surfactant deficiency which normally happens in preterm however you can see this is

Ground glass appearance; hazy gray areas that

Treatment/Medication

You would give Surfactant replacement through a ET give slowly so it can coat the lining of the lungs and while doing this you will slow rotate the babe to make sure its touch every part of the lungs. They will be intubated so you will need two sets of hands

Fluids and metabolic management

Nursing Implications

Make sure we are getting labs drawn for gas levels, repeated xray or ct scans

Monitor for any signs of distress

O2 supplementation

Priority Nursing Diagnosis

Babies are respiratory driven, so I would make sure I'm on top of that so. that the rest of the body falls in line

D.O.B._____03/26/23_____

Gestational Age__40/1_____ Adjusted Gestational Age__40/2_____

Birthweight 8_lbs._____9__oz./_____3976_____grams

Current weight___8__lbs._____6.6_oz./_____3930_____grams

APGAR at birth: _____8/9_____