

Collaborative for Maternal and Infant Health – Levels of Maternal Care Graduate Internship

The NCIOM Perinatal Systems of Care Task Force and North Carolina Perinatal Health Strategic Plan have identified an urgent need to improve systems for risk-appropriate maternal care. The NC Division of Health Service Regulation (DHSR) is committed to revising the NC Guidelines for Neonatal Care in 2021, which provides an opportunity to implement new Levels of Maternal Care (LoMC) through incorporation into existing NC state guidelines. The National Implementation Research Network (NIRN) will support the Collaborative for Maternal and Infant Health (CMIH) to complete exploration of LoMC implementation with an array of North Carolina stakeholders.

Objectives for this work include:

1. Educate North Carolina stakeholders on current national standards for risk-appropriate maternal care, the implementation resources are available, and how they can be adapted or enhanced for NC's context.
2. Assess stakeholders' perceived need, fit, and capacity for LoMC and build motivation for engagement.
3. Determine adaptations or enhancements to national standards for NC implementation.

The selected intern will support NC LoMC exploration during the summer of 2021 through the following activities:

- Support Stakeholder Meeting Planning
 - Participate in all planning calls
 - Co-develop stakeholder meeting agendas
 - Schedule stakeholder meetings
- Co-Facilitate Stakeholder Meetings
 - Support facilitation of stakeholder meetings as needed
 - Provide note-taking support during stakeholder meetings
 - Transcribe all meeting content
- Support Data Analysis & Reporting
 - Participate in qualitative data analysis
 - Conduct literature review on NC LoMC
 - Draft methods section for final report

Desired applicant experience and skills:

- Familiarity with maternal health, particularly obstetric care in North Carolina
- Experience conducting literature reviews
- Qualitative data collection and analysis
- Project coordination
- Facilitation for reflection and analysis among diverse stakeholders
- Production of reports that effectively summarize data and implications

The intern would need to be available for 40 hours per week for 12 weeks, June – Aug, 2021. The hourly rate will be \$20/hr. The mentors for this opportunity are Audrey Loper and Laura Louison (NIRN). Collaborators include Erin McClain and Kate Menard (Collaborative for Maternal and Infant Health) and Belinda Pettiford and LaDonna Warren (NC DPH).

Please submit a cover letter, resume or CV, and a brief writing sample by Wed, May 26th to:

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