

**P 18. STAKES OF A PILOT CENTER FOR THE DIFFUSION OF THE KANGAROO MOTHER CARE METHOD IN AFRICA: THE CASE OF THE LAQUINTINIE HOSPITAL IN DOUALA (CAMEROON)**

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The unit of the premature babies in the Laquintinie hospital of Douala (HLD) is accredited since 2003 as a Pilot Centre for Africa, to the training in the Kangaroo Mother Care program. For the extension of this technique,

we wrote down and made a didactic movie, as a learning material in our training module of the team. The Kangaroo Mother Care program could be of a great impact in the reduction of the neonatal morbi - mortality in our continent. It deserves to be spread out as a comprehensive and cost effective means easily and realistically achievable in any country of the developing world. **Key words:** kangaroo mother care Program; medical movie; Cameroon; training; morbidity; mortality; pilot center.