



# Maternal Health Summit

June 3-4, 2020  
ISU Bone Student Center

Hosted by the Illinois Department of Public Health

## ATTENDEE INFORMATION

### Event Chair

**Shannon Lightner, Deputy Director**  
Office of Women's Health and Family Services  
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### Conference / Facility Logistics

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### INVITATION:

On behalf of the Illinois Department of Public Health's Office of Women's Health and Family Service (OWHFS) and the Illinois Public Health association, we would like to extend an invitation to you to consider registering to attend Illinois' first Maternal Health Summit. The purpose of the Summit is to identify opportunities to improve maternal health, reduce disparities, leverage the expertise of peers, and assist OWHFS in developing a statewide action plan.

Reaching Illinois women and families is at the core of every activity conducted by the OWHFS. The office was established in 1997 and is now one of the largest state offices of its kind in the country. The OWHFS serves the women and families in Illinois in several capacities, some of our activities specific to preventing maternal mortality and morbidity include:

- **Regionalized Perinatal Health Care Program:** Illinois has a robust perinatal regionalization system that includes 10 Administrative Perinatal Centers (a university, university affiliated hospital or a combination of universities/hospitals, having a Level III Perinatal designation) that supervises 122 obstetric hospitals in Illinois. Through this program, Illinois has helped to provide quality care to perinatal patients in Illinois since the perinatal regionalization system inception in 1976.
- **Family Planning:** The Family Planning Program provides comprehensive information and services (along with related preventative health services) to men and women in order to lower the incidence of unintended pregnancy, improve maternal and infant health, and reduce the incidence of abortion.
- **Illinois Perinatal Quality Collaborative (ILPQC):** ILPQC works to improve the health of pregnant women, mothers and infants through perinatal quality improvement initiatives implemented by birthing hospitals throughout the state.
- **Chicago Department of Public Health (CHPH) Mini-Grant Program:** This grant program allows IDPH to reach health care providers, community-based organizations, and families in Chicago to ensure access and coordination to high quality health care and social services to optimize birth outcomes. Activities include, but are not limited to, improving nurse and support services to strengthen the safety net for all mothers and infants while building a system of coordinated referral to needed services in Chicago.
- **WISEWOMAN Program:** This research program, currently being piloted in designated areas of the state, is designed to help women in the Illinois Breast and Cervical Cancer program to reduce their risk of heart disease and to promote a heart-healthy lifestyle.
- **Maternal Morbidity and Mortality Report:** This report identifies statewide trends in maternal deaths and provides recommendations to help prevent maternal mortality.

### PROGRAM OBJECTIVE:

To address the gaps in knowledge regarding maternal health, learn and discuss recommendations generated by Illinois' two Maternal Mortality Review Committees (MMRCs) and develop specific strategies and action steps to implement programs and policies that can facilitate better outcomes for women and families across the state of Illinois.

## TARGET AUDIENCE:

This conference will address a variety of health issues unique to maternal health. Target audience is listed below, but is not limited to:

- Public health personnel and staff
- Community members and organizations
- Public and private sector health professionals
- Nurses
- Health educators
- Licensed social workers / Licensed clinical social workers
- Professional counselors / Licensed clinical counselors
- CHES
- Insurance providers
- Policy makers
- Survivors of severe pregnancy complication(s)

## CONTINUING EDUCATION:

- **Physicians / Registered Nurses / Social Workers / Counselors / Dietitians:** This activity has been approved for *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™*. CE credit will also be available to nurses, social workers, professional/clinical counselors, clinical psychologists and dietitians/nutrition counselors. Detailed credit information will be included in the conference brochure.
- **Universal:** Southern Illinois University School of Medicine (SIUSOM) will also provide a general Certificate of Attendance for other professionals. (One universal training hour (UTH) is equal to one 60-minute clock hour.)

## ATTENDEE REGISTRATION FEES:

**Early Registration - \$25.00**

(February 28 – April 15)

**Regular Registration - \$40.00**

(April 16 – May 21)

**On-Site Registration - \$50.00**

(All registration beginning on May 22)

## REGISTRATION / PAYMENT:

Attendees can register online and submit payment via a credit card or by filling out a paper registration form and mailing it in with a check or hard copy purchase order. After registration has been submitted, you will receive a confirmation email with further conference information. Questions about registration can be directed to Megan at [memccan@ilstu.edu](mailto:memccan@ilstu.edu). Checks can be made payable to Illinois State University and mailed to:

### Illinois State University Conference Services

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Check the [Summit website](#) for the most up-to-date information.