Fetal and Infant Mortality

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Objectives

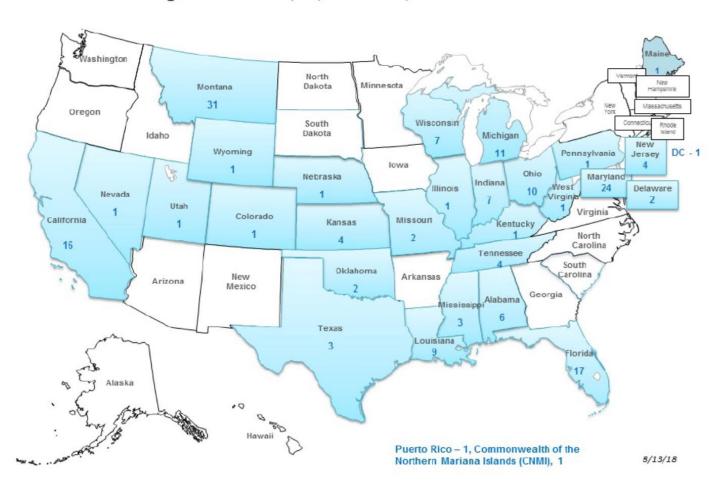
- •Discuss Indianapolis Healthy Babies-Fetal Infant Mortality Review (IHB-FIMR) initiatives to improving health equity.
- Understand how Fetal and Infant Mortality Review (FIMR) programs can provide qualitative information on disparities.
- •Identify strategies to address fetal and infant mortality.

STEPS IN FIMR **Death Occurs** FIMR PROCESS: CONTINUOUS QUALITY IMPROVEMENT (CQI) Cases Selected Data Gathering Data abstracted Changes in THE CYCLE OF **CRT reviews** Community IMPROVEMENT & recommends Systems **CAT proposes** & takes Action community action Improved health

Fetal and Infant Mortality Review (FIMR)

United States FIMR Programs

175 FIMR Programs is 28 States, DC, Puerto Rico, and CNMI



Indiana FIMR Programs

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"The infant death rate is the truest index of the welfare of any community."

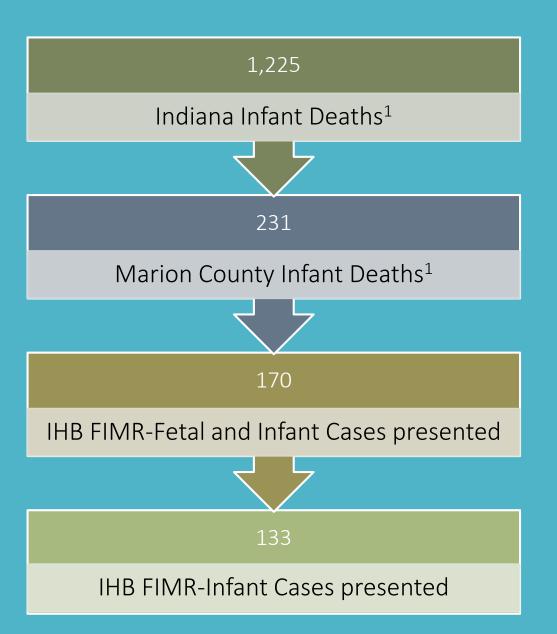
Robert Hamlett Bremner, 1971

Indianapolis Healthy Babies-Fetal Infant Mortality Review (IHB-FIMR)

