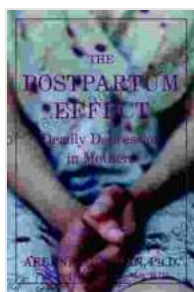


The Postpartum Effect: Deadly Depression in Mothers

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experience more severe symptoms, such as thoughts of suicide or harm to the baby, that require professional help.

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Some of the most common symptoms of postpartum depression include:

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Sadness or depression * Anxiety or irritability * Fatigue or exhaustion *
Changes in appetite or sleep * Difficulty concentrating or making
decisions * Feelings of guilt, shame, or worthlessness * Thoughts of
suicide or harm to the baby

If you are experiencing any of these symptoms, it is important to talk to your doctor. Postpartum depression is a serious condition, but it is treatable. With treatment, most women with postpartum depression can recover and go on to live healthy, fulfilling lives.

Causes of Postpartum Depression

The exact cause of postpartum depression is not known, but it is thought to be caused by a combination of factors, including:

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Changes in hormone levels * Physical and emotional stress of childbirth
* Lack of sleep * Difficulty adjusting to the new role of motherhood *
History of depression or anxiety * Difficult birth or postpartum
complications

Postpartum depression is more likely to occur in women who have a history of depression or anxiety, or who have experienced a difficult birth or postpartum complications. However, it is important to note that postpartum depression can affect any woman, regardless of her risk factors.

Treatment for Postpartum Depression

Postpartum depression is a treatable condition. There are a variety of effective treatments available, including medication, therapy, and self-help strategies.

* **Medication:** Antidepressants are the most common type of medication used to treat postpartum depression. They can help to improve mood, sleep, and appetite. * **Therapy:** Therapy can help women to understand and cope with the symptoms of postpartum depression. There are a variety of different types of therapy that can be effective for postpartum depression, including cognitive-behavioral therapy (CBT), interpersonal therapy (IPT), and psychodynamic therapy. * **Self-help strategies:** There are a number of things that women can do to help themselves cope with postpartum depression, including: * Getting regular exercise * Eating a

healthy diet * Getting enough sleep * Avoiding alcohol and drugs * Talking to a friend or family member about your feelings * Joining a support group for women with postpartum depression

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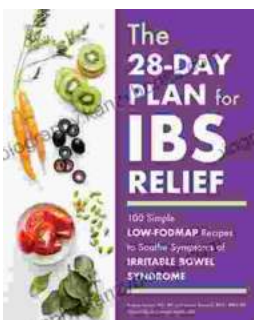


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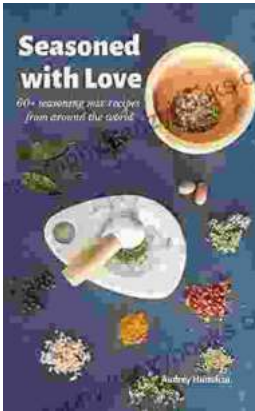
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