

Perinatal Quality Collaboratives



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Perinatal quality collaboratives (PQCs) are state or multistate teams that work to improve the quality of care for pregnant people and infants. PQC members identify healthcare processes that need improvement and utilize quality improvement principles and evidence-informed clinical practices and processes to address gaps in care.

PQCs have impacted several critical outcomes, including:

- Reducing health care-associated bloodstream infections in newborns
- Reducing severe pregnancy complications associated with high blood pressure and hemorrhage
- Screening and treatment for mothers with substance use disorder and affected newborns
- Addressing maternal mental health care

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and March of Dimes launched the [National Network of Perinatal Quality Collaboratives \(NNPQC\)](#).



The organization supports state-based PQCs in making measurable improvements in statewide health care and health outcomes for mothers and babies.

