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A LETTER FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Greetings Beloved Community & all BMHC24 Attendees,

It is with great pride and joy that I welcome you to the 2024 Black Maternal Health Conference and Training Institute™ (BMHC24) in our birth home of Atlanta, Georgia! On behalf of the Black Mamas Matter Alliance, I extend our deepest gratitude to each of you for joining us in this critical gathering—a global space where Black Maternal Health, equity, and justice take center stage.

BMHC24 is a unique opportunity for clinicians, advocates, professionals, and practitioners from all over the world to come together to learn, share, and collaborate. At this conference, we celebrate the work that amplifies birth and reproductive justice, respectful maternity care, and the scholarship of Black feminists and womanists. As we navigate the complexities of maternal and reproductive health, we honor the incredible contributions of Black people leading the charge in transforming care, research, and policy.

This year's theme, **“Our Bodies STILL Belong to Us: Reproductive Justice NOW!”**, reflects the urgency of addressing the systemic inequities and harmful policies that disproportionately affect Black women and birthing people. The ongoing restrictions on abortion care access and the criminalization of pregnancy loss only deepen the maternal health care crisis, particularly in states with the most restrictive bans and the poorest maternal and child health outcomes. BMHC24 is a space to discuss these realities and share solutions to bring about equitable and just change, and to appreciate the 30th anniversary of the Reproductive Justice movement.

Throughout the conference, you'll have access to sessions on family planning, birth equity, reproductive health, maternal health systems initiatives, and so much more. Our discussions will not only explore innovations but also provide the opportunity to connect and build lasting networks with others who share a commitment to improving Black maternal health outcomes.

This year, we are also proud to celebrate the outstanding contributions of leaders in this movement with the BMHC Awards. Congratulations to **Dr. Nikia Grayson**, recipient of the UmmSalaamah “Sondra” Abdullah-Zaimah Birth Worker Award, and **Dr. Zsakeba Henderson**, recipient of the Jackson, Rowley, Hogan Excellence in Black Maternal Health Scholarship Award. Your work inspires us all, and we are honored to recognize your achievements.

I want to express my heartfelt appreciation to all of you for supporting this vital work, especially to our Board of Directors, Alliance Partners, staff, supporters, funders, sponsors, and donors who continue to bolster and sustain Black maternal and reproductive health care work in our communities. Your dedication fuels this movement and propels us forward.

Thank you for being a part of BMHC24. Your presence and contributions are what make this gathering so impactful. Let's seize this opportunity to learn, grow, and continue the fight for reproductive justice, dignity, and equity for ourselves and communities.

With Sincere Gratitude,

Angela D. Aina

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TRAINING INSTITUTE DAY




TIME EASTERN TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
8:00AM - 9:00AM	Check-in, Breakfast & Networking	Garden Court
9:00AM - 9:30AM	BMHC24 Welcome Address	Habersham Ballroom
9:45M - 11:30AM	Training Breakout Sessions	Garden Court Level
12:00PM - 12:55PM	Lunch - <i>Visit our Exhibitor Hall</i>	Habersham Ballroom
1:00PM - 4:30PM	Training Breakout Sessions <i>cont.</i>	Garden Court Level
5:00PM - 7:15PM	RH Impact Reception	Habersham Ballroom

DAY 1

TIME EASTERN TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
8:00AM - 8:50AM	Check-in, Breakfast & Networking	Garden Court
8:50AM - 9:50AM	Welcome and Opening Plenary ((●))	Grand Ballroom
10:00AM - 11:30AM	BLOCK A Sessions	Garden Court Level
11:30AM - 12:30PM	Lunch - <i>Visit our Exhibitor Hall</i>	Grand Ballroom & Garden Court
12:30PM - 1:30PM	Plenary Panel Discussion ((●))	Grand Ballroom
1:30PM - 1:50PM	Break: Poster Presentations & Exhibitor Hall	Garden Court
2:00PM - 3:20PM	BLOCK B Sessions	Garden Court Level
3:30PM - 5:00PM	BLOCK C Sessions	Garden Court Level
5:00PM - 5:15PM	Closing Remarks ((●))	Grand Ballroom
5:15PM - 6:00PM	Exhibitors, Merchants, and Poster Presentations	Garden Court
6:15PM - 9:30PM	Black Mamas Movie Night Birthing Justice Documentary	Habersham Ballroom

