



ONE SIZE DOES NOT FIT ALL: STRATEGIES TO PROMOTE MENTAL WELLNESS FOR EXPECTANT AND PARENTING FAMILIES

Friday April 1, 2022
7:00AM-4:30PM

Registration begins at 7:00 am • Keynotes begin at 7:45am

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About Postpartum Pittsburgh

VISION: It is the vision of Postpartum Pittsburgh that every woman and family in Western Pennsylvania will have access to state-of-the-art information, informed professional care, and peer support to address mental health issues related to childbearing.

MISSION: Postpartum Pittsburgh is a collaboration of treatment providers and community service organizations in Western Pennsylvania whose mission is to:

- Establish a network of Western PA health professionals committed to promoting the mental health of childbearing women and their families
 - Provide educational opportunities on evidence-based childbearing-related mental health prevention and treatment strategies
 - Increase understanding about and improve the reach of mental health services into minority and underserved populations
- Optimize a website for diverse communities to gain easy access to vetted resources for treatment, education, and peer support for childbearing-related mental health needs
- Promote awareness of childbearing-related mental health concerns through solidarity events which combat stigma and shame

Conference Overview

**One size does not fit all:
Strategies to promote mental wellness for expectant and parenting families**

Introduction:

Postpartum Pittsburgh is proud to present this opportunity for professionals in diverse specialties to gain knowledge in best treatment practices for perinatal women with mental health disorders.

Perinatal depression is a prevalent public health problem which affects at least 14.5% (1 out of 7) of new mothers, with two to three-fold higher rates in minority, single, and low-income mothers. The health of perinatal women is critical to shaping the physical, socio-emotional, and behavioral development of offspring. Many mothers go untreated due to lack of knowledge about how to identify perinatal mental illness as well as lack of knowledge about evidence-based treatments and preventive strategies in the perinatal period. Given the high prevalence, extensive impact, and complexity of treating perinatal mental health disorders, it is imperative to update and increase consistency in knowledge disseminated to practitioners who have contact with childbearing individuals, which not only includes therapists and psychiatrists, but also practitioners of primary care, obstetrics and gynecology, general adult psychiatry, pediatrics, as well as nurses and social workers in all these clinical settings.

Structural racism has shaped the practice of medicine overall and particularly Obstetrics and Gynecology and Psychiatry. In the past year it has been highlighted that racism, not race, is the cause for increased pregnancy-associated morbidity and mortality in people of color. Severe maternal morbidity (SMM) occurs at rates 3-4-fold higher in black relative to white women and is 12-fold higher

in some cities. While psychiatric illness and substance use disorders both contribute to and increase after pregnancy-associated morbidity, birthing people of color are often deterred from seeking and maintaining mental health care. For some, there is a distrust of the healthcare system because of past victimization and trauma, or fear that seeking treatment will be punitive, such as having their children removed from their care. There are myriad additional barriers, including lack of providers of color, lack of culturally relevant care, long wait times for mental health appointments, lack of childcare during appointments, lack of transportation, patient prioritization of more emergent problems in the family or home, the stigma of seeking out mental health services, high cost of care, and lack of health insurance.

In Pittsburgh, like other communities, there is a need for broader anti-racism and implicit bias training and an ongoing commitment to said practices so that non-Black providers can deepen their understanding of how to deliver culturally responsive and trauma-informed mental health care. Improved cross-cultural and academic-private-community communication not only has the potential to improve the care that is already available, but it also has the potential to lead to new programmatic collaborations that leverage collective resources to make larger scale changes to mitigate the disproportionate morbidity and mortality in childbearing women of color. Pittsburgh has insufficient numbers of Black mental health practitioners. We know that patients fare better when their providers look like them; therefore, there is a critical need to partner with Black-led organizations in providing care for these groups of women and to contribute to opportunities for bringing more Black individuals into the pipeline to become perinatal mental health specialists.

Who Should Attend:

The conference is designed to present current evidence-based information regarding perinatal mental health disorders, their impact, and treatment, to a professional audience: psychiatrists, primary care physicians, obstetrician-gynecologists, pediatricians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, psychologists, mental health clinicians, nurses, social workers, pharmacists, service coordinators, community health workers, policy administrators, students and trainees who work in the perinatal mental health space.

Educational Objectives:

At the completion of the program, participants should be able to:

1. Have greater understanding of experiences of perinatal mental wellness in BIPOC populations as well as approaches to gaining trust and optimizing wellness
2. Have more knowledge about how to develop mental health partnerships with community organizations who serve perinatal populations of color.
3. Identify holistic approaches and evidence-based strategies to treat perinatal mental health disorders.
4. Identify resources and providers in Allegheny County that can treat perinatal mental illness and support maternal, infant, and family mental health.

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Continuing Education Credit

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The maximum number of hours awarded for this Continuing Nursing Education activity is 7.0 contact hours.

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This knowledge-based activity provides 7.0 contact hours of continuing pharmacy education credit.

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The University of Pittsburgh has been authorized by the American Academy of PAs (AAPA) to award AAPA Category 1 CME credit for activities planned in accordance with AAPA CME Criteria. This activity is designated for 7.0 AAPA Category 1 CME credits. PAs should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation.

Licensed/Clinical Social Workers, Licensed Professional Counselors, Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists: LSW/LCSW/LPC/LMFT

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Psychologists

Education and Consultative Services of UPMC Western Psychiatric Hospital is approved by the American Psychological Association to offer continuing education for psychologists. Education and Consultative Services of UPMC Western Psychiatric Hospital maintains responsibility for this program and its content. This program is offered for 7.0 continuing education credits.

