Tri-Regional Maternal Health Conference:

Community-Led Interventions in the Mississippi River Delta

August 9-10, 2022

Working Agenda

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| **Aug. 9, 2022** | |
| 8:30 a.m. | **Registration** |
| 9:00 a.m. | **Welcome and Opening Remarks**  Speakers:  Sima Ladjevardian, JD, Region 6 Director, US Dept of Health and Human Services  Mehran S. Massoudi, PhD, MPH, CAPT, US Public Health Service, Region 6 Health Administrator |
| 9:15 a.m. | **Panel: Our Stories - Experiences in Utilizing Maternal Health Services**  Speakers:  Alexis Jackson, CD-L, CD-PIC, Owner, Your Family Tree Doula Services, LLC  Paige Jackson, Vice-President of External Relations, Abide Women's Health Services  Tiffany Martin, WIC Breastfeeding Peer Counselor  Facilitator: Simone Taylor, MS, RN, Region 7 Women’s Health Analyst  *Objective: Lead into discussion of interventions via the lived experiences of those most affected.* |
| 10:45 a.m. | **Break** |
| 11:00 a.m. | **Status of Maternal Health: Trends in the Delta Region**  Speaker:  William “Sam” Greenfield, MD, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences  Moderator: Derica Mack, MBA, Women’s Health Section Chief, Arkansas Department of Health  *Objective: Provide the data to understand the scope and examine root causes.* |
| Noon | ***Box Lunch - Sponsored by Arkansas Minority Health Commission*** |
| 1:15 p.m. | **Mindfulness Meditation**  Guide: Kenya Eddings, MPH, CWWS, Executive Director, Arkansas Minority Health Commission |
| 1:30 p.m. | **Historical Perspectives on Structural Racism and the Impact on Maternal Health**  Speaker:  Nakeitra L. Burse, DrPH, CHES®, CEO, Six Dimensions LLC  Moderator: Roshunda Ivory, DrPH, CHES, Region 4 Minority Health Analyst  *Objective: Provide root cause insight in history, social determinants of health and structural racism and implications for maternal health inequities in The Delta.* |
| 2:30 p.m. | **Break** |
| 2:45 p.m. | **Breakouts:**  **A: Reaching Birthing People in Rural Areas**  Speaker:  Barbara Gleason, MSN, RN, Project Director, Bootheel Perinatal Network  Rachel Burger, BSN, System Care Coordinator, Bootheel Perinatal Network  Facilitator: Rachel Piotrowski, MPH, CPH, HRSA Region 6  *Objective: Consider responses to social determinants of health that may be unique to rural environments and their impact on maternal health.*  **B: Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services in Maternal Health Care**  Speaker:  Juliet Bui, Acting Director, Division of Policy and Data, Office of Minority Health, US Dept. of Health and Human Services  Facilitator: Corstella Johnson, MPH, CHES, Region 7 Minority Health Analyst, OASH  *Objective: Discuss the importance of providing culturally and linguistically appropriate services (CLAS) across the continuum of maternal health care, and the use of the National Standards for Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services in Health and Health Care (National CLAS Standards) as a framework for implementing CLAS.*  **C: Substance Use Disorders in the Perinatal Period**  Speakers:  Charles Langham, MD, Ret. Clinical Director, Federal Bureau of Prisons  Thenral D. Mangadu, PhD, MPH, Associate Professor, Public Health Sciences - Interdisciplinary Health Sciences & Associate Vice President, ORSP, Interdisciplinary Research, University of Texas El Paso  Facilitator: Monica Geiger, MSN, RN, CCHP, LT, U.S. Public Health Service, Region 6 Women’s Health Analyst  *Objective: Learn about successful strategies for substance use disorder support in the perinatal period and consider ways to expand and replicate the practices.* |
| 4:00 p.m. | **Breakout Report Back**  *Objective: Each group summarizes main topics of discussion for all participants. An in-person attendee will be called upon to report out.* |
| 4:30 p.m. | **Closing Thoughts & Evaluations**  *Objective: Provide overview of the* *Communities Improving Maternal Care Alliance (The Alliance). Summarize next steps.* |
| 5:00 p.m. | **Adjourn** |

