

Supplementary figure 1: Funnel plot showing the distribution of 10 studies investigating the effect of gender of new-born on timely initiation of breastfeeding.



Supplementary figure 2: Funnel plot showing the distribution of 13 studies investigating the effect of antenatal care on timely initiation of breastfeeding.



Supplementary figure 3: Funnel plot showing the distribution of 15 studies (4 studies imputed using the trim and fill method) investigating the effect of gender of new-born on exclusive breastfeeding. Black dots indicates original studies whereas white dots indicates imputed studies.



Supplementary figure 4: Funnel plot showing the distribution of 21 studies investigating the effect of antenatal care on exclusive breastfeeding.



Supplementary figure 5: Funnel plot showing the distribution of seven studies investigating the effect of postnatal care on exclusive breastfeeding.