Postpartum Support International Perinatal Mental Health Certification (PMH-C)

Attendance at this conference is approved for 6 hours of advanced training toward the Perinatal Mental Health Certification through PSI.

Other health care professionals will receive a certificate of attendance confirming the number of contact hours commensurate with the extent of participation in this activity.

Registration Information

Registration Costs	On or before 3/11/22	After 3/11/22
Physicians	\$200	\$250
Professionals	\$150	\$200
Students/Residents/Fellows	\$50	\$75

Tuition includes:

- * All registration and conference materials
- * Continental Breakfast, Lunch and Refreshments
- * Continuing Education Credits and Continuing Medical Education Credits (for physician and professional fee only)

Register here: <https://cce.upmc.com/one-size-does-not-fit-all>

All cancellations must be in writing and sent to us via email (postpartumpgh@gmail.com). Tuition for cancellations date stamped by March 25th 11:59pm will be refunded in full. After March 26th 12:00am, no refunds will be made.

Participation by all individuals is encouraged. Advance notification of any special needs will help us provide better service. Please notify us of your needs at least two weeks in advance of the program by emailing postpartumpgh@gmail.com.

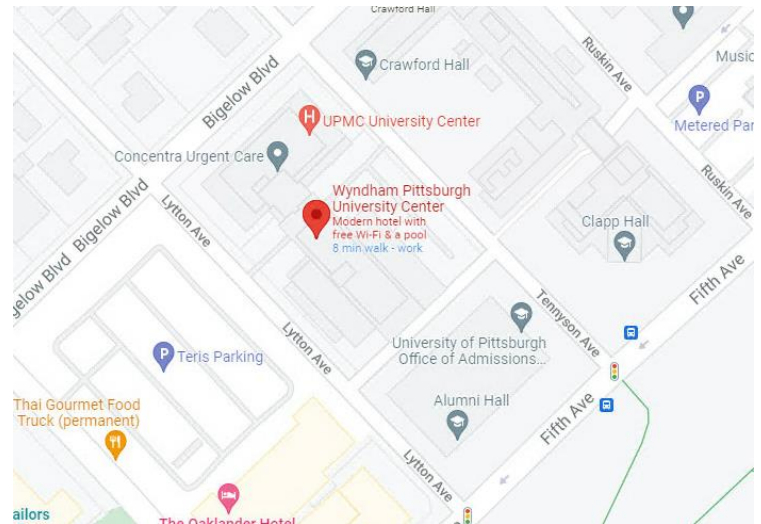
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Arrival and Parking Information:

Parking at the Wyndham Pittsburgh University Center is based on availability. Conference attendees are offered a flat \$8.00 rate for up to 12-hours. This is a discounted rate and is subject to change without notice. For hotel guests sleeping overnight, there is a different daily fee.



Overflow parking is available adjacent to the Wyndham entrance, at the UPMC University Center. Conference attendees are offered a flat \$8.00 rate for up to a 12-hour period. This is a discounted rate and is subject to change without notice.

There is a small group block of hotel rooms at a rate of \$149.00 for attendees who plan to stay the night prior to the conference on March 31st, 2022. Please call the hotel and request a room under the name Postpartum Pittsburgh.

Conference Program

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Time	Content	Title	Presenter(s)
7:00–7:45 AM	Registration and Continental Breakfast		
7:45–8:00 AM	Welcome	Conference Introduction and Postpartum Pittsburgh Overview	Eydie Moses-Kolko, MD
8:00–8:45 AM	Keynote A	Bias and Equity: Impacts on Community Health	Tracey Conti, MD
8:45-9:30 AM	Keynote B	Addressing Health Disparities: Maternal and Pediatric Health Impact	Johanna Vidal-Phelan, MD, MBA, FAAP
9:30-9:45 AM	Break		
9:45-10:30 AM	Keynote C	Service delivery and adaptation for families in Allegheny County	Dannai Wilson, MS
10:30 AM–12:00 PM	Listening Session	Listening to Understand: Supporting Childbearing Individuals of Color	Facilitator: Courtney Utz LPC, M.Ed, Ed.S Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diana P. Byas • Chaunda Cunningham • Alecia Dawn Young • Muffy Mendoza • Tica Nickson • Gloria Rodriguez Ransom • Ngozi Tibbs
12:00-1:00 PM	Lunch and Connecting		
CASES TRACK			
1:00-2:30 PM	Cases Session A	Holding the baby in mind: Dyadic interventions in perinatal mental health	Dena M. Dunn, PsyD, IMH-E (IV) Discussant: Courtney Utz LPC, M.Ed, Ed.S
2:30 - 2:45 PM	Break		

2:45– 4:15 PM	Cases Session B	Risk in context: Topics in Perinatal Psychopharmacology	Eydie Moses-Kolko, MD Discussant: Sukanya Srinivasan, MD
SPECIAL TOPICS TRACK Breakout Sessions: Promoting Wellness for the Birthing Person			
1:00-2:00 PM	Session 1	Reproductive Trauma: When Healthy Mom, Healthy Baby is Not Enough	Jodie Hnatkovitch, LPC, PMH-C, CPLC
2:00-3:00 PM	Session 2	Psychological approaches to perinatal mental and physical wellness	Michele D. Levine, PhD and Rachel Kolko Conlon, PhD
3:00-4:00 PM	Session 3	Strengthening Families: Supporting Pregnant and Parenting Persons with Substance Use Disorders	Stacy Freeman-Pistella MA, LPC, CAADC and Elizabeth Krans MD
4:15-4:30 PM	Adjournment and Connecting		

Dinner Fundraiser:

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