

Integration of Community Into the Birthing Center: Shine on the QI-TRACS Detroit Experience —

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Are You on TRAC?

QI-TRACS Overview

What is QI- TRACS



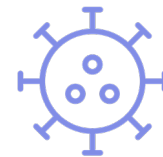
Work Together



Learn Together



Create Together



Heal Together

Hospital Community Task Force

True Collaboration

NICU Warrior Bags

Sinai-Grace HCTF





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Hand Expression Kits

Sinai-Grace HCTF

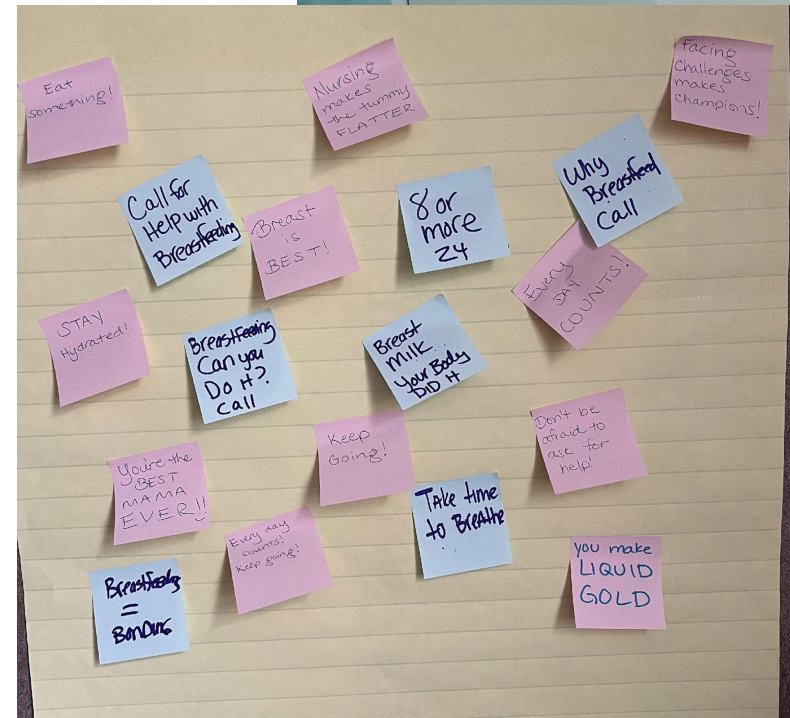
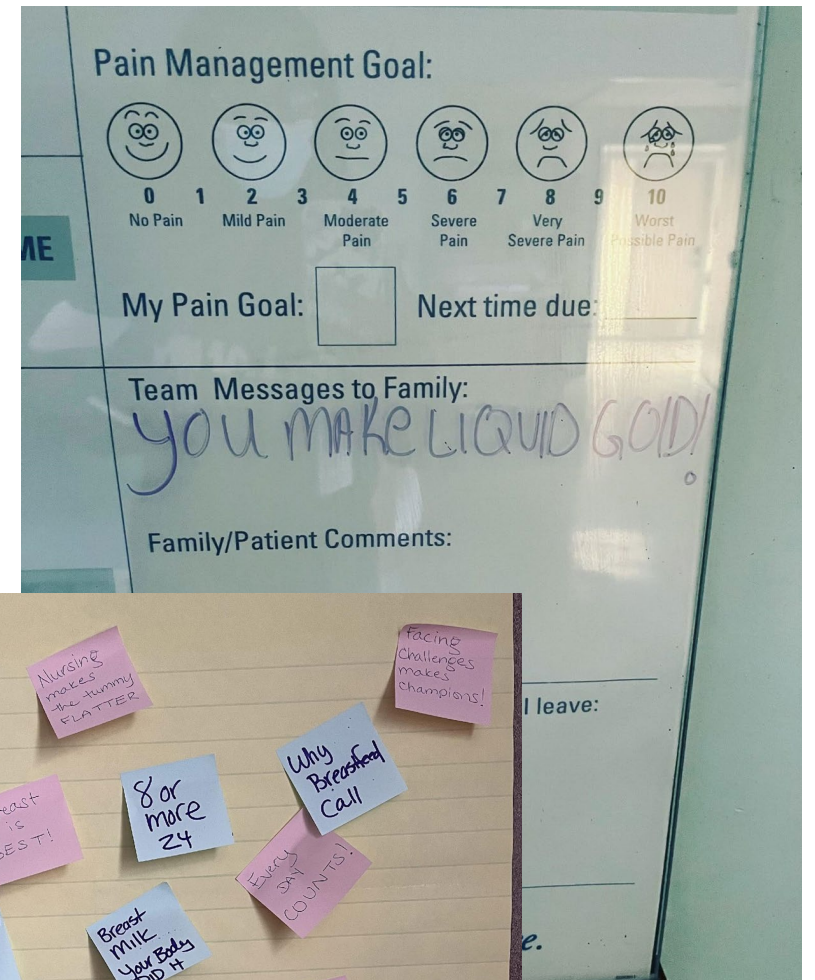




Hand Expression Kits

White Board Messaging

Sinai-Grace HCTF



A New Solution

The warm referral network



Co-created by QI-TRACS and
community partners



Community leader working in the
hospital system



Coordinated and formalized
discharge support



Racially congruent birth and
postpartum support

Warm referral network

Birth journey referral services Offered



Labor and Postpartum Doula
Services



Pregnancy and Postpartum
Lactation support (CLC & IBCLC)



Infant care and breastfeeding
supplies



Mental health services



Outpatient lactation support

Full circle care-Families are followed up with after 48 hours to ensure they have been contacted by organizations and have all the resources they need to be successful in their birth journey



Community experts integrated in the birthing center

The difference...



