

# **USER MANUAL**



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HAPTIC FEEDBACK

#### **NATAL FLUIDS**

PRE-PROGRAMMED SIMULATIONS

> BIRTHING COMPLICATIONS

### WELCOME TO YOUR NEW AVBIRTH!

Learners can practice appropriately coaching the patient during all phases of childbirth. The patient is cued about the onset, intensity, and duration of each contraction with haptic vibrations on the wrist.

Facilitators can control the release of natal fluids from the two reusable bags housed within the abdomen.

Three pre-programmed simulations have been created so the simulation can be automated and facilitators can focus on the actual simulation experience.

Avbirth offers the full range of vaginal birth presentations from uncomplicated to OB emergencies like shoulder dystocia.

# WHAT'S INCLUDED

Main Packaging:





Disposable Packaging:





# **GETTING STARTED**

Watch the instructional video on the Avkin website.

### Download the Avkin App

- Available on the Android Google Play and iOS App Store
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Follow any prompts on the screen for allowing location access and Bluetooth







Put tubing into fluidics container and pull fluid into 100ml syringe





#### Connect 100ml syringe to IV bag and insert fluid





### Open Fluidics Chamber





If you want just blood or just amniotic fluid, you can set them at this time by hooking up 2 blood or 2 amniotic fluid bags





Fold down the excess material at the top

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Close and clamp fluidics chamber

Fluid will last approximately 10 births

### **A** Preparing the Contractions/Boggy Uterus

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Select if you would like to run the contractions or boggy uterus. Whichever you would like to run, make sure the "off" on the stopcock is facing the opposite direction





ii If you would like a stronger contraction, remove the bulb and insert more air into contractions housing using a syringe in increments of 30 ml, if you would like a weaker contraction, do the opposite



Test again and repeat

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If you would like the uterus to start firm and remain firm through the scenario, you can squeeze the bulb for the uterus and disconnect from the white connector. It will hold the air in and keep the uterus firm

### Turning on the Device

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- Turn on battery of device
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- The green dots on the battery tell you how much battery is left, this is also noted at the top of the app
- Battery will last 30 simulation hours







- Go over entire baby at least once, then go over head and shoulders once more especially if it's your first birth of the day
- If wanted: add vernix onto baby, specifically into all the crevices





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# Loading the Baby/ Placenta



Wrap umbilical cord around placenta at least once and put into the lid of the baby tube



Always make sure you put the umbilical cord in the very back notch to avoid the baby's feet from getting stuck there



If doing skin to skin after the birth, wrap umbilical cord twice around baby to give enough slack to place baby on mom's chest









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Close baby tube, making sure there aren't any limbs getting pinched

The baby should be getting squeezed in the tube, so you should feel a little resistance when closing the lid to the tube



Once the baby is loaded, put the belly back on the device and latch in

## **8** Putting on the Device/Foam Insert



If desired, have the Simulated Participant (SP) put on waterproof pants





If running shoulder dystocia, the foam insert is highly recommended



C Sit device up on bed and position onto your SP, the SP can hold the device by the straps

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- It helps to adjust the height of the bed to sit well on your SP
- The top of the device should land just under your SP's chest









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Put the two straps at the top of the foam insert through the bottom buckles of the device











- It is very hard for most people to feel the head of the baby with their hand when it is coming out of the device while they are wearing it. If you cannot reach the head, please decline the offer if the learner suggests it
  - Positioning of the belly For the most realistic experience, position the device so that the genitalia is aimed towards the bed and extends past the pelvis of the SP. You will not be able to tell if the device is sitting correctly as the wearer. Once in bed, ask the facilitator if the position of the Avbirth looks accurate and adjust the straps or bed positioning accordingly.

### SP Tips

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- Watch our SP training video!
- Wear either leggings or shorts if wearing leggings, bring a change of clothes just in case
  - Bring a spare set of socks
- Wear 1 patient gown backwards and one forward to fully cover the device and SP
  - Remember to breathe when simulating contractions
  - Make sure the device is tight enough to feel secure as you move around the room and the bed. If the device is uncomfortable on your shoulders, tighten the back strap
- If you are performing a standing birth, use the bed as support for the belly as you do the birth
- If you are doing a hands and knees birth, let the belly lay on the bed so you are not holding its weight
# **10** Tips for Delivering the Baby

- Read the SP's Do's and Don'ts to make sure you are on the same page with them!
- You are welcome to cut the umbilical cord! We recommend cutting closer to the baby than the placenta to get the most out of the cord
  - If you optimize the umbilical cord you can get 8 uses out of one cord with 4" cuts. Replace the umbilical cord around 28" in length
- C If performing a PPH scenario, set up a blue pad that starts between the SP and the device to minimize mess
- If running a custom scenario or direct controls, only run fluids before the 3rd contraction and after the baby is birthed
- e Give feedback to SP on positioning of the belly when SP is laying down
- At the end of the scenario, wait 1 minute for the pusher to reset before delivering the placenta.