SCHEDULE

DAY 2

TIME EASTERN TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
8:00AM - 9:00AM	Check-in, Breakfast & Networking	Garden Court
9:00AM - 9:50AM	Welcome and Speaker Remarks 	Grand Ballroom
10:00AM - 11:30AM	BLOCK D Sessions	Garden Court Level
11:30AM - 12:30PM	Lunch - <i>Visit our Exhibitor Hall</i>	Grand Ballroom & Garden Court
12:30PM - 1:30PM	Special Guests Plenary Panel 	Grand Ballroom
1:30PM - 1:50PM	Break: Poster Presentations & Exhibitor Hall	Garden Court
2:00PM - 3:20PM	BLOCK E Sessions	Garden Court Level
3:30PM - 5:00PM	BLOCK F Sessions	Garden Court Level
5:00PM - 5:15PM	Closing Remarks 	Grand Ballroom
7:30PM - 11:00PM	BMHC24 Awards Dinner	Grand Ballroom

VIRTUAL SCHEDULE

DAY 1

TIME EASTERN TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
8:50AM - 9:50AM	Welcome and Opening Plenary ((●))	Virtual Platform
10:00AM - 11:30AM	BLOCK A Session #21 ((●))	Virtual Platform
11:30AM - 12:30PM	Break for Lunch	
12:30PM - 1:30PM	Plenary Panel Discussion ((●))	Virtual Platform
1:30PM - 1:50PM	Break	
2:00PM - 3:20PM	BLOCK B Session #30 ((●))	Virtual Platform
3:30PM - 5:00PM	BLOCK C Sessions #3 ((●))	Virtual Platform
5:00PM - 5:15PM	Closing Day 1 Remarks ((●))	Virtual Platform

DAY 2

TIME EASTERN TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
8:50AM - 9:50AM	Welcome and Speaker Remarks ((●))	Virtual Platform
10:00AM - 11:30AM	BLOCK D Session #8 ((●))	Virtual Platform
11:30AM - 12:30PM	Break for Lunch	
12:30PM - 1:30PM	Special Guests Plenary Panel ((●))	Virtual Platform
1:30PM - 1:50PM	Break	
2:00PM - 3:30PM	BLOCK E Session #11 ((●))	Virtual Platform
3:30PM - 5:00PM	BLOCK F Session #20 ((●))	Virtual Platform
5:00PM - 5:30PM	Closing Day 1 Remarks ((●))	Virtual Platform
7:30PM - 10:30PM	BMHC24 Awards Dinner ((●))	Virtual Platform

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In-person Attendees will be able to attend all events held on-site and will have access to all virtual content on the BMHC24 app.

Virtual Attendees will be able to attend all sessions held in the Grand Ball room and Habersham Ballroom via livestream. Livestreamed sessions are noted with the following icon: ((●))

BREAKOUT SESSION AND POSTER DESIGNATIONS

*NOTE: CE, CEU, CERP credits are only available for in-person sessions

Tracks

P/A	Policy/Advocacy
HC/CI	Holistic Care/Clinical Innovation
R/E	Research/Evaluation
CS	Culture Shift/Creative

CEs, CEU, CERP Type

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	IBCLC
	LMFT


BREAKOUT SESSIONS DAY 1

BLOCK A 10:00AM - 11:30AM


Breastfeeding Equity for Black Women: A Georgia Case Study of Baby-Friendly Hospitals (R/E)
Kim Gadsden-Knowles