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| **Aug. 10, 2022** | |
| 9:00 a.m. | **Welcome and Review of Key Learning from Day 1**  Speaker: Ella Ewart-Pierce, MPH, Region 6 Minority Health Analyst, OASH |
| 9:15 a.m. | **Providers, Implicit Bias, and Undoing Structural Racism**  Speaker:  Ekwutosi M. Okoroh, MD, Division of Reproductive Health, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, GA  Facilitator: Kevin M. Greene, PhD, MPH, MA, Region 4 Women’s Health Analyst, OASH  *Objective: Examine root causes of maternal mortality disparities and consider wide-ranging types of policies that affect social determinants of maternal health.* |
| 10:15 a.m. | **Break** |
| 11:00 a.m. | **Centering our Stories for Collective Impact**  Speaker:  Honour McDaniel, Director, Maternal Infant Health, March of Dimes  *Objective: Learn tools and strategies to prioritize critical actions that local, state, and federal government, as well as community organizations can take together to further improvements in maternal health.* |
| 12:30 p.m. | ***Box Lunch - Sponsored by Arkansas Minority Health Commission*** |
| 1:30 | **Mindfulness Meditation**  Guide: Kenya Eddings, MPH, CWWS, Executive Director, Arkansas Minority Health Commission |
| 1:45 | Break |
| 2:00 p.m. | **Breakouts:**  **A: Reaching High-Risk Birthing People in Non-Traditional Settings: Telehealth & Innovative Programs**  Speaker:  Dawn Brown, BSN, RNC-ONQS, Clinical Program Director-POWER, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, Institute for Digital Health & Innovation, High Risk Pregnancy Program  Facilitator: Derica Mack, MBA, Women’s Health Section Chief, Arkansas Department of Health  *Objective: Provide overview of successful strategies to address high-risk pregnancy and positively impacting patient care with the use of technology.*  **B: Addressing the Lack of Representation in Lactation**  Speakers:  Tiffany Martin, WIC Breastfeeding Peer Counselor  Andrea Serano, Program Director, Reaching Our Sisters Everywhere (ROSE)  Facilitator: Corstella Johnson, MPH, CHES Region 7 Minority Health Analyst  *Objective: Consider the lack of cultural, racial, and ethnic diversity in lactation support services, across different types of providers including peer counselors, IBCLCs, and others.*  **C: Innovative Strategies for Improved Birthing Outcomes**  Speakers:  Paige Jackson, Vice-President of External Relations, Abide Women's Health Services  Ebonie Bailey, CD(DONA), Chair & Co-Founder of Iowa Black Doula Collective, Naturally Ebonie Doula Services  Alexis Jackson, CD-L, CD-PIC, Owner, Your Family Tree Doula Services, LLC  Facilitator: Ella Ewart-Pierce, MPH, Region 6 Minority Health Analyst, OASH  *Objective: Discuss benefits of and opportunities for expanding collaborative care, access to doula services, and midwifery support for minority birthing people.* |
| 3:00 | **Break** |
| 3:05 p.m. | **Moving Ahead: Evidence-Based Community Action**  Speakers:  Catherine J. Vladutiu PhD, MPH, Senior Epidemiologist, Office of Epidemiology and Research, Maternal and Child Health Bureau  Veronica Gillispie-Bell, MD, MAS, FACOG, Medical Director, Louisiana Perinatal Quality Collaborative and Pregnancy Associated Mortality Review  Facilitator: Essi Havor, MSN, RN, PHNA-BC, HRSA Region 6 Maternal and Child Health Consultant  *Objective: Identify and prioritize evidence-based actions that communities, local government, and federal government can take together to address the maternal health crisis.* |
| 4:45 p.m. | **Closing Remarks**  Speaker:  Sharyl Trail, PsyD, CDR, US Public Health Service Commissioned Corps/Licensed Clinical Psychologist, Deputy Regional Administrator, Office of Intergovernmental and External Affairs, Health Resources & Services Administration |
| 5:00 | **Adjourn** |