Community expert integration



This is process does not work
without



What are the community experts
doing?



Who are the community experts?



Trust between hospital staff and the community experts



Trust with the patients



Trust with the organizational partners

The difference...



Partnerships

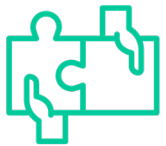
It takes a village!



Community Experts



State of Michigan: WIC



State of Michigan: Title V

The village
we have
~~created~~
amplified and
connected



Noble Nurture



Community Foundation of
Southeast Michigan



MAE

The village
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QI-TRACS DMC Projects

Created and Implemented by On Site Community Expert: Nyasia Countee

Sinai-Grace Outpatient Breastfeeding Clinic

Available for all patients delivering at Sinai-Grace



Patient Testimonials

Yes inside your postpartum book there are pictures of the different stages of poop. Let me know if you have any additional questions.

Good morning, I found myself reading that last night. I appreciate all the advice you have shared. Thanks again!!

You're welcome

Thank you so much I really appreciate everything you have done for me so far.



You're welcome and you will breastfeed your baby!

Sun, Oct 2 at 1:05 PM

Good Afternoon I wanted to let you know that I was able to get him on the boob this morning. It took some work but I was able to get the job done.

Sun, Oct 2 at 2:54 PM

I'm so proud of you

You got me crying

Keep going mama

Patient Testimonials

Breastfeeding is going pretty well. She still doesn't wanna latch onto the right boob but she feeds for abt 20 mins at a time.

I stand corrected she was just on both breast for close to 15 mins each

Awesome if you would like to schedule office follow up visit for next week we can. Keep trying different positions on right breast. I'm proud of you keep going!

Every drop is a gift to your baby

I'm glad I got him to latch on

Me too just keep it going! Whatever position you were successful in just duplicate that on the other side.

Sat, Oct 8 at 3:48 PM

Hey I just wanted to thank you again for connecting me with the right people to help me get him to breastfeed.

Pump QR Code

Created & implemented by: Nyasia Countee



Local Breastfeeding Resource List

Implemented by Nyasia Countee

Local Breastfeeding Support Resources

Community Breastfeeding Support

To scan the QR codes:

1. Open the camera on your smartphone.
2. Place the QR directly in the center of the camera and the link should appear on the screen. This link will take you to the video/website.



Ancient Wisdom Birth Services

Ancient Wisdom Birth Services Ancient Wisdom Birth Services makes childbirth better by providing childbirth education, professional labor, and lactation support. Providing-person and virtual support.



Southeast Michigan IBCLC's of Color (SEMI)

SEMI is a group of IBCLC's ensuring Southeast Michigan families of color receive access to equitable and skilled lactation support by bridging gaps in our community. Peer-to-peer, virtual & in-person support offered.



Black Mothers Breastfeeding Association (BMBFA)

BMBFA provides peer-to-peer support and breastfeeding education to families.



Mama's Mobile Milk (M3)

A Human Milk Transport services for Mothers separated from their baby, including but not limited to NICU separation.



Community Milk Depot

A Community Milk bank designed for families to utilize to receive donor milk when needed.

Hospital Based Breastfeeding Support



Breastfeeding Clinic

This Clinic is located in a local hospital and can assist with breastfeeding concerns and diagnosis and prescribe medications if needed. Does have an IBCLC and Dr. on staff.

Local WIC (Woman, Infant, Children) Support

WIC Warm Line

Call or text: (833) 649-4223 for breastfeeding support.

WIC After Hours Support

Call (313) 400-4551
M-F 4-8pm Sa & Su 8am-8pm

WIC Mommie's Café Breastfeeding Support Group

Call (313) 876-4555

The Detroit Medical Center Doula Initiative



DMC Doula Initiative



Doulas in the operating room



Doula Medicaid Training 101

First in Michigan!!

Created by: DMC Doula Lorenda Lewis!



A photograph of a pregnant woman sitting on a bed, wearing a white tank top and grey pants. She is smiling and looking down at her belly. A woman with dreadlocks, wearing a white t-shirt with the text 'DOULAS ARE LIFE', is standing behind her, supporting her back. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent white rounded rectangle containing the text 'Everyone deserves a Doula!'.

Everyone deserves a Doula!

So, what have we accomplished

Results

Results


Families Wrapped in Support

Between August 2022 and June 2023...

- 192** referrals to community-based birth and breastfeeding partners.
- 60** referrals made to WIC.
- 50%** of families who received community referrals increased the amount of human milk their babies received.

"I got all my questions answered, and I now feel confident on my breastfeeding journey."

- Family who received a community partner referral

A photograph of a pregnant woman sitting down, wearing a white t-shirt and grey pants. She is looking down at her belly. Another person, wearing a white t-shirt with the word 'LOULAS' and 'LIFE' visible, is standing behind her, supporting her back. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent white rounded rectangle containing text.

Decreasing disparities &
increasing black maternal infant
health outcomes is only possible
when the community and hospital
work in true partnership