

WISCONSIN MATERNAL MORTALITY REVIEW TEAM (MMRT)

May 2024 Meeting Summary

Cases Reviewed: 11

Preventability: 100% preventable

Pregnancy-Relatedness: 18% pregnancy-related

Causes of Death*: Epilepsy/Seizure Disorder, Hemorrhage

MMRT Recommendations*: (#) = number of cases

For Providers:

- Healthcare providers should emphasize chronic disease management and safety of medications with every reproductive age person. (1)
- Any provider interacting with reproductive age women with chronic medical conditions should emphasize the importance of reproductive life planning at each visit. (1)
- Obstetric care providers should utilize standardized risk assessment for postpartum hemorrhage and adequately prepare. (1)

For Facilities:

- Facilities should assign case managers to coordinate care for people with complex medical issues and additional risk factors (like cognitive delay) who do not have adequate supports prior to pregnancy or in the peripartum period. (1)
- All facilities should implement postpartum hemorrhage bundles with emergency management plan checklists, including drills. (1)
- Facilities should provide ongoing education regarding identification, management and treatment of postpartum hemorrhage to providers. (1)
- Birthing centers delivering a high volume of patients should have necessary access to trauma services and blood bank capability. (1)
- Fertility care centers should offer preconception counseling to patients with obesity offer resources for weight loss and health. (1)

* Pregnancy-related only

MMRT Recommendations Continued:

For Systems:

- Federal, state, and local public health officials should implement evidence-based campaigns in partnership with communities to educate reproductive-aged people about the importance of medication and chronic disease management prior to conception. (1)
- The CDC should provide funding for healthcare systems to provide health literacy for chronic conditions through social media and other innovative messaging systems. These systems should utilize the input of young individuals affected by chronic conditions and be presented through the reproductive years. (1)
- Health care organizations should provide professional support and wraparound services for any person with cognitive or developmental delay at each interaction with health care system. (1)

For Communities:

No community-level recommendations.