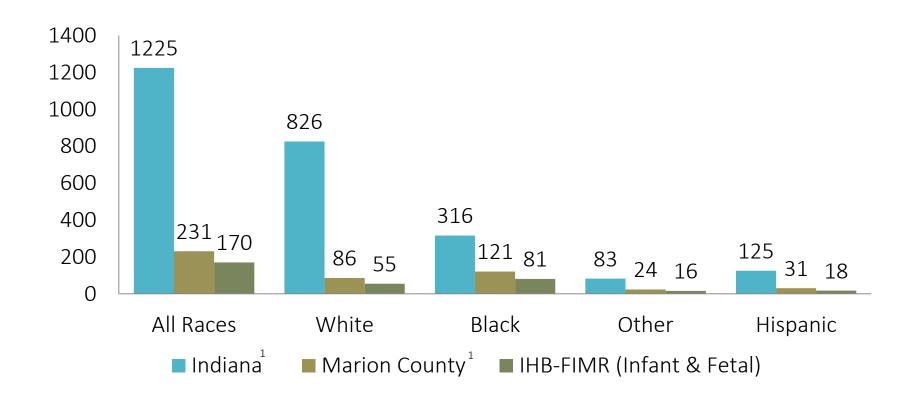
Mission

The mission of FIMR is to tell the stories of mothers whose infants represent the fetal infant mortality rates in Marion County, by "painting the faces behind the numbers" through studying fetal & infant death information, listening to the mothers and protecting their privacy, with the goal of improving maternal child services and infant mortality through community partnerships.

