



READ ME FIRST!

- ❑ **Please review the following:**
 - [Introductory Webinar](https://youtu.be/owOedTBLrT4)
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 - Progesterone Project One-Pager
 - Project Flyer
 - Team Registration Form

NEXT STEPS

- ❑ **Interested teams should submit the following to info@opqc.net:**
 - Completed Team Registration Form
- ❑ **A QI consultant will follow-up with a welcome call and answer any additional questions you may have.**

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Ohio Perinatal Quality Collaborative Progesterone Project



The Ohio Perinatal Quality Collaborative (OPQC) strives to use improvement science methods to reduce preterm births & improve outcomes of preterm newborns in Ohio as soon as possible. Progesterone is an evidence-based therapy that can significantly decrease the chance of preterm birth in women with a previous preterm birth and/or short cervix. The Ohio Department of Health (ODH) and Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) asked OPQC to improve the use of progesterone in Ohio. OPQC began this effort by working closely with 23 prenatal care clinics associated with Ohio's 20 largest hospitals from 2014 - 2016 to test strategies and implement interventions to promote treatment of women at risk. ODH and ODM have now asked that these successful strategies be shared with all maternity care providers who treat Medicaid patients throughout Ohio in 9 OEI communities. The spread project will:

- Assist maternity care providers in implementing the new electronic **NurtureOhio Pregnancy Risk Assessment Form (PRAF 2.0)** for all pregnant women insured by Medicaid by the end of 2018. This form will facilitate communication among pregnant women, their care providers, Medicaid Managed Care Plans, pharmacies, home health services and the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services.
- Partner with ODH and ODM to engage with maternity care providers in all 9 OEI Communities to use strategies from the Ohio Progesterone Promotion Project;
- Partner with the Ohio Association of Community Health Centers (OACHC) to spread the success of 4 pilot Federally Qualified Health Centers to additional Centers;
- Share the Progesterone Change Package concepts at each maternity care provider site using Quality Improvement methodology
- Work with key stakeholders at the system level (insurers, specialty pharmacies, health systems) to ensure that all eligible women have prompt access to Progesterone;
- Remove communication barriers among clinics, pharmacies, home health care services, and managed care plans about initiating and maintaining progesterone treatment.

Our aim is to decrease the rate of premature births < 32 weeks gestation with a focus in 9 OEI communities by June 30, 2018 by spreading the Progesterone Project methods to all care providers who care for pregnant women insured by Medicaid.

For further information please contact OPQC at info@OPQC.net



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How Can Your Practice Improve Prematurity Outcomes?

- 1) Assemble a core care improvement team.
- 2) Optimize your processes for finding pregnant women at risk.
- 3) Attend monthly webinars to share your successes/challenges and learn from others.
- 4) Learn to improve efficiency in identifying women at risk by using the new web-based PRAF 2.0.
- 5) Utilize data from the PRAF 2.0 to improve care processes.
- 6) Complete an OPQC participation agreement.
- 7) Attend a local/regional workshop

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To learn more about OPQC , visit our website at www.opqc.net or connect with us on [Facebook!](#)

For additional information on getting your practice involved, contact us:

info@opqc.net

LEARN FROM THE BEST!

The Ohio Perinatal Quality Collaborative (OPQC) is a statewide consortium of perinatal clinicians, hospitals, policy makers and governmental entities that aims, through the use of improvement science, to reduce preterm birth and improve birth outcomes across the state of Ohio. OPQC includes senior advisors from the fields of obstetrics and quality improvement:

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OPQC Prematurity Prevention Project Team Registration



Please complete the information below (one for each site) and return your completed team registration form to info@opqc.net.

Site Name _____ Street _____ City _____ Zip _____

A “Core Improvement Team” is usually 2 to 4 individuals who are passionate and Champions of the project. These teams may include a Physician, Nurse Practitioner, Nurse Manager, Staff Nurse, Administrator and/or Office site staff member.

➤ Clinician Champion	Responsible for endorsing best clinical practices and willing to lead the improvement activities within their office site. Typically, a Physician, Midwife/Nurse Practitioner.
➤ Key Contact Team Lead <i>*REQUIRED</i>	Responsible for organizing improvement activities for your office site, including coordinating regular team meetings, managing improvement activities and serving as key contact for communications with the rest of the team. Typically, this person is a nurse manager or clinic manager.
➤ Nursing Representative <i>*REQUIRED</i>	Assist with supporting activities of the project and problem solving operational barriers along with testing changes. An example would be a Nurse, Medical Assistant, Scheduler, Registration, Clerical Staff etc.
➤ Additional team Member	Added to the team as needed to represent different aspects of the practice, such as registration clerks, schedulers, and other clerical staff.

In addition to a Core Improvement Team, support from a Senior Leader at your site is a key to your team’s success. Many of the strategies your team will test depend on making changes in practice, culture and infrastructure. Their approval and support in these activities will be critical for improved outcomes.

Please list below the members of your team:

Full Name	Credentials	Email Address	Phone Number	Title	Role on Project (Place an “X” where applicable)				
					Clinician Champion	Key Contact Team Lead	Nursing Representative	Team Member	Sr. Leader
<i>Ex. Mary Smith</i>	<i>MSN</i>	<i>marysmith@hospital.com</i>	<i>513-598-1234</i>	<i>Nursing Director</i>		X			

Is your Medicaid patient population ≥ 30%? YES NO UNKNOWN