



Maryland Patient Safety Center presents:

Spring 2024

Perinatal Safety Series

Rates of maternal morbidity and mortality continue to rise, and significant racial and ethnic disparities exist in perinatal outcomes. This five-part webinar series will address practices which are foundational to providing safe perinatal care.

Who Should Attend?

Health care professionals who provide care for pregnant and postpartum persons including doulas, midwives, nurses, nurse practitioners, physicians' assistants, family practice or ob/gyn physicians or residents. The topics many also be of interest to patient safety professionals and risk managers.

Implementing Respectful Maternity Care February 8, 2024 • 12:00 – 1:00 pm

Rose L. Horton, MSM, RNC-OB, NEA-BC, FAAN
Founder & CEO of *NotOnMyWatch* Consulting
Partners, LLC

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Utilizing Simulation to Promote a Culture of Safety in Obstetrics March 14, 2024 • 12:00 – 1:00 pm

Kandis McLean DNP, FNP-C, MSN-ed, RNC-OB, C-
EFM, CHSE, Associate Director of Maternal Child
Quality and Nursing Education

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Maternal Sepsis: Why Mothers Die and How We Can Prevent It April 11, 2024 • 12:00 – 1:00 pm

Melissa Bauer D.O., Associate Professor of
Anesthesiology at Duke University Medical Center

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Promoting Patient Safety: The Nurse's Vital Role in Physiologic Birth May 16, 2024 • 12:00 – 1:00 pm

Sarah Lavonne, RNC-OB, ICCE, CLEC, Founder &
CEO of Bundle Birth

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Program Fee

MPSC members: **FREE**
Non-members: \$45/course



Implementing Respectful Maternity Care

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Course Description:

Respectful Maternity Care is an approach to care that will help reduce disparities and maternal morbidity and mortality outcomes, and support women and their families as they prepare for birth, postpartum recovery, and begin breastfeeding and parenting. Implementing RMC will:

- Help reduce disrespectful care and support the fundamental rights of women, newborns, and families
- Promote equitable access to evidence-based care
- Recognize and honor the unique needs and preferences of all birthing people

Learning Objectives:

- Identify essential aspects of respectful care in maternity care settings.
- Demonstrate opportunities for personal and organizational improvements to provide RMC.
- Analyze how to improve the birth experience for people in maternity care settings.



About the Speaker:



Rose L. Horton, MSM, RNC-OB, NEA-BC, FAAN

is the Founder & CEO of NotOnMyWatch Consulting Partners, an LLC she created 3 years after coining the hashtag #notonmywatch. She created the hashtag out of her frustration at the rising rate of maternal & infant morbidity and mortality. As a nurse she believed that nurses, as the largest healthcare employee contingent, have the power to change the trajectory of morbidity and mortality. The hashtag is a call to action for all nurses to use their collective voices to support, listen to, advocate for, and follow evidence-based practices in caring for all birthing people.

Rose is a Women & Infant healthcare executive leader working as a Specialty Director at Emory Decatur Hospital. There she also leads a DEI Health & Wellness committee.

Rose is passionate about safe and equitable care for all women. She speaks on the topic of maternal & infant mortality, resilience, empathy, communication and diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) locally, regionally, and nationally.

Rose served as the 2012 President of the Association of Women's Health Obstetrics & Neonatal Nursing (AWHONN), a 25,000-nurse member association that is pivotal in creating, supporting, legislating, and researching best practices, and evidence-based care of women and newborns. She was recently re-elected to the AWHONN Board of Directors and will once again serve as President in 2025. Rose was also inducted as a Fellow into the American Academy of Nursing in October, 2022.

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Utilizing Simulation to Promote a Culture of Safety in Obstetrics

March 14, 2024 ● 12:00 – 1:00 pm

Learning Objectives:

- Describe how to create a psychologically safe simulation environment and scenario.
- Discuss the impact of multi professional simulation-based obstetric team training on patient-reported quality of care and improving team dynamics.
- Compare and contrast what is best...Debrief or PRE-brief for Simulation?

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About the Speaker:



Kandis McLean DNP, FNP-C, MSN-ed, RNC-OB, C-EFM, CHSE has been a maternal child nurse for over a decade and is a family nurse practitioner. Currently the Associate Director of Maternal Quality and Education and part of the Maternal Mortality Reduction Program launched across the system to improve obstetrical outcomes. She possesses her Doctorate in Nursing leadership and two Masters of Science in Nursing. She is certified in inpatient obstetrics, electronic fetal monitoring, and simulation. She is also the current national AWHONN Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Regional Coordinator. Her work is focused on improving the delivery and quality of maternal care to reduce maternal morbidity and mortality for birthing patients.

Maternal Sepsis: Why Mothers Die and How We Can Prevent It

April 11, 2024 ● 12:00 – 1:00 pm

Learning Objectives:

- Discuss how to diagnose maternal sepsis
- Describe 3 major delays that lead to maternal deaths due to sepsis
- Summarize recommended treatment for maternal sepsis

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About the Speaker:



Melissa Bauer D.O. is dual fellowship trained in critical care and obstetric anesthesiology and an Associate Professor of Anesthesiology at Duke University Medical Center. Dr. Bauer is independently funded by the National Institutes of Health (Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Development) to work to reduce maternal mortality and morbidity from maternal sepsis. Her research is centered on the early identification and treatment of maternal sepsis and using patient and community engagement to improve maternal care. She currently serves as Chair for the national Alliance for Innovation on Maternal Health Sepsis in Obstetrical Care Patient Safety Bundle Workgroup with the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and Alliance for Innovation on Maternal Health.



Promoting Patient Safety: The Nurse's Vital Role in Physiologic Birth

May 16, 2024 ● 12:00 – 1:00 pm

Learning Objectives:

- Define physiologic birth and the nurse's role in its promotion.
- Understand how promoting physiologic birth promotes safer outcomes.
- Identify 3 ways they can improve their practice to promote physiologic birth

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About the Speaker:



Sarah Lavonne, RNC-OB, ICCE, CLEC is the pioneering founder & CEO of Bundle Birth, A Nursing Corporation. With a passion for uniting patients, support persons, and medical personnel through education and support, Sarah fearlessly developed a community of learning and inspiration across labor and delivery. As a former floor nurse, peer mentor, and childbirth educator, and assistant nurse manager, Sarah has dedicated herself to empowering nurses to provide unconventional care that changes the world. Through a 12-month mentorship program, various classes and workshops, and a thriving social media presence, Sarah has built a community of passionate, patient-centered nurses who become leaders in the field. Sarah believes her curiosity, resourcefulness and passion are some of her greatest strengths. When not at work, Sarah enjoys music events, new adventures and learning, and frequent visits to her family in Ecuador.

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