HSC Women's Hospital L&D Position Guide





Think: knees out, feet in

Opens the top of the pelvis



Mid Pelvis for active labour, baby is at spines

Think: knees parallel with feet

Helps bring the baby through the pelvis

* Asymmetry is key*



Pelvic outlet for transition/ labouring down:

Think: knees in, feet out

Opens the bottom of the pelvis to make room for birth

Remember: You cannot mess this up! Any movement is good movement

Be creative! Adjust all positions as needed





Pelvic Inlet

Babe is above spines

Take advantage of this time to help baby engaged

~Just keep moving~











Pelvic tilts/lift and tuck:

Ask the patient to stand against the wall and get rid of the space between their back and the wall, while tucking their bum under. The pelvis will tilt forward. The patient can lift their bump at the same time.







Pelvic Inlet

Sift and Jiggle:
put a sheet around
the belly that hugs
the patient's bump
and helps lift the
weight of their
tummy.
Jiggle the sheet to
help move the
baby.



Patient can also cat and cow



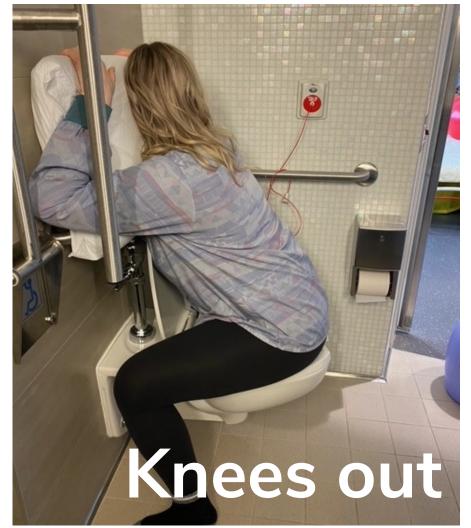
Tip:
Having the support person in a lunge position helps facilitate free movement of the birther as they rock, sway and practice cat/cow



Flying
Cowgirl:
shoulder,
hips and
knees should
be aligned.

Knees out, feet in.









Mid Pelvis

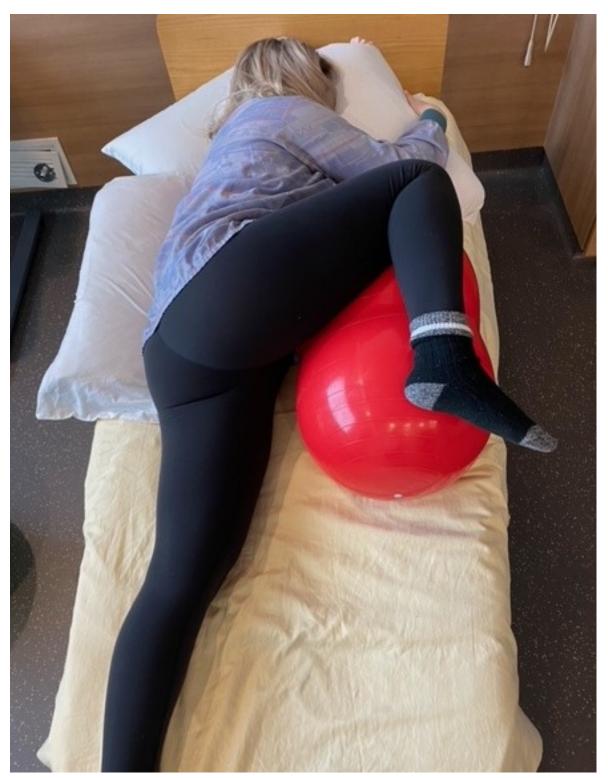
Think: knees parallel with feet and asymmetry of knees and hips

We're moving the baby through the pelvis









Hint: Whatever you do on one side, should be done on the other





Pelvic Outlet

Think: knees in, feet out to open the bottom of the pelvis

Babe is below spines, moving towards birth



Knees are together