#6 **Transforming hospital practices for Black birthing people and families: Reimagining the proposed United States Birthing-Friendly hospital designation (P/A)**
 Dr. Meredith Shockley-Smith, Dr. Lindsey Yates

Chancellor

 **Centering Black Women in Systems Change: Co-creating Mama Certified - a Maternal Equity Certification for Birthing Hospitals (HC/CI)**
Josselyn Okorodudu, Lauren Everett

Minding the Gap: Utilizing Nutrition and Lifestyle Interventions to Reduce Maternal Mortality (HC/CI)
Alicia Celeste Simpson

#21 **Nourishing Equity: Bridging Gaps in Maternal Health for Black Women through Nutrition Intervention, Technology, and Culturally Congruent Care (HC/CI)**
 Chacha Miller, Emily Sylvester

Habersham



Balancetopia – preventing depression via gutbrain health. (HC/CI)
Najjuwah Walden

BREAKOUT SESSIONS DAY 1

BLOCK A 10:00AM - 11:30AM

#10		The Community Heals Itself: How HealthConnect One Facilitates Community Healing (HC/CI) Ashauna Mathews	Ansley
		Reimagining Postpartum Care for Black Birthing People (HC/CI) Ebony Marcelle, Bayyinah Muhammad, Vanyta Robinson, Sola Stamm	
		"We never get a break": A Qualitative Study on Black women's postpartum experiences (R/E) Noelene Jeffers, Ebony Marcelle, Lauren Arrington	
#5		Nuts and Bolts of Advocacy (P/A) Nichole Wardlaw	Lenox
		Mobile Midwife Clinic: A Birth Justice Model of Care (HC/CI) Jamarah Amani	
		Black Midwives for Black Mothers: Ameliorating Racial Disparities in the Quality of Maternal Healthcare (R/E) Dr. Kimberly Navarro	
#36		Empowering Birth Workers to Navigate the Modern Reproductive Health Legal Landscape: Strategies for Patient Support (P/A) Yamicia Connor	Hallmark
		Doula READI: Transformative Strategies for Equitable Maternal Care (HC/CI) Rebecca Lesperance	
		Beyond Filling Gaps: Training interdisciplinary abortion care providers for Black communities (HC/CI) Latona Giwa, DeShawn Taylor, Lina Buffington	
#2		Grow Birth Centers: Reclaiming Midwifery-led Care in Black Communities (HC/CI) Yveneed K. Francois, Kimberly Durdin, Gianna Fay	Galleria
		"It's a Vibe" - Supporting the Emotional and Mental Health Needs of the Birthworker (HC/CI) Dr. Heather Marie Rice, Krista Lumpkins-Howard, Tammie Sheila Jones	
		Calling in Spirit: Exploring & Reclaiming the Foundations of African American Traditional & Spiritual Midwifery (HC/CI) Okunsola Amadou	
#1		Gaps in Community Clinical Care Integration for Birthing People Across the US (HC/CI) Phoebe Wescott, Inas Madhi, Nia Mitchell, Aja Clark	Brayton
		Piloting an Innovative Philanthropic Approach to Distribute Rapid Response Funds B/RJ Orgs (HC/CI) Rachel Young, Inas Madhi, Jeanette Kowalik	
		Expanding the table: MMRCs and PQC's Partnering with CBOs to Promote Equity (R/E) Tonni Oberly, Nia Mitchell	

BREAKOUT SESSIONS DAY 1

BLOCK A 10:00AM - 11:30AM

#42

Who Does My Body Belong To? An Exploration of the Relationship Between Mood & Anxiety Disorders (HC/CI)

Whitney Coble, Tiffany Bishop

Ascot

Cultivating Resilience: A Framework for Culturally Competent Maternal Mental Support (HC/CI)