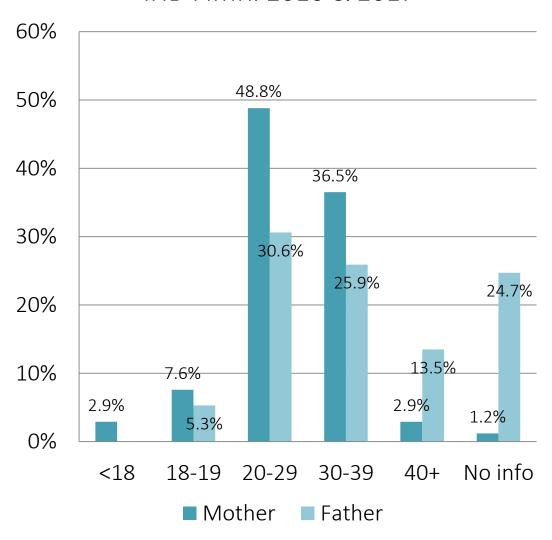
2016 &2017Findings



Infant Mortality 2016 & 2017

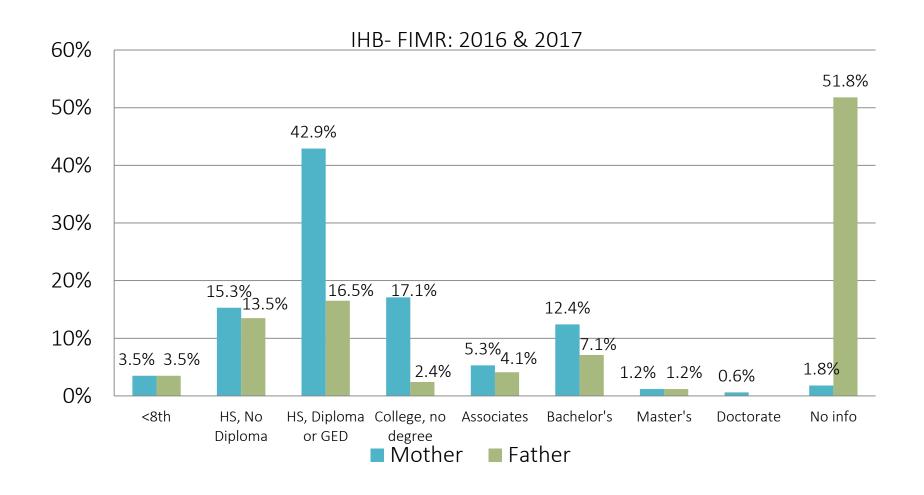


IHB-FIMR: 2016 & 2017



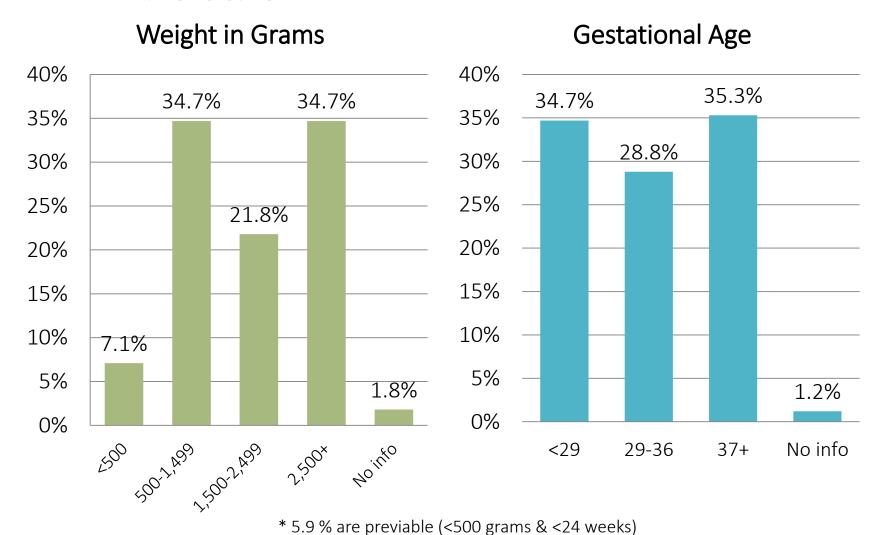
Parental Age

Parental Level of Education



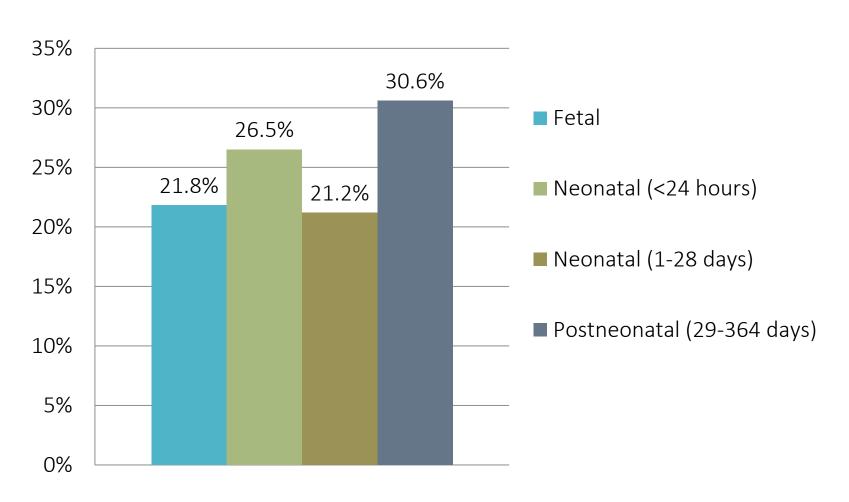
Gestational Age and Weight at Birth

IHB-FIMR: 2016 & 2017



Age at Death

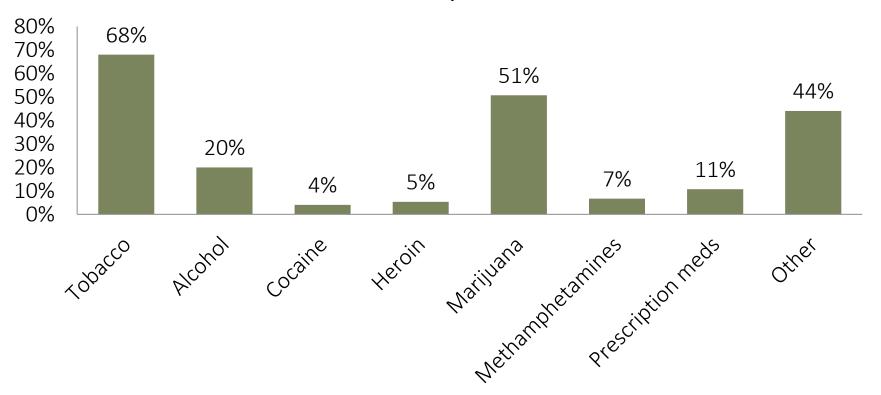
IHB- FIMR: 2016 & 2017



Substance Use

IHB- FIMR: 2016 & 2017 44.1% of records with any substance use

Breakdown by Substance



Adverse Birth Outcomes

Risk Factors

- Early rupture of placental membranes
- Intrauterine infection
- Genetic abnormalities of the uterus, cervix, and/or placenta
- Multiple pregnancies or fertility treatments
- Birth spacing
- Maternal age
- History of preterm birth
- Chronic stress
- Context of pregnancy
- Nutrition, social supports, environment
- Drugs of abuse (i.e. opioids), smoking, alcohol
- Domestic violence

FIMR Contributing Factors

67% Poverty

64% Pre-existing maternal medical conditions (asthma, HTN, diabetes, mental health disorders etc.)

