

**LAUNCH** of the KENTUCKY  
PERINATAL QUALITY  
COLLABORATIVE  
(KyPQC)

Churchill Downs Triple Crown Room  
Louisville, Kentucky  
October 22, 2019  
8:00 am–4:00 pm



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Attendees of the 2019 LAUNCH of the Kentucky Perinatal Quality Collaborative:

Welcome to this exciting event at historic Churchill Downs. Today will serve as a beginning toward improved outcomes for mothers and babies in Kentucky.

A perinatal quality collaborative (PQC) is a state or multi-state network of teams working to improve the quality of care during pregnancy, delivery, and into the first year of life. This launch aims to bring together healthcare professionals and other stakeholders dedicated to decreasing the maternal mortality rate, decreasing rates of neonatal abstinence syndrome (NAS), and improving maternal and infant health outcomes in the Commonwealth. As such, this launch is a significant gathering of obstetrician-gynecologists, neonatologists, pediatricians, certified nurse midwives, nurses, and other healthcare professionals and stakeholders representing both nonprofit and for-profit organizations and healthcare systems based in Kentucky.

Working with our providers, delivery hospitals, insurers, advocacy groups and national organizations, i.e., Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Association for State and Territorial Health Officers (ASTHO), and the March of Dimes (MoD), Kentucky can achieve greatly improved outcomes for the mothers and babies of Kentucky.

The Kentucky Department for Public Health in the Cabinet for Health and Family Services is proud to lead this LAUNCH today and look forward to your participation in the Kentucky Perinatal Quality Collaborative (KyPQC).

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- 8:00–9:00 Registration and Breakfast  
Display of Kentucky Delivering Hospitals' Quality Improvement Projects in the Grand Foyer
- 9:00-9:15 “Welcome”  
Secretary Adam Meier – Cabinet for Health and Family Services  
Angela T. Dearing, MD, MPH – Commissioner, Department for Public Health  
Recognition of Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)  
Mary Kate Weber, MPH, Charlan Kroelinger, PhD, MA,  
Nicole Fehrenbach, MPP, and Emmy Tran, PharmD  
Recognition of CDC Foundation  
Marion Rice, MPH  
Recognition of Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO)  
Ellen Pliska, MHS, CPH, Gabriela Garcia, Katrin Patterson, MPH,  
and Ramya Dronamraju, MPH
- 9:15–10:00 “Overview of Maternal Mortality in Kentucky and the Role of the Kentucky Maternal Mortality Review Committee”  
John R. Barton, MD – Chair, Kentucky Maternal Mortality Review Committee and Maternal-Fetal Medicine Specialist
- 10:00–10:15 Q&A
- 10:15–10:50 Founder 4Kira4Moms, Advocate for Maternal Health and Wellness  
Charles Johnson IV
- 10:50–11:00 Q&A
- 11:00-11:15 Break

- 11:15–11:55 **Keynote Address:** “Successfully Implementing Change: PQC + AIM”  
Lisa M. Hollier, MD – Immediate Past President of ACOG, Co-Chair of the Texas Maternal Mortality Review Committee, and Maternal-Fetal Medicine Specialist
- 11:55–12:10 Q&A
- 12:10–1:00 LUNCH and Viewing of Kentucky Delivering Hospitals’ Quality Improvement Projects
- 1:00–1:30 Kentucky PQC Stakeholder Workgroup’s Vision for Kentucky Perinatal Quality Collaborative  
Recognition of March of Dimes  
Lisa Waddell, MD, MPH  
Katrina Thompson, MSW – State Director of Program Services for March of Dimes Kentucky
- 1:30–3:00 Breakout Groups  
(Obstetrical Workgroup, Neonatal Workgroup, Data and Analysis Workgroup)  
Facilitator  
Karen Russell, MS – Eastern Kentucky University, Facilitation Center at ECU
- 3:00–4:00 Reconvene for Report Out and Next Steps  
Closing Remarks
- 4:00 Private tour of Churchill Downs Museum

# QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FROM DELIVERY HOSPITAL

## **Baptist Health LaGrange**

Maternal Sepsis Initiative

## **Baptist Health Louisville**

Implementing a Severe Maternal Hypertension Protocol

## **Norton HealthCare**

Safe Reduction of Primary Cesarean Rates

Reduction of C-Section Surgical Site Infections (SSI)

## **University of Louisville Hospital**

Quality Improvement Initiative to Reduce Severe Retinopathy of Prematurity (ROP) in Very Low Birthweight Infants (VLBW)

Quality Improvement “Golden Hour” Initiative for Infants <28 Week Gestation Results in Improved Admission Temperatures

The Extremely Low Birth Weight Infant Follow-up Study Group: Supporting Follow-Through and Outcomes Assessment Birth Year Cohorts 2014-2016

A Pilot Study: Partnering with New Mothers to Develop a Smart Phone App to Prevent Maternal Mortality after Hospital Discharge

## **University of Kentucky HealthCare**

Rurality as a Risk Factor for Severe Maternal Morbidity

Severe Maternal Morbidity at Sites with and without MFM Outreach in Non-metropolitan Hospitals

Infective Endocarditis in Pregnancy During the Opioid Epidemic



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