Ohio Gestational Diabetes Postpartum Care Learning Collaborative

Check her risk. Protect her health.

PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

Wave 3 practices are eligible to participate if they provide prenatal care to women eligible for or enrolled in Medicaid.

It is preferred that practices are high volume Medicaid providers serving clients that are African-American, Hispanic and/or Appalachian.

PROGRAM PARTNERS

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Funded by the Ohio Department of Health (ODH), the Ohio Gestational Diabetes Mellitus Postpartum Care Learning Collaborative is a quality improvement (QI) effort to increase education and screening for Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus (T2DM) among women with a history of GDM, with a special emphasis on high-risk women enrolled in Medicaid. The project will be engaging 5 Ohio practices providing care to women during pregnancy and post-partum to participate in a deep dive design of experiment, testing strategies identified in previous waves of the project for effectiveness.

Gestational diabetes mellitus (GDM) affects an estimated 3 to 9 percent of all pregnancies in Ohio – around 13,000 women. About half of these women will develop T2DM. The Ohio Department of Health and the Ohio Colleges of Medicine Government Resource Center (GRC) are working with national experts and OBGYN practices to meet the collaborative’s goals by utilizing a modified version of the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) Model for Improvement. The project promotes the use of evidence-informed strategies to increase knowledge of and improve health outcomes for women with a history of GDM, with a special focus on care coordination.

Participating practices that serve pregnant women diagnosed with GDM have the opportunity to participate in the Learning Collaborative by:

- Receiving support and coaching to effectively implement tests of change using QI methodologies and
- Collecting monthly data and receiving rapid cycle data feedback on successes.
- Forming a diverse project team within each practice that includes both clinical and administrative staff;
- Piloting innovative strategies and resources;
- Sharing strategies between providers to identify best practices for providing prenatal and postpartum care for pregnant moms-to-be with GDM;

For more information, please visit the website at: http://ohiogdm.com