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Moving Policy Forward to Support Birth Equity Legislative panel presentation

Building on progress and seizing this moment to partner for policy change to reduce racial disparities in maternal and infant outcomes

- Governor Whitmer has led Healthy Moms, Healthy Babies initiative at state level
 - Medicaid postpartum extension to 12 months
 - Home visiting focused on infants with substance exposure
 - Psychiatric consultation support for OB providers
 - Structural support for doula access
 - FY 24 asks include support for the MIAIM hospital safety bundles, CenteringPregnancy and the Perinatal Quality Collaborative as well as removing the 5-year waiting period for Medicaid and reinstating PlanFirst!
- MOMNIBUS bills at federal level
- Importance of hearing and honoring voices of those most impacted amplified by the work of community organizations to inform policy direction
- Partnership and collaboration on advocacy

Panel members from the Michigan State Senate



Senator Stephanie Chang (D)

District 3

parts of Macomb, Oakland and
Wayne counties

all of Hamtramck, Hazel Park, Highland Park,
Madison Heights and parts of Clawson, Detroit,
Royal Oak, Sterling Heights, Troy and Warren



Senator Erika Geiss (D)

District 1

part of Wayne County

all of Ecorse, Lincoln Park, Melvindale,
River Rouge and parts of Allen Park,
Detroit and Taylor

Panel members from the Michigan House of Representatives



Representative
Felicia Brabec (D)
District 33

portions of Washtenaw County, including parts of the city of Ann Arbor, Scio Township, York Township, Pittsfield Charter Township, and all of Bridgewater Township, Lodi Township, Saline Township, and Saline City.



Representative
Christine Morse (D)
District 40

portions of Kalamazoo County, including parts of the city of Portage and Kalamazoo and parts of the Townships of Oshtemo and Texas



Representative
Laurie Pohutsky (D)
District 17

portion of Wayne County including parts of Northwest Detroit, North Redford Charter Township and Northeast Livonia



Dialogue & Questions