Chandra Lewis- Hassell, Tracey Russell

BLOCK B 2:00PM - 3:20PM

A Culturally Tailored Framework for Improving Patient Activation with Digital Solutions: Supporting Black Pregnant Women with Hypertensive Disorders (R/E)

Morgan Foreman

Using a mobile application to address maternal mental health among Black mothers and birthing people (R/E)

Carson Peters

#45

The Color of Joy: Rejuvenation, Reconnection, and Reimagination thru the Arts (CS)

Kimberly Harper

Chancellor

Birth By Us: Improving Perinatal Outcomes and Experiences for Black Women through Technology (HC/CI)

Ijeoma Uche

The Albany Birth Justice Storytelling Project (CS)

Chloe Blaise

Social Innovation to Return Home (CS)

U-Leea Santos

Capturing a Revolution: Leveraging Photography and Social Media to Redefine Black Women's Breastfeeding Norms to Cultivate Positive Change (CS)

Stephanie Amekuedi

#30

Mental Health & Infertility for Black Birthing Parents (HC/CI)

Keisha Reaves

Habersham

Deconstructing Egg Freezing as an Insurance Policy: Black Women's Social Egg Freezing Experiences (P/A)

Isabel Morgan, Kelly Davis, Keisha Goode



#32

Transforming Care and Disrupting Inequitable Systems Through Centering Groups (P/A)

Disha Patel, Shante Walker, LaTina Green, Chiquita Brake

Lenox

Centering Community, Culture, and Personal Authenticity in the Perinatal Mental Health Space (CS)

Lakisa Quinette Muhammad

BREAKOUT SESSIONS DAY 1

BLOCK B 2:00PM - 3:20PM

#38	Understanding Co-Sleeping & Bedsharing Among Black Mothers through a CBPR Methodological Approach (R/E) Francoise Knox-Kazimierczuk	Hallmark
	Utility of Self-Advocacy within the Maternal Health Space (R/E) Betty J. Braxter	
	"But Sis, What if You Die?": Leveraging Relational Agency to Navigate Birth-Related Risk (R/E) Eliza Washington	
#7	Elevating the Power of Community in Maternal Mental Health Support (CS) Toshira Maldonado	Galleria
	Community don't come easy: teaching clients to build radical communities (HC/CI) Khye (Tyson) Blue	
	Redefining Family: Accurately capturing Black stories (CS) Khye (Tyson) Blue	
#4	Healthy Beginnings with Title V: Shifting Dynamics in Relationship Building with Black MCH Thought Leaders in Community-Rooted Organizations and State Agencies (CS) Salomé Araya, Demia Tyler, Stephanie Spencer, Consuelo Staton	Brayton
	Tracking Implementation of the New York State Medicaid Doula Services Benefit: Lessons Learned from Community-Based Doulas (P/A) Vina Smith-Ramakrishnan	
	The Danger of Medicaid Reimbursement and the Regulation of the Perinatal Support Workforce (P/A) Bryttani Debro, Dasha Tate	
#48	Effectiveness of Online vs. Face to Face Doula Training in a Community Based Doula Program (R/E) Dr. Kendall Albert	Ascot
	Building a Black Doula Collective in CT (R/E) Marian Evans, Brittany Needham, Shannon Knox	

BLOCK C 3:30PM - 5:00PM

#28	Using Story Telling as a Tool for Organizing (CS) India Blunt	Chancellor
	Using Collective Action to Move a County Towards Disrupting Longstanding Infant Mortality Disparities (CS) Breanna Grant; Jada Rogers	
	Mamas 4 Life: Empowering Black Maternal Health Through Cultural Advocacy and Holistic Care (CS) Jovonni Spinner	

BREAKOUT SESSIONS DAY 1

BLOCK C 3:30PM - 5:00PM

#3

Reproductive Injustice in the Name of God and White Privilege: A Case Study of the Alabama Supreme Court Ruling (P/A)

