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Education for providers re: treating people with SUD/ OUD

- DOH's ODSMP
 - For providers treating pregnant and parenting people with SUD/ OUD we are working with Quality Insights (our vendor who implements [existing opioid education](#) with prescribers) to create an education module focusing on treating pregnant/post-partum people. This training takes into account the [SAMHSA guidance](#). We are in the process of reviewing the materials they've created and anticipate training being available towards the end of 2022.
 - The SAMHSA guidance was offered as a training in fall 2020 through the DOH and trained 240 people. This training was done live as there were breakout groups and discussion involved.
 - Additional printed copies of the SAMHSA guidance, leftover from the fall 2020 training, were shared with DDAP who provided them to those who received the pregnancy support services grants and DOH shared additional copies with three local health departments working with ODSMP.
 - For social workers/children and youth services, ODSMP is expanding on the success of our [FR-ACT program](#) to create a training specific to social workers. This training covers stigma around SUD/ OUD, naloxone, and connection to treatment. We anticipate this training being available towards the end of 2022.
- From the PQC:
 - PQC and MDWISE: PA PQC Substance Affected Infant (SAI) Definition Work Group was formed to review the definition of "affected by" that is currently defined in the Plan of Safe Care (POSC) guidance. The "affected by" definition is used by health care providers to identify infants and families who are eligible for the development of a POSC. The workgroup has reviewed the "affected by" definition and will present findings and recommendations to improve clarity and operationalization of the definition to MDWISE.
 - POSC training: We are developing the modules based on the POSC training outline, and plan to use each monthly MDWISE Education Committee meeting to review at least one module per meeting. This timeline should align well with the timeline for the updated POSC guidance in case we need to make any changes to sync the training with the guidance. We liked how Texas created POSC modules online and we are using this as a guide/example in terms of how the end product could be organized <https://www.txsafebabies.org/posc/>.
 - The PA PQC Learning Session on 6/30 had a panel on the impact of stigma and how to breakdown stigma (see recording here from 50:55 to 01:46:30, https://us06web.zoom.us/rec/play/rD8INUCFtOZHQ9slbX0aiOdZVF_MDEggPim8-SVXTwQHD). We are planning to create a YouTube video of this and then push it out to the PQC as an education/training resource. Parts of Dr. Terplan's presentations to the PA PQC included patient-centered strategies to prevent stigma as well and validated surveys to assess/track staffs' and providers' stigma related to SUD/ OUD in pregnancy. As a starting point, we could package all of these materials into PA PQC resource list on how to reduce stigma. We are considering separate, supplemental trainings on how to reduce stigma as well.
- Child Welfare Information Gateway – this website has a lot of great resources, including training videos

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- <https://www.childwelfare.gov/topics/systemwide/bhw/impact-substance/opioid-crisis/>

Data

- Opioid Data Dashboard: Impact on Children and Families page <https://data.pa.gov/stories/s/D2-IMFC-AP/5jbf-sr7p/>
- The [2020 NAS REPORT.pdf \(pa.gov\)](#) report from DOH was published recently in late August 2022. NAS reports from previous years can be found here: <https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/programs/Newborn-Screening/Pages/NAS.aspx>.
 - I want to highlight a few pieces of data for this group based on the discussion at the August meeting:
 - **Table 5.** Select maternal characteristics of birthing people with a newborn with neonatal abstinence syndrome (NAS) as compared to Pennsylvania resident live births
 - **Table 6.** Initiation of prenatal care and receipt of medication assisted treatment during pregnancy among birthing people with a newborn with neonatal abstinence syndrome (NAS)
 - **Table 7.** Initiation of prenatal care and receipt of medication assisted treatment during pregnancy among birthing people with a newborn with neonatal abstinence syndrome (NAS) stratified by maternal race/ethnicity
 - **Table 8.** Select characteristics of birthing people with a newborn reported to the neonatal abstinence syndrome (NAS) surveillance system in 2020 and a prior birth to a newborn with NAS between 2018-2019 as compared to characteristics of birthing people with no prior birth to a newborn with NAS during that period
 - **Table 13.** Characteristics of discharge plan and referrals among newborns with neonatal abstinence syndrome (NAS)
 - **Table 14.** Characteristics of maternal discharge plan and referrals among birthing people with a newborn with neonatal abstinence syndrome (NAS)
 - Research Articles
 - [Five-Year Outcomes Among Medicaid-Enrolled Children With In Utero Opioid Exposure \(Pennsylvania\)](#)
 - [Explaining Racial-ethnic Disparities in the Receipt of Medication for Opioid Use Disorder During Pregnancy.](#) (Pennsylvania)
 - [Association of Duration of Methadone or Buprenorphine Use During Pregnancy With Risk of Nonfatal Drug Overdose Among Pregnant Persons With Opioid Use Disorder in the US](#) (US)
 - [The effects of parental opioid use on the parent–child relationship and children’s developmental and behavioral outcomes: a systematic review of published reports](#)
 - [Dynamics of Parental Opioid Use and Children's Health and Well-Being: An Integrative Systems Mapping Approach](#)
 - Having a parent with a SUD is considered an Adverse Childhood Experience (ACE). Sharing the DOH’s most recent report on ACEs. Page 9 includes recommendations on how to combat ACEs
 - <https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/HealthStatistics/BehavioralStatistics/InjuryStatistics/Documents/ACE%20Report%202019.pdf>

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I wanted to share that I found this database on AMCHP's website on [maternal health innovations](#) in policies and programs at AMCHP. There are several programs related to SUD, and 1 policy related to this topic. The policy is from New Mexico (A non-punitive approach to substance use in pregnancy) and may be of interest to this group: https://amchp.org/database_entry/non-punitive-approach-to-substance-use-in-pregnancy-2/.