Advocacy and Legislative Resources

In addition to the interactive content provided in our toolkit, we provide you with the following resources to help you with advocacy efforts. Don’t forget to browse our How To: Advocacy Guide for a step by step approach to advocacy.

- **The Center For Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Pregnancy Mortality Surveillance System** tracks data and showcases statistics from 1986 to 2018.
- **The Joint Commission Quality Check** will publicly report C-Section rates by July 2020. This will provide additional insights into how hospitals compare against *standards* that have been monitored since 2010.
- **State Maternal Mortality Review Committees (MMRCs)** have been established in many states. These committees review cases of death related to pregnancy and postpartum period. The reviews help identify patterns and prevent maternal mortality.
- **Alliance for Innovation on Maternal Health (AIM)** is a national data-driven maternal safety and quality improvement initiative. The goal is to decrease preventable maternal deaths and severe morbidity.
**California Maternal Quality Care Collaborative Maternal Data Center** was created to help monitor and improve the quality of perinatal care. If you’re located in California, Washington or Oregon you can see if your hospital participates in the collaborative. Hospitals use the evidence-based quality improvement toolkits provided by this initiative and record near real-time benchmarking data.

- Every state has a **Health Agency or Public Health Department** that is focused on the health of the general public. **You can locate your local State Health Department Here.**