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Scroll down to the square Avbirth tile with the baby icon. It should be blue. Press the square tile.





Press the next thin rectangular tile on the next page. The 'Connecting...' prompt should appear.



Once the connection is complete, the main Avbirth page with four square orange tiles appears.

### **2** Connecting/Mirroring Avbands

- Turn on the Avband
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From the main Avbirth screen with the 4 orange tiles, press one of the orange circle buttons in the top left of the Avbirth page



Press the blue Avband tile on the next page.

The 'Connecting...' prompt should appear.

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Once an Avband is mirrored to the Avbirth, contraction signals will be sent to the Avband. This alerts any Simulated Participant (SP) wearing them that a contraction is happening.

Press orange underlined 'Avbirth' to go back to the main Avbirth screen

## **3** Avband LED Controls

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In each Avbirth screen, you can press a mirrored LED icon to change the Avband LED color to alert the SP(s)



### Priming the Pump

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Go to the main Avbirth screen with the four orange tiles

- See pages 50-52 if you are unsure of how to do this
- Press the 'Prime Pumps' button
- C Both the blood pump and the amniotic fluid pump will run for 10 seconds. This will fill up the tubing that goes into the genitalia so that the fluids will be immediately visible.



### **Prebuilt Scenario**

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Go to the main Avbirth screen with the four orange tiles

See pages 50-52 if you are unsure of how to do this

Press the 'Prebuilt Scenario' tile with the box icon







Press the big orange button to start the scenario

You can pause the scenario by pressing the 'Pause' button

Once the simulation is complete, the pusher will reset so the placenta can be retrieved.

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Caution - do not reach in to get the placenta while the pusher is still moving!



### **Custom Scenario**

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Go to the main Avbirth screen with the four orange tiles

See pages 50-52 if you are unsure of how to do this

Press the 'Custom Scenario' tile with the pencil icon



Normal birth, Shoulder Dystocia, PPH, Water Breaking

Set the speed (effects of speed of simulation), contraction length, contraction rate, and blood rate, and amniotic rate

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Press start to start the simulation

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You can adjust the settings while the simulation is running

**CAUTION:** When simulation is over, pusher will reset. Only after pusher reset, should you pull the placenta out of the belly

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### iSimulate Control

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Go to the main Avbirth screen with the four orange tiles

- See pages 50-52 if you are unsure of how to do this
- Press the 'iSimulate Control' tile with the heart monitor icon
- C The iSimulate Control only works with the IOS tablet that comes with the FHM add-on. See separate iSimulate instructions to use this feature



### **Direct Control**

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Go to the main Avbirth screen with the four orange tiles

See pages 50-52 if you are unsure of how to do this

Click the 'Direct Control' tile with the gear icon



C Direct control is useful for skills, or any other time you want exact control of baby station and progress of the birth, as well as trouble-shooting and testing the function components of the device.

### Getting Back to the Main Avbirth Screen



The main Avbirth screen has four orange tiles.



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This is the first screen that you see when you connect to an Avbirth

It is the screen where you can mirror Avbands and choose which type of simulation you want to do.









Press the big orange button to turn Demo Mode - the app will restart

You can now interact with any virtual Avkin device as if were physically in front of you



You can get out of Demo Mode and go back to interacting with physical Avkin devices at any time by pressing the menu icon, then Demo Mode, then the big orange button.

# **CLEAN UP AND MAINTENANCE**

### Daily Clean Up



Wipe down all surfaces with a cloth, paper towel, sanitizing wipe, or hand sanitizer



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C Tilt device forward, put cloth or paper towel in front of device underneath genitalia to collect any fluid that leaked to the bottom of the device

> If there is a lot of blood in this part of the device, it might mean that you are running blood when the baby is at later stages of birth. You can prevent blood in the system by not running fluids between the 3rd contraction and when the baby is born



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If you leave some fluids in the device, or do not wipe it down, it is ok. Avkin fluid is antimicrobial and will not grow any mold

Baby clean up

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Remove the umbilical cord if desired for storage