50% Prematurity

41% Unplanned pregnancy

40% Obesity

37% Maternal infection other than STD's

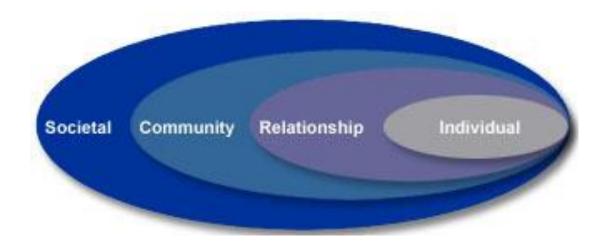
34% History of fetal or infant loss

31% Other emotional stressors during pregnancy (job loss, loss of loved one, incarceration, divorce, natural disaster)

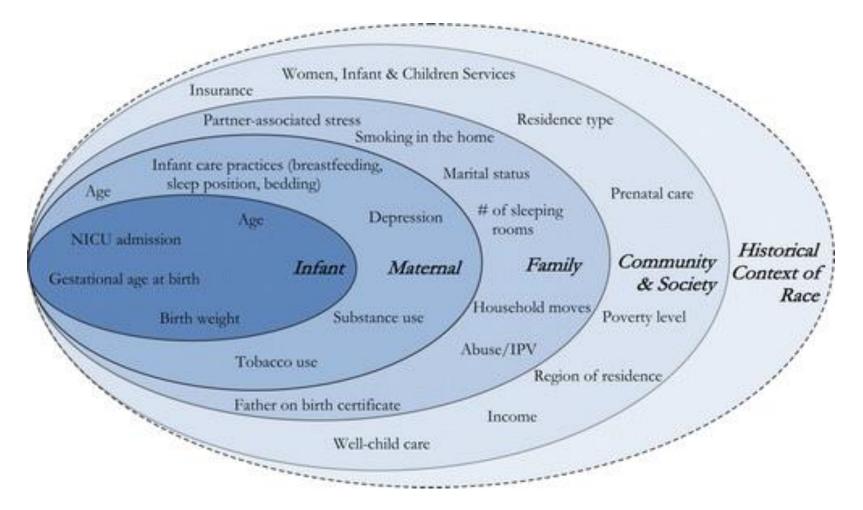
30% Presence of life course perspective risk factors (stressors in childhood, history of abuse, poverty, lack of support).

