

# Region IV & Region VI



## INFANT MORTALITY SUMMIT

JANUARY 12-13, 2012 NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA



## Goals & Objectives

**Goal:** To improve birth outcomes and reduce infant mortality and prematurity in the United States.

**Objective 1:** Increase understanding of strategies to improve birth outcomes and infant mortality among Federal, State, and non-profit partners.

**Objective 2:** Create synergy among State Health Officials, Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Directors, and State partners to improve birth outcomes and reduce infant mortality through health and community systems development.

**Objective 3:** Identify clear strategies, outcomes and their impact on reducing infant mortality in the State with special consideration of high risk individuals, families, and communities.

**Objective 4:** Investigate the potential of one common strategy for States in the regions to reduce infant mortality and preterm birth.

**Objective 5:** Create a unified message that builds on the best practices from around the nation and the efforts from States in Regions IV and VI, which can be adopted by other States and Jurisdictions.