Wipe down the baby and placenta with a damp cloth, cleaning wipe, or hand sanitizer



There may be some vernix in the mouth, use the cloth/wipe to remove that as well



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Monitor the placenta with the umbilical cord removed. You may find tears in the center hole of the placenta



Adding silpoxy to those locations will increase the lifespan of your baby and placenta



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Disconnect bulb from device on belly side of white connector to allow air to escape from the contractions/ uterus, then reconnect the white piece



To clean the silicone belly and genitalia, wipe down with a cloth, use hand sanitizer or alcohol based cleaning agent if needed. To remove tackiness on belly or genitalia, use baby powder or cornstarch (use unsweetened cocoa powder for dark tone skin)



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Remove fluids and flush with distilled water either by putting the ends of the tubes in a little cup of distilled water or fill up a syringe and connect to each tube



If you are not using the Avkin fluids, flush with alcohol diluted with distilled water

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Put paper towels in genitalia to absorb any fluids that you just flushed through



Remove genitalia and cervix, clean thoroughly and inspect for micro tears

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Unscrew two screws at the bottom of the genitalia by lifting the bottom skin flap of the genitalia and inserting the screw driver until you hit the screw. Unscrew until you feel resistance



# Disconnect the two tubes that are going into the top of genitalia











Repair with silpoxy or replace genitalia if you see micro tears at the top of the opening







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Align the notches on the front of the cervix with the notches on the back of the genitalia



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The side protrusions should lay on the edge of the baby tube, if the cervix and genitalia do not slide into the slot easily, loosen the 2 front screws more



Tighten the first screw until you feel resistance, then tighten the second screw all the way, then go back to tighten the first screw the remaining way to ensure alignment


- V Pull up on genitalia to make sure it is in place and secure
- VI Attach fluidics tubes back to genitalia
- VII It does not matter which tube attaches to which connector
- You can use some lubricant if you have any issues connecting the tubes to the connectors



## **3** Replacing the Cervix

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If replacing the cervix, loosen the 7 screws around the edge of cervix. Put in your new silicone cervix with the dome facing towards the plastic cervix housing that says front. Tighten the screws into the cervix plastic.





## 4 Optional Deep Cleaning

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- This step is OPTIONAL and will have no direct impact on the functionality of the Avbirth, but since we are a simulationist owned and run company, we know you might like to do this step once a year during your big equipment cleaning
  - With the genitalia and cervix removed from the device, identify the three screws in the baseplate of the device that have arrows pointing to them







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Lift the inner components of the device out of the carbon fiber base





V Place the screws back in the holes they belong in

- Vi Reinstall the inner components of the device into the carbon fiber base
- VII Screw the three screws back into place



## **5** Replacing the Umbilical Cord



Pull out the placenta cotelydon insert holding the umbilical cord



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Remove the luer from the old umbilical cord and put it in the new

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## 6 Charging

- On the Avkin App, a battery percentage is displayed at the top of the App
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- The Avbirth battery lasts up to 30 simulation hours.
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To charge the battery, unplug the wire from the battery and plug in the charge cord.





The Avbirth contains a rechargeable 24V Lithium Ion Polymer Battery that could cause injury if mishandled. Follow the proper handling procedures for the Avbirth, its battery, and its charger:

- Do not charge the Avbirth with any other charger than the one that came with it
  - Call Avkin for a replacement if you need a new charger
- Do not charge or use unattended
- When charging, keep away any flammable or conductive materials (ex: textiles, paper, metal, etc.)
- Do not disassemble the Avbirth battery
- Do not puncture the Avbirth battery
- Do not immerse the Avbirth battery in water or other liquids
- Do not expose the Avbirth to:
  - Extremely cold temperatures (below freezing, 32 deg F)
  - Extremely hot temperatures (above 130 deg F)
  - Direct sunlight
  - Hot vehicles
  - Mechanical impact (ex: throwing, dropping, etc.)
- Do not use the Avbirth if its battery is damaged
  - Call Avkin for a replacement if you need a new battery
- Store the Avbirth in a cool, dry place
- Keep the Avbirth away from children it is not a toy
- Refer to FAA guidelines for airplane transportation of devices with installed lithium batteries:
  - The Avbirth battery capacity is 82.88Wh, which falls under the 100Wh upper limit for a battery to travel in checked baggage on an airplane while installed inside a device
- Turn the Avbirth completely off (power switch on the battery)
  - It is off when all of the green lights are off
- Protect it from accidental power-on
- Pack it to cushion it from damage

