

OPIOID OVERDOSE: OHIO'S LEADING CAUSE OF PREGNANCY-ASSOCIATED DEATH

The Ohio Department of Health Pregnancy-Associated Mortality Review has identified unintentional Opioid Overdose (OD) as the leading cause of pregnancy-associated death in Ohio.

One means of addressing this health issue is providing a naloxone



overdose kit (Narcan) to pregnant and postpartum moms and their close contacts.

OPQC is interested in learning about experiences and practices of obstetricians, family physicians, neonatologists, and pediatricians related to

providing Narcan kits to pregnant, delivering, and postpartum patients and to the mothers of infants.

Please take a brief **survey here** and share your experiences.

AIM TO HOST OBSTETRIC EMERGENCY READINESS COMMUNITY OF LEARNING



The Alliance for Innovation in Maternal Health (AIM) will host the first Obstetric Emergency Readiness Community of Learning, which is a collaborative learning series designed to support non-obstetric, lower resourced, and

rural facilities. This Community of Learning is designed to share best practices and resources to prepare for recognition and response to obstetric emergencies in non-obstetrical care settings, and in facilities with limited access to specialty care providers. AIM supports safe maternal care to reduce severe maternal illness and deaths in hospitals and birthing centers.

All interested emergency room healthcare professionals, quality improvement coordinators, facility-based teams, and hospital leadership from all states are welcome.

Educational offering topics may include:

- Building a Facility-Based Rapid Response Team
- Simulations for Obstetric Readiness + Strategies for Remote Drills and Sims
- Key Considerations and Best Practices for Patient Transport
- Post Event Debriefs and System Improvements

Registration is now open! Be among the first to register here.

PANDEMIC CONTINUOUS ENROLLMENT PROVISION ENDS MARCH 31: USE THE PRAF!!!



Time is running out! The continuous enrollment in Medicaid for pregnant individuals allowed by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services during the pandemic is coming to an end.

This provision expires on March 31, 2023, and terminations begin on April 1, 2023.

This makes it especially important to use the Ohio Department of Medicaid's electronic Pregnancy Risk Assessment Form (also known as the e-PRAF or PRAF 2.0) to alert Medicaid when a Medicaid-insured patient is pregnant and ensure continuous enrollment during pregnancy, delivery, and postpartum.

The e-PRAF platform is located at **nurtureohio.com**.

You can access the e-PRAF manual and updated videos to reflect the change in how users get access and log into PRAF 2.0 by accessing the online manual or via YouTube:

- Access the updated manual here.
- Access updated YouTube video here.

Individuals needing additional help in submitting e-PRAFs through the NurtureOhio platform should email Momsandbabies@medicaid.ohio.gov

(Note: The <u>momsandbabies @medicaid.ohio.gov</u> address replaces the former progesterone_pip @medicaid.ohio.gov)

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