Rose Archer, Iris Reddick

Habersham



Our Stories, Our Spiritualities Still Belong to Us: Spiritual Practices for All (CS)

Angela Tyler-Williams

#23

The Journey to Lactation Liberation: An Innovative Response to a Community Need (HC/CI)

Jennifer Roberson

Ansley

#31

Did you know your relationship can affect your health?: The doula's role in preventing and responding to domestic violence (HC/CI)

Virginia Duplessis

Lenox

How Biased Systems Impact The Safety and Mental Health of Black Survivors of Violence and Their Children. (CS)

Justice Gatson

#41

Power, Perceptions, and Presence of Black Mamas in Maternal Health (P/A)

Jacqueline Douge, Dr. Sherita Henry

Hallmark

#12

Converge's Get Personal© and Reproductive Health Kits: Applying Reproductive Justice to Close the Gap for Black Birthing People's Contraceptive Needs (HC/CI)

Jitoria Hunter, Ellie Smith

Galleria

Landscape Analysis of Birth Justice: defining, mapping and strategizing (R/E)

Pia Long

#19

Reimagining Reproductive Justice for Black Girls and their Bodies (P/A)

Ashley Garrin, Clementé Love

State Strategies to Improve Access to Maternal & Reproductive Health Care via Telehealth (P/A)

Natalie Birnbaum (P), Kenda Sutton-EL, Erin Maye Quade, Roula AbiSamra

Ascot

Gendered Racism and Black Maternal Mental Health: Understanding the Role of Superwoman Schema (R/E)

Tamara Nelson

DAY 1: SPEAKERS

PLENARY PANEL

Advancing Black Maternal Health and Justice within the Fight for Reproductive Autonomy



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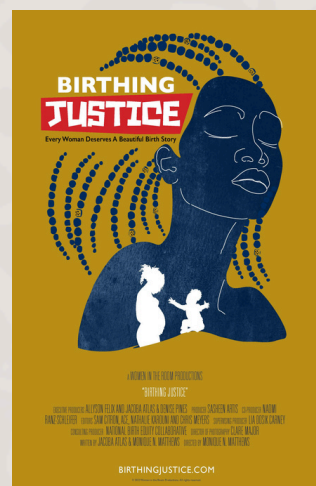
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Dem Black Mamas Podcast



BMHC24 AWARDS

*Mama Umm Salaamah “Sondra”
Abdullah-Zaimah*
**BIRTH WORKER AWARD
2024 RECIPIENT**



Dr. Nikia Grayson,
DNP, MSN, MPH, MA,
CNM, FNP-C, FACNM

The BMHC 'Birthworker Award' is named in honor of Mama Umm Salaamah Abdullah-Zaimah, a trailblazing certified nurse midwife for nearly 35 years who has served communities worldwide. The award symbolizes excellence and innovation in Black models of care, advocacy, and a commitment to Birth Justice and Birth Equity.

Jackson, Rowley, Hogan
**EXCELLENCE IN BLACK MATERNAL
HEALTH AWARD 2024 RECIPIENT**

The “Jackson, Rowley, Hogan Excellence in Black Maternal Health Scholarship Award” is named in honor of Dr. Fleda Mask Jackson, Dr. Diane Rowley, and Dr. Vijaya Hogan – three phenomenal Black women and beloved community elders whose scholarly work, research, and health systems programs helped lay the foundation for the maternal and infant health equity sector in the United States.



