

National Fetal and Infant Mortality Review
Seventh National Conference
Marriott® Crystal Gateway Hotel
Arlington, Virginia

FIMR: Opportunities to Achieve Health Equity
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For more than two decades, the National Fetal and Infant Mortality Review (NFIMR) Program, has flourished as a partnership between the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and the federal Maternal and Child Health Bureau. NFIMR is sponsoring a seventh national conference to share best practices of the growing number of new and continuing FIMR programs and to encourage FIMR programs to discuss the philosophy and purpose of FIMR to explore whether or not the process can address social, economic, gender and racial discrimination in the health care system. The NFIMR conference will:

- Increase the number of local, state and national maternal and child health professionals, advocates and consumers knowledgeable about the benefits of the evidence-based FIMR methodology
- Provide in-depth, expert training regarding the implementation of the FIMR methodology
- Demonstrate the value of adapting the FIMR methodology to other maternal and child health sentinel events at the national, state and local level
- Discuss possible strategies to incorporate the principles of the life course approach and the Best Babies Zone mission into the FIMR methodology
- Expand the capability of FIMR to achieve health equity through addressing issues related to social, economic, gender and racial discrimination in the health care system
- Provide an expanded forum to showcase successful local FIMR actions
- Celebrate the opportunities for FIMR to build partnerships with local providers, faith based initiatives, advocates and consumers, including federal Healthy Start Programs, local March of Dimes chapters, bereavement professionals and others.