

SC AIM – Ready to Start a New Safety Bundle Journey

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ALLIANCE FOR INNOVATION ON MATERNAL HEALTH

The Alliance for Innovation on Maternal Health, or AIM, is a national, cross-sector commitment designed to support best practices that make birth safer, improve maternal health outcomes and save lives.

WHAT ARE PATIENT SAFETY BUNDLES?

Patient Safety Bundles are a structured way of improving the processes of care and patient outcomes.

- Patient safety bundles are collections of evidenceinformed best practices, developed by multidisciplinary experts, which address clinically specific conditions in pregnant and postpartum people.
- The goal of PSBs is to improve the way care is provided to improve outcomes.
- A bundle includes actionable steps that can be adapted to a variety of facilities and resource levels.







Severe Hypertension in Pregnancy





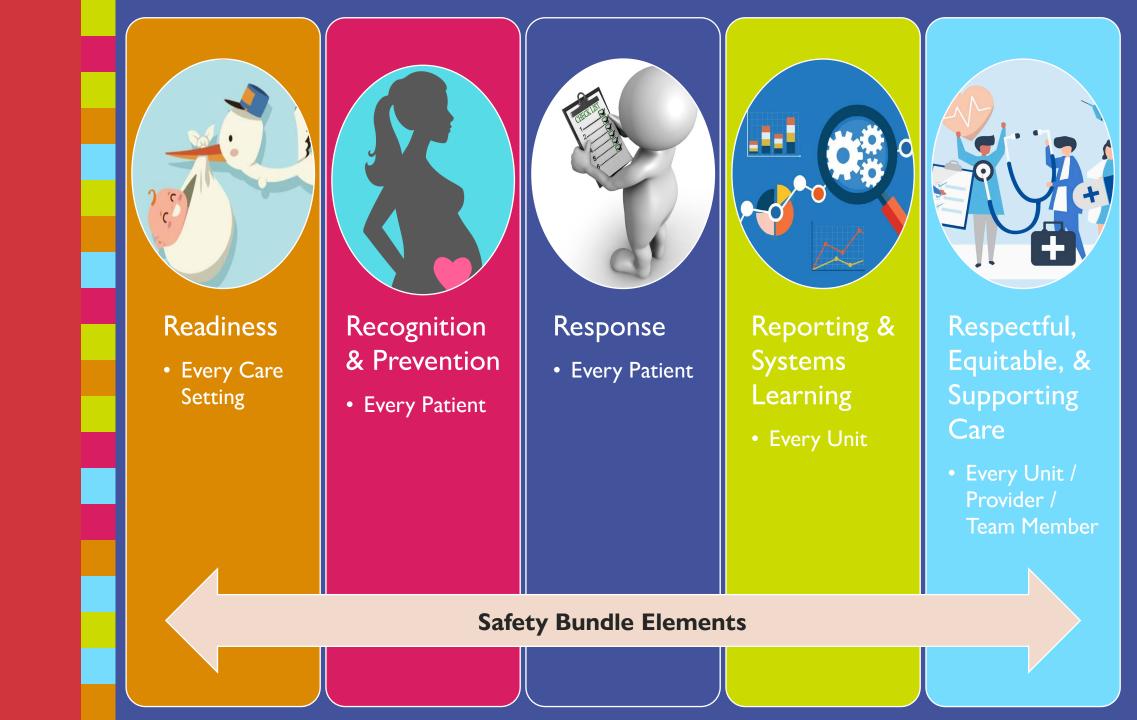
Trends in pregnancy-related mortality ratios in the United States: 1987-2019

Pregnancy-related mortality ratio

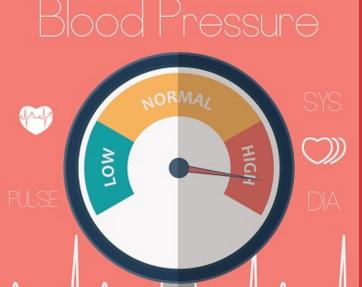
Severe Hypertension in Pregnancy

- According to the CDC:
 - The prevalence of hypertensive disorders in pregnancy affected at least 1 in 7 delivery hospitals during 2019.
 - During 2019, about one third of all deaths during a delivery hospitalization had a hypertensive disorder of pregnancy documented.
 - "Hypertension in pregnancy is a leading cause of preventable, pregnancy-related complications and death, with an estimated 60 percent of deaths related to severe hypertension being identified as preventable since 2005."

(n.d.). https://saferbirth.org/wp-content/uploads/Hypertension-Change-Package-FINAL-VERSION-3.30.23.pdf



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Assess & document if patient presenting is pregnant or has been pregnant within the past year in all care settings Ensure rapid access to medications used for severe hypertension / eclampsia



Initiate postpartum follow up visit within 3 days of birth hospitalization discharge date for individuals whose pregnancy was complicated by hypertensive disorders of pregnancy

Components



Monitor outcomes and process data related to severe hypertension Include pregnant & postpartum persons as part of the multidisciplinary care team to establish trust & ensure informed shared decision-making that incorporates the pregnant & postpartum person's values and goals.





Ongoing education to all patients on the signs and symptoms of hypertension and preeclampsia and empower them to seek care.

SEVERE HYPERTENSION IN PREGNANCY PATIENT SAFETY BUNDLE



https://saferbirth.org/psbs/severe-hypertension-in-pregnancy/

Current Planning:

- Pre-Implementation Survey
 - Areas of Need
 - Known Barriers to
 Implementation
 - Education Needs
- Data Components
- Webinar/Meetings
- Tools & Resource Development





Thank you!



Want to get involved?

or

Want more information?



Quality & Patient Safety Workgroup Meeting: 2nd Wednesday of the month at 12:00 pm

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