

**Region IV & Region VI Infant Mortality Summit
New Orleans, Louisiana
January 12–13, 2012**

Agenda

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2012

8:00 AM – 8:30 AM

Continental Breakfast

8:30 AM – 9:45 AM

Opening Plenary

Grand Salon

Moderator:

Cassie Lauver, ACSW

Director

Division of State and Community Health

Maternal and Child Health Bureau

Health Resources and Services Administration

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Speakers:

Mary K. Wakefield, Ph.D., RN

Administrator

Health Resources and Services Administration

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

David Lakey, M.D.

Commissioner

Texas Department of State Health Services

President

Association of State and Territorial Health Officials

Michael C. Lu, M.D., M.P.H.

Chairman

Secretary's Advisory Committee on Infant Mortality

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

9:45 AM – 10:45 AM

Federal/National Initiatives on Infant Mortality

Grand Salon

Moderator:

Kathy C. Vincent, LCSW

Public Health Consultant

Association of State and Territorial Health Officials

Speakers:

Scott D. Berns, M.D., M.P.H., FAAP

Senior Vice President, Chapter Programs

March of Dimes Foundation

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Wanda D. Barfield, M.D., M.P.H.

Captain, U.S. Public Health Service
Director, Division of Reproductive Health
National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention
and Health Promotion
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Marsha Lillie-Blanton, Dr.P.H.

Chief Quality Officer and Director
Division of Quality, Evaluation, and Health Outcomes
Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

10:45 AM – 11:00 AM

Break

11:00 AM – 12:15 PM

Breakouts

East Salon

**Community-Based Prematurity Prevention –
The Kentucky Experience**

This session will describe the “Healthy Babies are Worth the Wait” demonstration project that began in Kentucky as a partnership of March of Dimes, Johnson & Johnson, and the Kentucky Department for Public Health. The model is a real-world, ecological design of bundled interventions aimed at reducing “preventable” preterm births in the target communities. The intent was to provide best practices and current knowledge of prematurity prevention in a framework that communities could adapt to their local situation and resources. Lessons learned and approaches that worked will be discussed. Attendees will be engaged in a discussion of their experiences with similar efforts.

Moderator:

Kathleen Watters, M.A.

Public Health Analyst
Maternal and Child Health Bureau
Health Resources and Services Administration
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Speakers:

Ruth Ann Shepherd, M.D., FAAP, CPHQ

Director
Division of Maternal and Child Health
Kentucky Department for Public Health

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William Hacker, M.D., FAAP, CPE

Former Commissioner
Kentucky Department for Public Health
ASTHO Healthy Babies Challenge Steering Committee

Joy Marini, M.S., PA-C

Director
Corporate Contributions
Johnson & Johnson Pediatric Institute

Katrina Thompson, M.S.W.

State Director of Program Services
March of Dimes Foundation, Greater Kentucky Chapter

Center Salon

Working Together to Improve Birth Outcomes in North Carolina

This presentation will provide an overview of North Carolina's efforts to improve birth outcomes. It will include statewide activities, community-focused efforts, along with specific partnership activities. Health equity, preconception and interconception care; along with pregnancy medical home efforts will be incorporated in the presentation.

Moderator:

David de la Cruz, Ph.D., M.P.H.

Captain
U.S. Public Health Service
Deputy Director
Division of Healthy Start and Perinatal Services
Maternal and Child Health Bureau
Health Resources and Services Administration
Principal Staff
The Secretary's Advisory Committee on Infant Mortality
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Speaker:

Belinda Pettiford, M.P.H.

Interim Branch Head,
Women's Health
North Carolina Division of Public Health

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West Salon

Babies Born Healthy Initiative

This session will describe Maryland's efforts to improve birth outcomes in its jurisdictions with high infant mortality rates and high racial disparities in infant mortality include five key strategies: (1) real-time access to, tracking, and reporting data from a variety of sources (2) building on strengths of local jurisdiction infant mortality reduction partnerships, (3) taking a comprehensive systems approach (4) developing and strengthening community based culturally-competent outreach, education and care coordination efforts to more effectively target hard-to-reach families, (5) implement proven preconception, prenatal, and postnatal interventions in targeted jurisdictions.

Moderator:

Lauren Raskin Ramos, M.P.H.

Director of Programs

Association of Maternal & Child Health Programs

Speaker:

Donald Shell, M.D., M.A.

Interim Director

Center for Health Promotion, Education
and Tobacco Use Cessation

Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

12:15 PM – 1:15 PM

Working Lunch

1:15 PM – 3:00 PM

State Work Groups

3:00 PM – 3:15 PM

Break

3:15 PM – 5:00 PM

State Work Groups (Continued)

5:00 PM

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 2012

8:00 AM – 8:30 AM

Continental Breakfast

8:30 AM – 10:30 AM

State Work Groups (Continued)

10:30 AM – 11:00 AM

Break

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Closing Plenary

Grand Salon

Moderator:

Cassie Lauver, ACSW

Director

Division of State and Community Health

Maternal and Child Health Bureau

Health Resources and Services Administration

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Speakers:

Michael R. Fraser, Ph.D., CAE

Chief Executive Officer

Association of Maternal & Child Health Programs

Paul Jarris, M.D., M.B.A.

Executive Director

Association of State and Territorial Health Officials

12:00 PM

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