

2022 NIH Implementing a Maternal health & PRegnancy Outcomes Vision for Everyone (IMPROVE) Initiative Awardee Workshop

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Location

NIH VideoCast; registration is free but required

Purpose

IMPROVE is an NIH-wide initiative led by NIH OD, NICHD, and ORWH, with participation from multiple NIH institutes, centers, and offices, that was established in response to the rising U.S. rates of pregnancy-related deaths. This multipronged, innovative research effort is designed to address maternal mortality and morbidity, including severe maternal morbidity, and improve maternal health before, during, and after pregnancy. IMPROVE includes a special focus on health disparities and populations disproportionately affected, such as African Americans, American Indians/Alaskan Natives, Asian Pacific Islanders, Hispanics/Latinas, very young women and women of advanced maternal age, and people with disabilities.

In fiscal year (FY) 2020, [NIH awarded more than \\$7 million](#) to support 36 IMPROVE projects aimed at rapidly improving our understanding of and mitigation strategies for the leading causes of pregnancy-related and pregnancy-associated mortality and morbidity.

This workshop brings together researchers and clinicians supported by the FY20 NIH IMPROVE funding to share their work, progress to date, and insights resulting from their research. Participants will:

- Share research results and lessons learned from IMPROVE projects
- Identify common themes and highlight shared research gaps and opportunities that can complement ongoing disease-specific work across NIH and collaborating organizations
- Further define the needs of pregnant and postpartum individuals to reduce preventable causes of morbidity and mortality

Individuals who need reasonable accommodations to participate in this activity should contact Monica Barnette at mbarnette@thebizzellgroup.com at least 5 days in advance.

More Information

- [View workshop recording](#)
- [Workshop executive summary](#) (PDF 292 KB)
- [Workshop summary](#) (PDF 446 KB)

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