

### 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





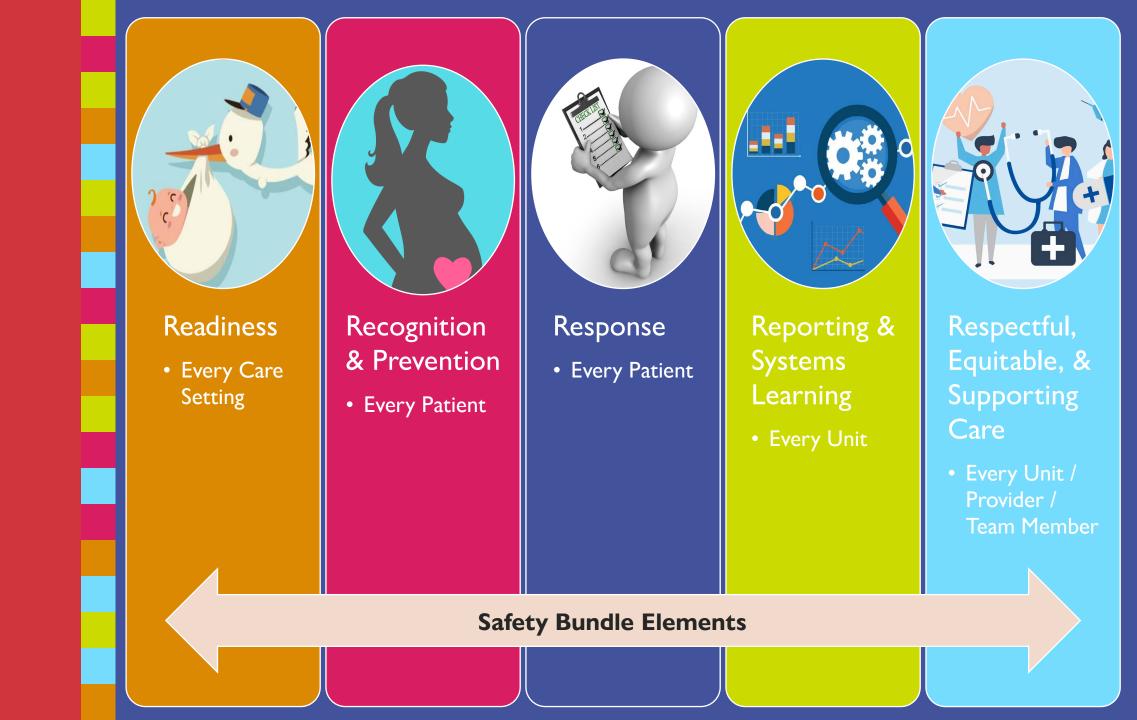
Trends in pregnancy-related mortality ratios in the United States: 1987-2019

Pregnancy-related mortality ratio

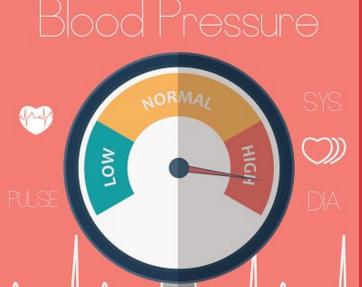
### Severe Hypertension in Pregnancy

- 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: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 12:00 pm

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