Dr. Zsakeba Henderson,
MD, FACOG

BREAKOUT SESSIONS DAY 2

BLOCK D 10:00AM - 11:30AM

#47

The Family & Pregnancy Pop-Up Village: A one-stop-shop of services to reduce pregnancy care-related inequities for Black families (R/E)

Jacqueline Odiase



Breaking Barriers: MAMMA's Mission to Support Black Breastfeeding Mothers (HC/CI)

Kiana Ayers



Empowering Black Mamas: The power of Black-led pregnancy education and support in transforming Black maternal health (HC/CI)

Sydni Williams

Chancellor

#8

A Multi-Site Study on How Enhanced Perinatal Support Programs Impact Incarcerated Black Women (P/A)

Alexus Roane



Supporting the Advancement of Black Maternal Health Programs in the Wake of Judicial Attacks (P/A)

Adria Bonillas

Habersham



#24

Finding HOPE in Maternal Wraparound Care (CS)

Rachel Hanson



Cultivating the Black Mama Care Dream Team: A Transformative Approach to Improving Outcomes and Childbirth Experience through Nurse, Perinatal Support Worker and Doula Collaboration (HC/CI)

Kimberley Broomfield-Massey



Triple Crown: Babies Win. Families Thrive. Communities Transformed! (HC/CI)

Isha Johnson

Ansley

#29

Birthlooms: A Culturally Affirming Creative Wellness Approach to Liberating Perinatal Photography + Visual Storytelling For Those Black + Brown + Birthing (CS)

Stefanie Belnavis



Chocolate Milk: using storytelling to shift culture around Black birth and breastfeeding (CS)

Elizabeth Bayne



When We See Us: Black Motherhood, Media & Maternal Health (CS)

Crystal Tennille Irby

Lenox

#39

Enrich Health-A Transformative Solution (HC/CI)

Monique Rainford , Aliah Fonteh-Makullah









Self managed and clinic based abortion care: All Roads Lead to Abortion Justice (HC/CI)

Dr. April Lockley, Dr. Jamila Perritt, Dr. Michelle Drew


Hallmark

BREAKOUT SESSIONS DAY 2

BLOCK D 10:00AM - 11:30AM

#14 	Liberation NOW: Making Visible Black Womxn's Experiences of (Dis)Respectful Care Through Theory, Narrative, and Measurement (R/E) Nicole Harris, Jasmine Garland McKinney	Galleria
#17   	Paternal Inclusion: A Solution to Maternal Health Outcomes (HC/CI) Joel Austin Evolution of Fathers in Black Maternal and Infant Health - Cultivating the Narrative Shift through Inclusion and Empowerment (CS) Gwendolynne Cole, Davion Mauldin, Ashley Skiffer-Thompson	Brayton
#34  	Stewarding Stories: Reflections from the Black Women's Dept. of Labor Project & Podcast (CS) Taja Lindley	Ascot

BLOCK E 2:00PM - 3:20PM

	Centering Trust: Towards Perinatal Practice that Achieves Testimonial Justice (HC/CI) Rochelle Maurice Breaking Barriers: Holistic Care and Clinical Innovation for Supporting Black Women in Navigating Healthcare Systems (HC/CI) Shawana Moore San Joaquin Pathways Community HUB: Community Care Coordination for Black Birth Equity (P/A) Christina Bastida-Gonzalez; Eva Cobb Catalyst for Reproductive Policy Change: Ohio Women's Alliance and Action Fund's Impact on Securing Healthcare Access for Black Women (P/A) Jordyn Close	Chancellor
#11 	Factors Influencing Black Diasporic Women's Choice of Healthcare Settings and Providers during the pre/post-natal periods (HC/CI) Favorite Iradukunda, Emefa Adawudu Black Immigrant Women's Healthcare Experiences During Pregnancy, Childbirth, and Postpartum in the United States: A Descriptive Qualitative study (HC/CI) Emefa Adawudu, Favorite Iradukunda The SEED Exchange: Maternal Health in Accra, Ghana (CS) Rose Aka James, Alexis Amankwanor	Habersham 
#26  	The Power of We - Community Health Workers Impact (HC/CI) Jenelle Hoseus (P), Tanikka Price Diversifying the Perinatal Workforce Leads To Improved Maternal Health Outcomes In Birthing People Of Color (R/E) Dr. Sharee Livingston (P), Dr. Cherise Hamblin	Ansley