27% Late entry into prenatal care after 13th weeks

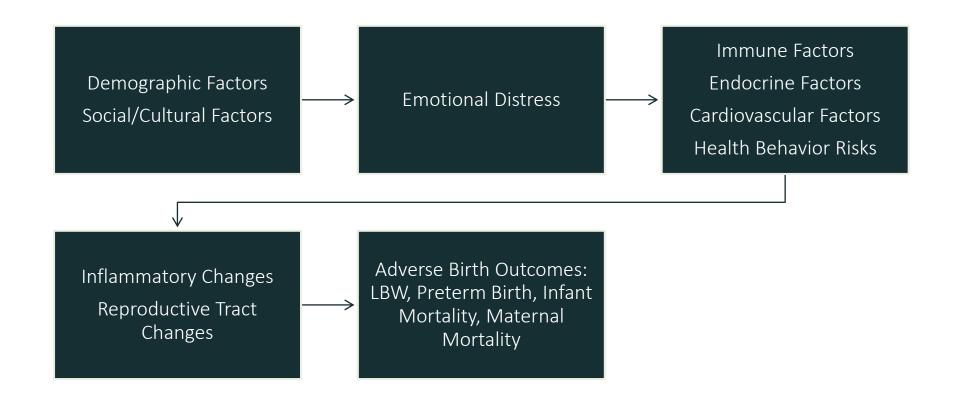
Social Ecological Model



Socio-Ecological Model to Mother-Infant Bed-Sharing

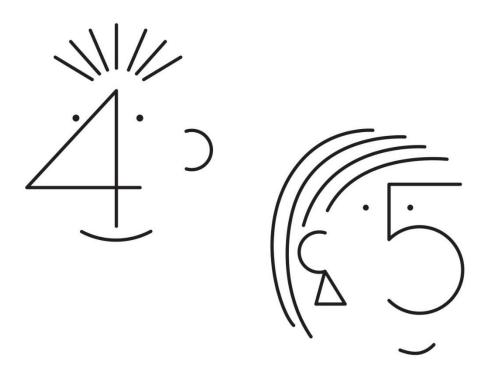


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Multifactorial Framework for Adverse Birth Outcomes

Painting the faces behind the numbers



Demographic, Social, & Cultural Factors

IHB-FIMR: 2016 & 2017



2013 - 2017 Infant Mortality Rates by Zip Code

Zip Code	County	Births	Deaths	Infant Mortality Rate (IMR)	White IMR	Black IMR
46404	Lake	1,093	22	20.1	**	21.2
46312	Lake	2,350	37	15.8	11.2*	23.4
46324	Lake	1,409	22	15.6	15.0*	24.1*
46806	Allen	2,333	36	15.4	13.1*	22.2
46619	St. Joseph	1,631	23	14.1	5.7*	19.8*
46218	Marion	2,490	36	14.5	**	18.7
46226	Marion	3,483	44	12.6	6.5*	14.8
46203	Marion	3,093	39	12.6	10.2	16.4*
46205	Marion	2,417	30	12.4	8.9*	15.3
47130	Clark	2,966	36	12.1	12.3	15.6*
46628	St. Joseph	2,059	24	11.7	4.2*	20.8
46229	Marion	1,976	23	11.6	6.3*	13.8*
46235	Marion	3,191	37	11.6	6.3*	13.0

*Numerator less than 20, the rate is unstable.

**Rate has been suppressed due to five or fewer outcomes.

Emotional Stress

Medical Records:

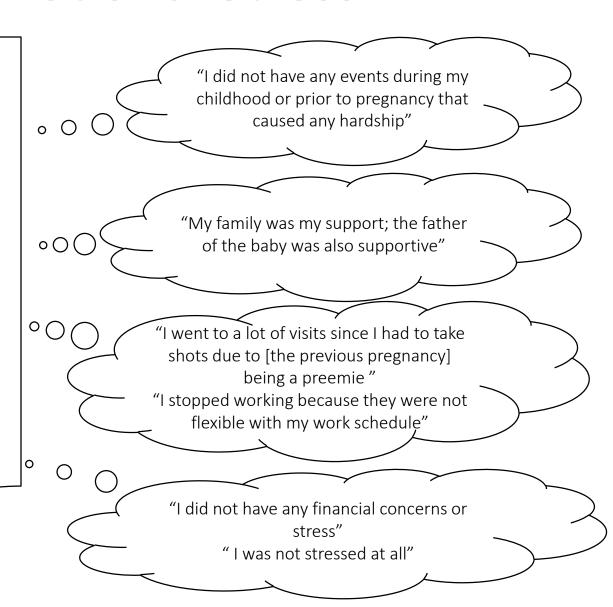
She watched a family member take their life

Father of Baby: Incarcerated

Household income: 0-\$9,999

Prenatal care:

- Weekly Makena injections
- Previous premature baby



Immune, Endocrine, and Cardiovascular factors & Health Behavior Risks

Medical Records:

Medical:

