



Build Back Better Act

Black Maternal Health Momnibus Act Investments

The Energy & Commerce Committee's **Build Back Better Act** legislation includes historic investments from the **Black Maternal Health Momnibus Act** to save moms' lives, end racial and ethnic maternal health disparities, and advance birth equity across the United States:

- Provides **\$175 million** in funding for local entities to address **social determinants of maternal health** like housing, nutrition, and environmental conditions – including a **minimum of \$75 million exclusively for community-based organizations** working to promote maternal health equity.
- Provides **\$275 million** to grow and diversify the **perinatal health workforce**, including nurses, midwives, physicians, doulas, and maternal mental and behavioral health professionals – including **\$50 million specifically for doulas**.
- Provides **\$100 million** for **maternal mental health equity** grant programs.
- Provides **\$85 million** to address the impacts of **climate change-related maternal and infant health risks** through health professional schools.
- Provides **\$50 million** to **advance maternal health research at Minority-Serving Institutions** like Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Tribal Colleges and Universities, Hispanic-Serving Institutions, and AAPISts.
- Provides **\$50 million** to promote **representative community engagement** in Maternal Mortality Review Committees.
- Provides **\$160 million** to **strengthen federal maternal health programs** like the CDC's Surveillance for Emerging Threats to Mothers and Babies program, Enhancing Reviews and Surveillance to Eliminate Maternal Mortality (ERASE MM), Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS), and the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD).
- Provides **\$60 million** to expand access to digital tools and **technologies that promote maternal health equity**.
- Provides **\$25 million** for **bias trainings among health care professionals**.

The Build Back Better legislation also includes a **mandatory** provision that will make federal funds **permanently** available for states to spend on expanded postpartum Medicaid and CHIP coverage to one year in **every state**, with **full state plan benefits** throughout pregnancy and the yearlong postpartum period.