BREAKOUT SESSIONS DAY 2

BLOCK E 2:00PM - 3:20PM

#33

Decolonizing Research to Build Narrative Power in Reproductive Justice Advocacy (R/E)

Zainab Sulaiman

● **Interrupting False Narratives: Applying a Racial Equity Lens to Perinatal Data (R/E)**
Lauren Arrington

Lenox

#18

Multi-level Partnerships to Optimize Systems of Care in Addressing Maternal Morbidity and Mortality (R/E)

Oyegbemisola Oworu

● **Resources for Title X clinics on combating congenital syphilis (HC/CI)**

Tracy Georges, Shenena Armstrong (P)

This is Your Body and Your Birth: Addressing Maternal Vulnerability Through Doula Work in Oklahoma P/E)

Eliza Washington, Ashlee Wilson

Hallmark

#22

Perinatal Loss & Grief (HC/CI)

Keisha Reaves

● **Black Wom(b)anhood: Applying the Bioecological Model of Reproductive Loss with African American Women (HC/CI)**

Jerica Wesley

● **Are you listening to me? Healing through Storytelling (CS)**

Erica Freeman

Galleria

#40

● **Birthing Change: The Inception & Impact of the Pennsylvania Black Maternal Health Caucus in the PA General Assembly (P/A)**

PA State Representatives La'Tasha Mayes, Gina Curry, and Morgan Cephas

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#13

The California Coalition for Black Birth Justice: Unifying the Vision for Systemic Change Workshop (P/A)

Dana Sherrod, Candice Charles









● **Lessons Learned from the Centering Black Mothers in California Project: Community- Academic-State Partnership is Essential to Address Black Birth Inequities (P/A)**

Mashariki Kudumu, Kimberly Robinson, Kristen Marchis

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	<p>Pleasure Mapping For Black Birthing Folx (HC/CI) Andrea Richardson</p>	
#44 	<p>Revitalizing the Soul: Blaq Birth Circle's Programing as an Anti-Burnout Oasis for Black Birth Workers (HC/CI) Jamaica R Gilliam, Meredith Strayhorn</p> <p>The Five Pillars of Holistic Care: Advancing a Decolonizing Mindset of Self-Care in Black Birthworkers (HC/CI) Krista Lumpkins-Howard, Shacomna Haley</p>	Chancellor
#20 	<p>Responding to the Unique Needs of Pregnant and Postpartum Women in MS during Natural Disasters and Community Crises (HC/CI) Asia Rush</p> <p>EnviroNatal Equity Week: Shifting the Culture toward Black Maternal Health and Climate Action (CS) Aver Yakubu</p> <p>Impact of Climate Change on Black Maternal and Infant Health (P/A) Stephanie Reese, Almeta Cooper</p>	Habersham 
#27 	<p>How Black led organizations Sustain and grow (HC/CI) Amber Pendergraph-Leak</p> <p>Pathways to Birth Equity: Leveraging a Field-Driven Approach to Strategic Maternal Health and Birth Equity Funding (R/E) Nicole Clark (P), Jamae Morris</p> <p>Giving Austin Labor Support: Providing Perinatal Support and Advancing Reproductive Justice in Central Texas (P/A) Dominique Adeniyi</p>	Ansley
#35 	<p>The Birth Story Love Letter (CS) Laurel Gourrier</p> <p>Reclaiming Our Birthright: Lessons from 25 Joyful Black Birthing Stories on the Birthright Podcast (CS) Kimberly Seals Allers, Natasha Aldridge, Lauriel Porter</p>	Lenox
#9   	<p>Exploring the "Mother Wound": The Epigenomic Impact of Maternal PTSD on Intergenerational Cardiovascular Health Risks within Black Families (R/E) Celeste Richmond</p> <p>Black Women and Non-Binary Persons' Perspectives on Interventions and Research on Black Cardio-Reproductive Health (R/E) Kyras Brown</p>	Hallmark

