DRAFT AGENDA

Using Data to Improve Maternity Care in California: Research Collaborations and Future Opportunities

June 19-20, 2014
Sacramento Convention Center, 1400 J St, Sacramento, CA

June 19: 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

1:00–1:30  Registration

1:30–1:45  Welcome and symposium overview
  ▪  Kenneth W. Kizer, MD, MPH, Director, Institute for Population Health Improvement (IPHI), UC Davis Health System
  ▪  Toby Douglas, MPP, MPH, Director, California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS)
  ▪  Chris Perrone, MPP, Director, Health Reform and Public Programs Initiative, California HealthCare Foundation (CHCF)

1:45–2:45  Panel discussion: Key state and federal policy issues related to improving maternity care
Panelists will discuss policy efforts to address maternity care quality issues such as elective deliveries and c-sections, as well as disparities in access to maternity care and maternity care outcomes. They will identify policy changes that are part of the Affordable Care Act that represent new opportunities for maternity coverage or care.
  ▪  Moderator – Chris Perrone, CHCF
  ▪  Laurie Gregg, MD, American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists
  ▪  Anne McLeod, Vice President of Health Policy, California Hospital Association
  ▪  Richard Pan, MD, MPH, Chair, California Assembly Committee on Health
  ▪  Patricia Powers, MPA, Innovation Director, California State Innovation Model
  ▪  Leslie Kowaleski, Associate State Director, California State Chapter, March of Dimes

2:45–3:05  Overview of quality of care research using DHCS data
This session will describe the wealth of claims data that are available at DHCS which could be used on research that would better quality maternity care.
  ▪  Brian Paciotti, PhD, MS, Quality Scientist, Institute for Population Health Improvement, UC Davis Health System

3:05–3:20  Break
Data, measures, and methods: Research efforts underway to identify changes in maternity care that lead to improved patient experiences of care and outcomes

Speakers will describe research efforts underway in California to better understand variations in maternity care process and outcome measures as well as changes in the delivery of care that have the potential to improve patient experiences of care and outcomes. They will describe what issues are being informed by current research and identify areas that require further research.

- Elliott Main, MD, Medical Director, California Maternal Quality Care Collaborative (CMQCC) – will describe efforts of the CMQCC to transform maternity care, including the California Maternal Data Center, a statewide initiative providing performance metrics on maternity care services and designed to facilitate hospital quality improvement activities.
- Julia Logan, MD, MPH, Quality Officer, DHCS – will describe maternity care research being conducted through an adult Medicaid quality grant from CMS that focuses on improving postpartum care.
- Paula Braveman, MD, MPH, Professor of Family and Community Medicine and Director, Center on Social Disparities in Health, the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) – will describe research on socioeconomic and racial/ethnic disparities in maternity care, as well as results from an annual survey of maternal and infant health conducted for CDPH.
- Sylvia Guendelman, PhD, MSW, Professor of Community Health and Human Development, UC Berkeley School of Public Health – will describe research on birth outcomes for Latina women born in the US vs. Mexico.

4:50-5:00  Closing comments
Diana Dooley, JD, Secretary, California Health and Human Services Agency

5:00–6:30  Reception
DAY 2: 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

8:30–9:00  Registration

9:00–9:15  Welcome and symposium overview
  ▪ Neal Kohatsu, MD, MPH, Medical Director, DHCS

9:15–10:15  Developing a consumer-oriented research agenda
This session will highlight the need for data collection and research to be motivated by the needs of patients. It will describe a broad effort to develop a research agenda on consumer-oriented care, and illustrate one research effort that was centered on hearing what patients want in maternity care.
  ▪ Maureen Corry – will discuss results from the Listening to Mothers survey, a landmark effort that sheds light on women’s attitudes, beliefs, preferences and knowledge about maternity care, and which reports on many items that are not otherwise gathered at the national level.
  ▪ TBD – additional speaker to be confirmed

10:15–11:00  Using data for research: Considerations and constraints
This session will address how data requests submitted to DHCS are reviewed and processed, as well as what additional opportunities there are to combine maternity care data from linkages between multiple sources. The presentation on DHCS data requests will include information on criteria for responding to data requests, restrictions on data release to protect privacy, and data limitations. The presentation on data linkages will include lessons learned based on experience working with OSHPD and vital records data.
  ▪ Linette Scott, MD, MPH, Chief Medical Information Officer, DHCS
  ▪ Elliott Main, MD, Medical Director, CMQCC

11:00–11:15  Break

11:15–1:15  Breakout Groups: Generating Research Ideas/Questions
Participants will attend one moderated discussion group of their choice. Groups should spend about 45 minutes brainstorming ideas (11:15-12:00), break for lunch (12:00-12:30), and reconvene with the entire group to report out top priorities/areas of inquiry for each topic (12:30-1:15).

GROUP 1: Patients and Families
Moderator: [TBD]
Participants will discuss what patients and their families would value most from the research community, outlining the key opportunities, concerns, and challenges from this critical consumer perspective.

GROUP 2: Quality of Care
Moderator: Julia Logan, MD, MPH, Quality Officer, DHCS
Participants will discuss issues on the quality of maternal health care, including geographic variation in utilization, as well as measurement, reporting, and use of public data on provider quality.
GROUP 3: Disparities
Moderator: Sylvia Guendelman, PhD, MSW, Professor of Community Health and Human Development, UC Berkeley School of Public Health
Participants will discuss documented socioeconomic disparities in health outcomes and the delivery of care, and highlight short-term priority areas for action to reduce these disparities.

Group 4: Payment
Moderator: Pat Powers, MPA, Innovation Director, California State Innovation Model
Participants will explore how alternate payment methodologies (e.g., a blended payment for vaginal delivery or c-section) or value-based payment may affect maternity care outcomes.

1:15–1:30 Break

1:30-2:15 Keynote: Moving toward the 2020 vision of a high-quality, high-value maternity care system
This presentation will describe a multi-stakeholder process that resulted in the development of a national vision to improve maternity care, including delivery system transformations required to ensure that high-quality, high-value care is reliably delivered.
- Maureen P. Corry, MPH, Executive Director, Childbirth Connection

2:15–3:15 Panel Discussion: Developing a future research agenda
This discussion session will build on the priority research areas identified during the breakout groups. Panelists will reflect on what research can reasonably be conducted in the next 1-2 years using data from DHCS and other state sources that will improve maternity care quality. Panelists also will be asked to identify what resources are needed/what they each can contribute to increase the likelihood of these research efforts being successful.
- Moderator – Kenneth W. Kizer, MD, MPH, Director, IPHI
- Neal Kohatsu, MD, MPH, Medical Director, DHCS
- Elizabeth Lawton, MHS, Epidemiologist, Epidemiology, Assessment, and Program Development, Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health, Center for Family Health, California Department of Public Health
- Robert Moore, MD, Medical Director, Partnership Health Plan

3:15–3:30 Conclusions and next steps
- Chris Perrone, MPP, Director, Health Reform and Public Programs Initiative, California HealthCare Foundation (CHCF)

3:30 Adjourn