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ATERNAL MENTAL HEALTH AT A GLANCE



10,000 births per year

2,000 families impacted by MMH conditions

deaths per 100,000 births3

maternal mortality rate

\$48 million cost

of untreated MMH conditions mother's lost wages and productivity, poor health outcomes of mother and baby 1 CDC 2 March of Dimes 3 CDC Wonder Online Database

13% postpartum depression rate¹

39% births covered by Medicaid²

STATEWIDE EFFORTS			
х	Coalition/Commission/Task Force		
✓	Medicaid Expansion		
✓	Maternal Mortality Review	Alaska Maternal and Child Death Review	
✓	Perinatal Quality Collaborative	Alaska Perinatal Quality Collaborative	Y
Х	Psychiatry Access Program		ט
✓	Postpartum Support International Chapter	PSI Alaska Chapter	
Х	Proclamation or Resolution		
х	State Legislation or Policy		
✓	Other	American Indian and Alaska Native Women's Maternal Health: 2019 article by National Partnership for Women and Families	



COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Alaska Birth Collective (Anchorage) – Provides support, education, information, and advocacy for families during the childbearing years by hosting community events, educational workshops, support meetings for new and expecting parents, and training and professional development for care providers.

Alaska Native Birthworkers Community – Seeks to formalize and grow a network of Alaska Native birthworkers to support Native birthing families and to advocate for systemic change. Provides support during preconception, pregnancy, loss, birth, and postpartum through community dialogues, trainings, and ceremonies. Also on Facebook.