The US has the **HIGHEST MATERNAL DEATH RATE** among the world’s developed nations.

Michigan’s infant mortality rate is **6.4 DEATHS** for every **1,000 BIRTHS**. The national rate is **5.8 DEATHS**. The infant mortality rate is **2.5 TIMES HIGHER** for babies of color.

In 2017, **70 WOMEN** in Michigan **DIED** during pregnancy, at delivery or within a year of giving birth.

Infants that die in Michigan are **DISPROPORTIONATELY**:
- PREMATURE with low birth weight
- Born to mothers on MEDICAID
- Infants of COLOR
- The result of UNINTENDED pregnancies

**WHERE ARE WE NOW?**

**2 women DIE IN CHILDBIRTH EVERY DAY** in the US. **700+ women PER YEAR.**

**ON THE RIGHT ROAD**

**ESTABLISHING PERINATAL REGIONS**: developing a system to direct deliveries to the most appropriate level of care

**STATE MOTHER INFANT HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

**HOME VISITING** provides support and coaching

**WHERE DO WE NEED TO GO?**

- **PROMOTE** safe sleep practices and breast feeding
- **CHAMPION** strategies to improve pre-conception health
- **SUPPORT** best practices to reduce pre-term births
- **INCREASE** parental capacity through home visiting
We want to prevent babies and mothers from dying while having equal health opportunities for all.

The Issue
Mothers and babies are dying

Mothers and babies of color often face higher risk of dying in comparison to mothers and babies of non-color

Why are mothers and babies dying?

Unplanned Pregnancy
UnsafeSleepingPractice
PregnancyComplications
Racial/EthnicInequities and Unjust Treatment
LowBirthweight
No Access to Pre-Pregnancy Health Resources

What do we need to do?

Health Equity
Reduce Smoking & Substance Use
Home Visiting
Breastfeeding
Maternal Safety Bundles to Reduce Pregnancy Complications

Access to Pre-Pregnancy & Early Pregnancy Care
Improve Mental Health Access
Safe Sleeping Practice
Child Health Visits
Space Out Births

How do we reach our goal?

Spread Awareness
Everyone Working Toward the Same Goals
Address Health Inequities

Together, Saving Lives
Families | Communities | Health Plans | Providers | Advisory Groups | Collaborative Teams | Alliances | Strategy Groups

MATERNAL INFANT STRATEGY GROUP