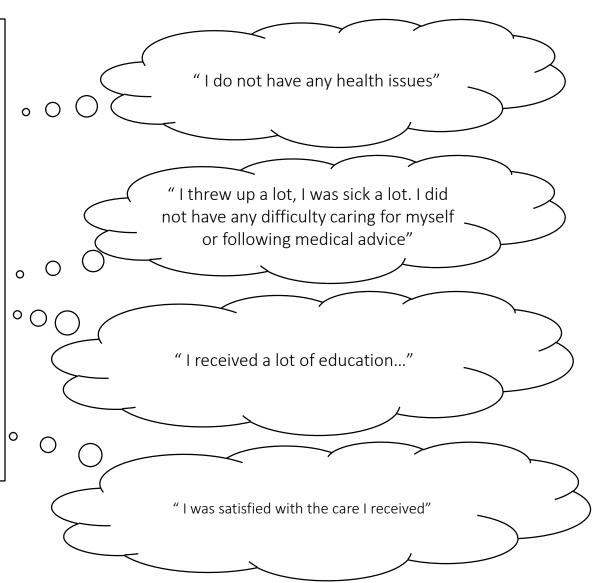
- Former smoker
- BMI 45.7

OB History:

- Hypertension in prior pregnancy
- Preterm delivery around 32 weeks

Prenatal care:

- Started in 1st trimester
- Had 12 visits,
- Followed up with referrals
- Compliant with care



Inflammatory & Reproductive Tract Changes

Medical Records:

Family planning:

- Unplanned
- 14 month pregnancy interval

Prenatal care:

- Urinary infection,
- Makena injection site infection,
- Bacterial vaginosis,
- Group B strep +

Delivery:

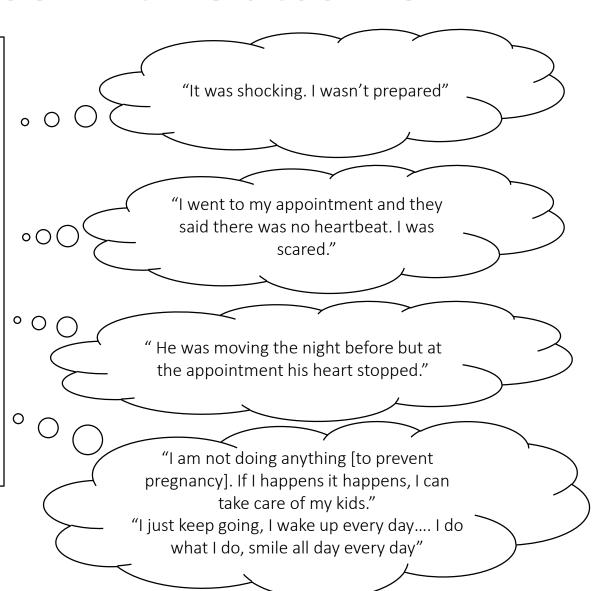
 Elevated blood pressure on admission



Adverse Birth Outcome

Medical Records:

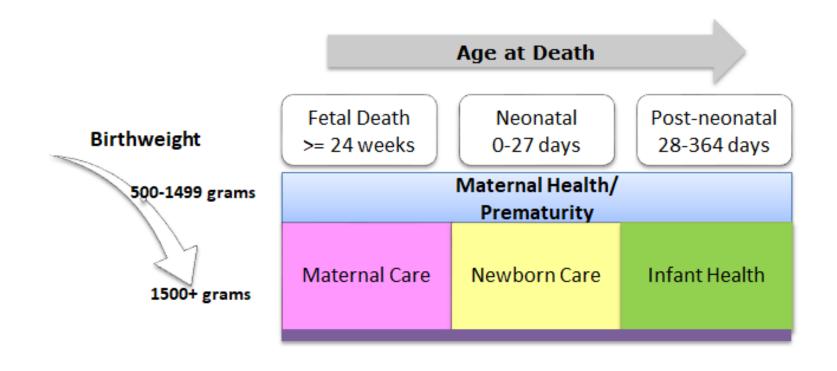
38 Week Ultrasound: Fetal Demise





Community Action Team

Perinatal Periods of Risk (PPOR)

