

Safe Motherhood and Infant Health

Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 President's Budget Request: +\$56 million

CDC is committed to eliminating preventable pregnancy-related deaths and ensuring the best possible pregnancy outcomes. We have begun to make strides in improving the data systems that can drive action. Additional investments are needed to further build the maternal mortality prevention infrastructure and ensure quality care that achieves equity in maternal care and outcomes.

SPOTLIGHT ON IMPACT



In response to a recommendation from their Maternal Mortality Review Committee (MMRC), Utah launched a website where women and clinicians can search for providers in their area specifically trained in maternal mental health screening and treatment. In the first month, this website received **1,300** visitors.



Illinois, Tennessee, and Washington have used their MMRC findings to support the extension of full postpartum Medicaid coverage from **2-months** to **1-year** postpartum.



The *Hear Her* Campaign, which shares potentially life-saving messages about the urgent warning signs of conditions that threaten maternal health, is being used by women and their families to reach out to their healthcare providers about concerns, with over **1,500,000** unique visitors to Hear Her webpages and **260,000,000** impressions through digital and social media.

FY 2024 BUDGET REQUEST

CDC is working to strengthen and expand key public health prevention infrastructure to improve maternal and infant health. CDC has made rapid progress with MMRCs to standardize definitions and data collection processes to ensure there is robust data on pregnancy-related mortality that can drive action. CDC will expand our financial and technical support of Perinatal Quality Collaboratives (PQC) to support a PQC in every state implementing quality improvement and increasing equity in care and outcomes. Finally, CDC will expand support for surveillance to facilitate data timeliness, completeness, and analysis and implement support for data-informed prevention efforts.

FY 2024 KEY OBJECTIVES

- Support efforts that ensure the right care at the right time through quality improvement and risk appropriate care by expanding PQCs to every state
- Directly support states to implement risk appropriate care and the CDC Levels of Care Assessment Tool
- Develop coordinated regional systems of maternal and neonatal care
- Ensure that pregnant women and infants at high risk of complications receive care at a facility that is best prepared to meet their health needs



- Expand the *Hear Her* Campaign, a national effort to raise awareness on the urgent maternal warning signs during and after pregnancy and to improve communication between patients and their providers
- Ensure that women and communities are heard and are central to efforts to improve maternal care and outcomes by funding Community-Based Organizations to implement multi-level maternal mortality prevention efforts built on the data



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For more information, please visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/reproductivehealth/maternal-mortality/index.html>

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