National Equity Framework:
A guide to advancing equitable maternal and infant health outcomes

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"Together We Can Achieve What We Cannot Achieve Alone"
Welcome, Session Goals

M-BAN National Equity Framework Overview

Explore the 5 Root-Cause Strategies

Table Discussions - Strategies in Action

Table Discussions - Emerging Solutions

Call to Action & Adjourn
Session Goals

- Prioritize alignment of MIH initiatives focused on equity
- Understand how the 5 root-cause strategies of the National Equity Framework impact MIH equity
- Share best practices and innovative solutions implemented in your communities to advance MIH equity
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We aim to achieve birth equity by centering the voices and experiences of local communities and mobilizing partners, companies, organizations, subject matter experts, policy-makers, advocates and leaders nationally around a common agenda and shared metrics of success.
PARTNERING WITH ORGANIZATIONS FOR CHANGE

- Health Care Delivery: 116
- Community Based Org.: 92
- Government:
  - Local/State: 64
  - Federal: 12
- Academia/Research: 49
- Associations/Networks: 18
- Philanthropy: 21
- Health Care Payers: 11
- Professional Membership organization: 15
- Other - Law, NGO, Advocacy, Corporation: 90
BUILDING ON A STRONG FOUNDATION

- Evolved from the National Prematurity Collaborative by expanding the lens to maternal & infant health
- Engages cross-sector partners to address root causes of MIH inequities
- Orchestrates high alignment to move from data to action.
- Leads broad changes in policy, research, funding and systems.
National Equity Framework

RESULTS STATEMENT
All people are healthy before during and after pregnancy and if they give birth, they have healthy outcomes.

SHARED METRICS
- Population indicators
- Performance measures

STRATEGIES
- Dismantle racism and address unequal treatment
- Increase access to high quality health care
- Promote environmental justice
- Advance economic opportunity
- Build safe and connected communities

SOLUTIONS
- Policy and systems
- Data and research
- Programs and services
- Communications and training
- Funding
NATIONAL EQUITY FRAMEWORK GUIDE

Core Strategies
- Dismantle Racism & Address Unequal Treatment
- Increase Access to High Quality Healthcare
- Promote Environmental Justice
- Advance Economic Opportunity
- Build Safe & Connected Communities

Guide Layout
- Strategy Overview
- Literature Highlights
- Strategy in Action
- Resources & Tools

Resources & Tools
- Complete Guide
- Companion Learning Deck
- Strategy 1-Pagers
- Webinar Recordings

IGNITING IMPACT together
LOCAL PERSPECTIVE. NATIONAL IMPACT. EQUITABLE OUTCOMES.
High Level Overview

Dismantle Racism & Address Unequal Treatment

Strategy Focus:

• Identify structural & institutional policies and practices that exacerbate poor health outcomes for birthing people and their families.

• Advance solutions that close the gap of racial disparities in maternal and infant health that currently exist.

• End unequal treatment perpetuated against people based on other types of biases.
Featured Strategy in Action: Nurture NJ
High Level Overview

Increase Access to High Quality Healthcare

Strategy Focus:
• Address the quality, value, and access gaps that currently exist in the US healthcare system

• Advance solutions that increase access to healthcare in rural and select urban areas

• Increase racial diversity of maternity care provider workforce
Featured Strategy in Action:
Ancient Song Doula Services
Promote Environmental Justice

Strategy Focus:
• Address inequitable exposures to environmental health and climate change threats experienced by frontline communities.

• Advance solutions that dismantle systemic racism and its impacts on environmental health.

• Ensure the inclusion of pregnant and birthing people and their families when advancing environmental health policy and funding solutions.
Did you know that the same outcomes of the climate crisis also shape the health of parents and babies?
Advance Economic Opportunity

High Level Overview

Strategy Focus:

• Advance policies that address immediate economic security and lifelong generational wealth building opportunities

• Connect the dots between economic opportunity and improved health outcomes for pregnant and birthing people and their families

• Dismantle systems and policies that are barriers to economic opportunity (housing access, basic needs taxes, education, and others)
BREAKING NEWS

CONNECTICUT MAKES HISTORY! Becomes First In the Nation to Pass

CT BABY BONDS

CT Baby Bonds is an anti-Generational Poverty, Racial Equity, Economic Growth Initiative

Featured Strategy in Action: CT Baby Bonds
Build Safe & Connected Communities

Strategy Focus:
• Invest in community and strengthen social connections that address social drivers of health

• Advance solutions that increase access to and investment in public services, such as community health centers, community gardens, transportation, safe housing, quality childcare, education and workforce development
Featured Strategy in Action: GOODR

*Feed more.*

*Waste less.*
Amplifying Best Practices & Sharing Innovative Solutions
Table Discussion

Best Practices in your community
Table Discussion
Innovative Solutions in your community
Igniting Impact Together: Nurturing Collaborative Solutions

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