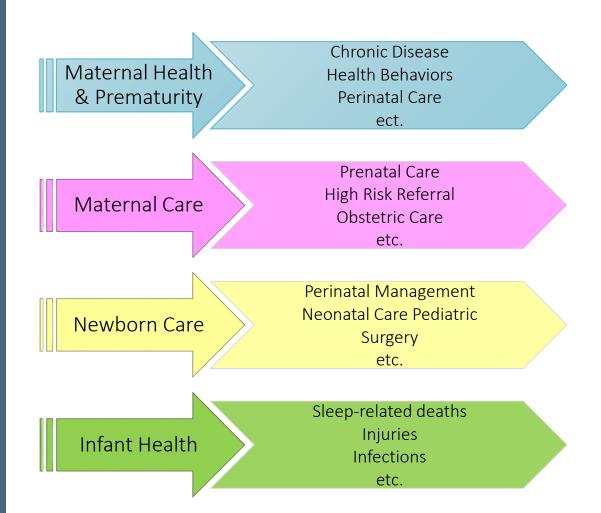


PPOR Mapping Results

Fetal-Infant Mortality Rate by Population Group, Marion County 2013-2017

Group	Maternal Health/ Prematurity	Maternal Care	Newborn Care	Infant Health
Reference Group	1.88	1.93	1.29	1.29
Marion County	3.32	2.2	1.4	1.86
Compared to Reference Group	1.44	0.27	0.11	0.57
White, non-Hispanic	2.92	2.12	1.4	1.67
Compared to Reference Group	1.04	0.19	0.11	0.38
Black, non-Hispanic	4.83	2.44	1.32	2.29
Compared to Reference Group	2.95	0.51	0.03	1.00
Hispanic	2.35	1.86	1.17	1.76
Compared to Reference Group	0.47	-0.07	-0.12	0.47
<12 years education	3.5	1.72	0.89	2.61
Compared to Reference Group	1.62	-0.21	-0.4	1.32
12+ years education	3.2	2.3	1.48	1.59
Compared to Reference Group	1.32	0.37	0.19	0.30
Mother <20 years	4.32	1.03	1.44	2.67
Compared to Reference Group	2.44	-0.90	0.15	1.38
Mother 20-35 years	2.99	2.15	1.31	1.72
Compared to Reference Group	1.11	0.22	0.02	0.43
Mother 35+ years	4.87	3.03	1.97	2.24
Compared to Reference Group	2.99	1.10	0.68	0.95

Risk and Prevention Factors



Intervention Strategies

Broad range of interventions to help improve birth outcomes:

- For mother
- For the healthcare system/provider
- Policy Changes: For larger societal factors that influence birth outcomes
- Community Capacity Building

Life Course Approach

- Preconception care: A set of interventions that aim to identify and modify biomedical, behavioral and social risks to a women's health and pregnancy outcome through prevention and management. CDC, 2006
- Prenatal care
- Labor/Delivery: Hygiene, Clear Airways, Thermoregulation, Initiate Breastfeeding
- Postpartum
- Interconception care



Public Health Interventions for Prenatal Care

Centering Pregnancy: Group Prenatal Care

https://www.centeringhealthcare.org/what-we-do/centering-pregnancy

Healthy Start Program: Comprehensive Prenatal/Postpartum Care (18 months) and community-based initiatives:

https://mchb.hrsa.gov/maternal-child-health-initiatives/healthy-start

Home visiting programs: providing home-based prenatal support and education to pregnant women and women of infants using nurse or community health workers.

https://www.m2m.org/where-we-work/south-africa/

https://www.ednahospital.org

https://www.nursefamilypartnership.org

Fatherhood programs: engaging men in programs about parenthood

https://fathersandfamiliescoalition.org/affiliates/international-affiliates/fathers-and-families-coalition-of-africa.html