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EMBRACE Race Concordant Perinatal Care for Black Families: Reclaiming Health and Wellness for Black Births (R/E)

Jacqueline Odiase

Galleria

Igniting Change: Doulas as Catalysts for Advancing Black Maternal and Infant Health Equity in Iowa (R/E)

Leia Belt, Ebonie Bailey

#15

Informed Consent: How it can interrupt the impact of Family Regulation on Black Maternal Health (P/A)

Erin Cloud, Jasmine Sankofa

ROSE Black Maternal and Child Health Risk Index: Utilizing Data to Strengthen Maternal Health Services Provided to Black Birthing People (R/E)

Kimberley Broomfield-Massey, Andrea Serano

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The Power + Impact of Representative Education for Black Parents in a Broken System (CS)

Cheyenne Varner

#37

"Black MotherBoard": A Lived Experience Advisory Collaborative for Maternal Health Equity and Justice (P/A)

Diamond Lee, TaVia Wooley

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Birthing Communities and the Role of Religious Involvement (HC/CI)

Rose Archer, Iris Reddick Manburg

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PRESENTATIONS

- 1 An analysis of Perinatal Periods of Risk on excess fetal-infant mortality based on race/ethnicity in New Jersey, 2018-2021 (R/E)**
Adwoa Nantwi
- 2 Pregnancy loss among Muslim women: A narrative review (CS)**
Favorite Iradukunda
- 3 Exploring the Intersection of Work, Mental Health, and Equity for Black Mothers (P/A)**
Ciara Venter
- 4 Mama May I: The benefits of occupational therapy for Black pregnant women. (HC/CI)**
Tavia Williams
- 5 Community Informed Research Initiative to Address Social Drivers of Health for Reduction of Black Preterm Births (R/E)**
Demetrius Geiger-Byron
- 6 Community Doula Compensation: A Unique Progression Plan Tailored for Community-Based Doula Care Providers (R/E)**
Shamika Antwine-Boone, Ashlee Wilson
- 7 Community Alliance for Results in Equity: Clinical Systems Changes (HC/CI)**
Sarah Jo Wagner, Sian Elmore
- 8 Building Equitable Linkages with Interprofessional Education Valuing Everyone (BELIEVE): Amplifying Reproductive Justice through a Novel, Interprofessional Medical Curriculum (R/E)**
Jasmine Garland McKinney, Kimberly Harper
- 9 Understanding the Transportation Experiences of Black Pregnant Women during Prenatal Care in Western Massachusetts (P/A)**
Ruth Appiah Kubi, Favorite Iradukunda
- 10 Marijuana Mamas: Patients' Lived Experience of Cannabis Use In Pregnancy & Postpartum (R/E)**
Nikkia Patterson
- 11 Examining Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Breastfeeding Outcomes and Contributing Factors (R/E)**
Khiara Lee
- 12 Medicaid Managed Care, Maternal Mortality Review Committees, and Maternal Health: A 12-State Scan (P/A)**
Tanesha Mondestin
- 13 State Medicaid Opportunities to Support Mental Health of Mothers and Babies During the 12-Month Postpartum Period (P/A)**
Tanesha Mondestin

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- 14 **The Impact of a Community-based Doula-led Breastfeeding Support Meeting on Breastfeeding Rates and Breastfeeding Self-Efficacy in Black Women: A Program Evaluation (R/E)**
Keisha Lockhart
- 15 **Let's Talk about Preconception Health: Community Perspectives on Pre-Pregnancy Education and Resources (R/E)**
Oluyemi Farinu
- 16 **Specific Interventions to Mitigate Pregnancy-Related Morbidity and Mortality among Black Birthing People (R/E)**
Christina Toval
- 17 **Implicit Bias Training in Maternal Healthcare: A Qualitative Evaluation (R/E)**
Amy Ushry, Briana Kramer



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