We work with you to meet your needs, including:

- Medical services
- Substance abuse recovery
- Mental health support
- Medication
- Medicaid
- Housing & transportation
- Parenting support & education
- Childcare
- Respite
- Reach Up, Food Stamps, WIC

We partner with:

- Rutland Regional Medical Center
- Evergreen Substance Abuse Services
- West Ridge Center
- Rutland Area Visiting Nurses Association
- Vermont Department of Health
- Vermont Department of Corrections
- Department for Children and Families

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Pregnant? Using Drugs?
You are not alone. There is help.

Serving and supporting pregnant and post-partum women and their families in Rutland County before, during, and after delivery.
Call 802-786-1479 or 802-747-3588
What is BAMBI?

BAMBI is a network of services set up to support and educate women who are pregnant or new moms with their health, drug addiction, and changing lives.

It is a group of women committed to making improvements for themselves and their families.

Our vision is families free from addiction. Our mission is to promote recovery.

BAMBI coordinates care across a wide spectrum of services, helping with health care for mom and baby, substance abuse treatment and parenting while teaching new life and coping skills.

As part of BAMBI, you will have access to obstetricians, addiction specialists, mental health providers, pediatricians, and nurses from Rutland Regional Medical Center and the Visiting Nurses Association.

Who will know I am in BAMBI?

Your participation in BAMBI is confidential and private. This means only the people you choose to tell and those providing your care will know you are in BAMBI.

Will my baby be safe?

If appropriate, you will start drug replacement therapy as part of your care. BAMBI uses subutex (buprenorphine), which is safe for you and your baby during pregnancy when used as prescribed. There are risks with any drug use in pregnancy, and BAMBI will help you navigate what is safe.

What about when my baby is born?

Subutex can pass from mother to baby during pregnancy. In the days following delivery, your baby may show signs of drug withdrawal, called neonatal abstinence syndrome, and will need to be monitored at the hospital for a few days. Some babies may need treatment for their symptoms.

Can I stay in BAMBI after I deliver?

After your baby is born, you will switch from subutex to suboxone treatment. When you are ready, BAMBI will work with you to find another MAT treatment program.

You can do it.
We are there to help.

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I have questions

Who can be in BAMBI?

BAMBI is a program for women in the Rutland region who are newly pregnant or recently gave birth and want to stop using drugs.

How do I join BAMBI?

Start by calling. If it sounds like BAMBI is a good fit, you will meet with BAMBI staff to commit to the program. You will then go through an induction period to start you on subutex, assess your health needs and prepare a substance abuse recovery plan.

What do I do in BAMBI?

Being in BAMBI means being committed to your health, your babies health, and staying off un-prescribed drugs. You will be an active part of your care. This includes regular urine screens, strip counts, group session attendance, and being available.