Postpartum or Interconception Care

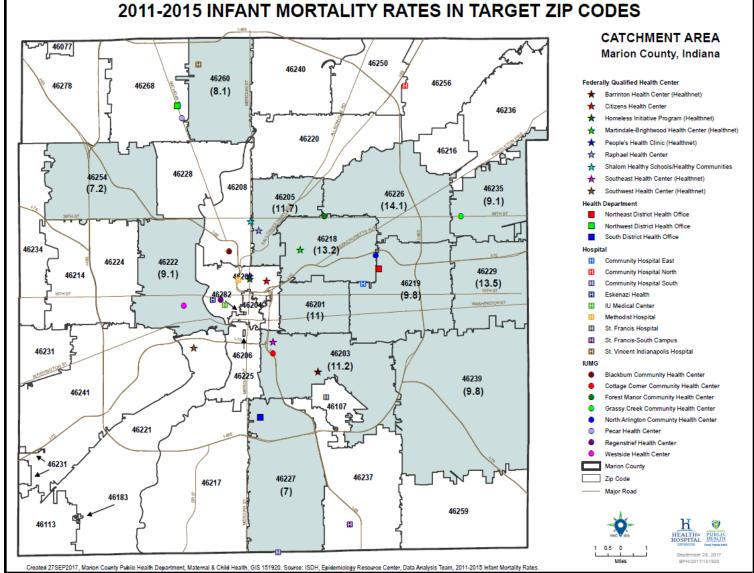
Important period for maternal intervention

- Family planning
- General physical health after delivery
- Home environment
- Mental Health



High Risk Zip Codes





Optimal Maternal Health



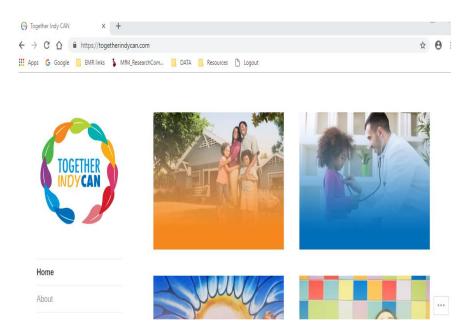
Establish relationships to determine the needs of the community based on what they perceive as their needs.

- Tabernacle Presbyterian
- •Al Haqq Muslim Center
- Exodus Refugee Center
- Purpose of life Ministries



Facebook page

• @togetherindycan



Website

• https://togetherindycan.com/



Youth

Schools

Community events



Men

Marion County Jail Manhood program

Father's Focused baby shower



Moms

Project Home Indy

Family Shelters



Grandparents

Community Healthplex

Churches

Baby showers

Safe Sleep

Safe Sleep Events

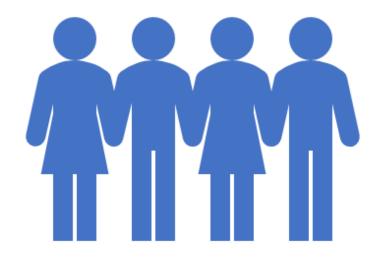


27 Community Events

Safe Sleep Ambassador trainings

78 adults

145 youth



Member Impact

Case Review & Community Action Members







AWARENESS TO AVAILABLE PROGRAMS



"FIMR HAS AIDED IN THE INCREASED EDUCATION AND KNOWLEDGE OF WHAT IS OCCURRING IN THE COMMUNITIES WE SERVE"



"IT HAS FORCED ME TO CHANGE MY NURSING PRACTICE AS I MAKE A CONSCIOUS EFFORT TO PROVIDE SAFE SLEEP EDUCATION NO MATTER IF THEY ARE FIRST TIME MOTHERS OR A MOTHER THAT HAS HAD THREE OR FOUR CHILDREN AND HAS HEARD IT 100 TIMES OVER"

Awareness



- Medicaid HMO's provided an overview of their services and answered questions at Indianapolis Healthy Babies Consortium.
- Media campaigns on preconception health and safe sleep
- Increase utilization of resources after mailing brochures to private obstetrician offices.
- Share findings with leadership, Chin staff, Chin population and personnel from many organizations that serve the Chin population.

Actions

- Letters sent to delivering hospitals on the number of unsafe sleep deaths.
- Safe Sleep education was added to the Indiana Black Barbershop Health Initiative
- Healthy Start provided dolls for death scene reenactments and helped finance Sudden Unexplained infant death training
- Assisted in preparing for the electronic death certificate and fetal death certificate





Thank you

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