

June 4 - NST shows contractions. June 5 - contractions get worse in PM. June 6 - NST shows stronger, more contractions. Keep deciding it's time for a grand entrance. Send me home to pack. Get to hospital at 11:15. Have to wait for three other births. Go in just after 4 AM. Your born screaming at 4:50, but they take you on to special care nursery. Uterus is shot. You begin to have problems breathing. Lungs are immature. G.U.'s of antibiotics for pneumonia. Monitor monitors.

June 7 - Put in an oxygen bubble. Blood gas saturation level is too low. Your lungs are pumping three times normal. Chest xray shows fluid & white spots. Your chest strained so much. You hooked up to so many machines.

June 8 - O2 backs up in your little hands. Look you up in the foot. You still breathing way too fast and your chest just sinks in. Your saturation levels are still off.

June 9 - same progress. We can't hold you at all. Mommy rubbed your leg and the overstimulation sent your saturation down. (Aurpico)

Shed in nose present about 10 AM
Stomach & kidneys shut down to help the lungs fight off the infection
your presence for blood test

O2 level 40%

O2 level 37-30%

O2 level 25%
in am
Baby missing
going to turn on
pacifier

Wed. June 10 - weight 6-6 on xaps to be patient
and proud that you're fighting it on
your own. (not on a respirator) still

hooked up to everything. In afternoon
they try weaning you out of oxygen.

You do great. Wed night I finally

get to hold you. You're looking for food, but have to
wait.

Thursday June 11 - Jaundiced count gone.

Still hooked to IV's for antibiotics and
sugar water. Doing good out of oxygen
gear. At 3:00, you finally get fed.

They skip doing it thru the tube and

give you a nipple w/ 1/3 ounce. You scarf
it down, but that's all they can give you.

You sleep so content and your little
chest is so much more relaxed.

Fed again at 7:00 pm, this time with
a smaller holed nipple to make it

last longer. Weight 6-5. Saturation monitor
is off. Respiration rate doing great.

Friday June 12 - Finally got to hold you again.

I fed you your two and six o'clock
bottle. Can't breast feed you until

the OU comes out. You look so good -
nurse has it you can go home

on Monday since your progress
is so good.

Saturday June 13 - your IV and tube to your stomach came out this a.m. Got to nurse you for the first time at 2:00pm. You did great (BCC) jaundice level went up a little. Nurse says you can maybe go home tomorrow.

Sunday - so sad you got circumcized you still have a high jaundice level. You cannot go home yet. You hate formula, but need it to help gain weight. They will not let you go home if your losing weight. Nursed 10, 2, + 6

Monday - called at 9:00am for your test results and your jaundice level is 15.5. Dr. says you can go home when it shows a downward slope of 14. Nursed 10, 2, and 6. Billie Rubin count at six am came back 16.3 Can't go home again! How depressing!

Tuesday - Billie Rubin count is 15.8. Going down slowly, but. They put you on formula for 24 hrs to see if it would help. Fed you at 10, 2, and 6. Daddy came to see you too!

Wed - called at 8:45am your level is

to 14.3 (you can come home), yah!
we came to get you at 9.45am. I'm
so happy - I cried you had to
stay out of public places for awhile.
You have another b.r. ✓ up tomorrow
at 8:00am (LGH follow up program)
You are so happy to have you home.
When you cry they try helping
you with funny faces or jokes
When that doesn't work the call goes
out for mom. Ben is horrified
by the umbilical cord and wants
to know if you'll be spending
the night. Ryan pampers you
and even Brett is surprising me.
He just looks at you and if you are
not in sight he asks where you
are. It's so good to have you home!
Diagnosis was immature lungs,
mild pneumonia and excessive
fluids in the lungs.

Thursday - 14.3