

# KBEN Training: Update & Resources

8.22 Learning Forum

# KANSAS BIRTH EQUITY NETWORK BIRTH EQUITY CURRICULUM!

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# Mission and Visions

## Mission

To use a community centered approach to create solutions that improve Black maternal, paternal, and infant health in Kansas through training, research, healthcare, and advocacy

## • Vision

- a. KBEN Vision : Every Black mom, dad, and infant receive quality and intentional prenatal, neonatal, and postpartum care in the state of Kansas
- a. CD366 Vision: ***Every Black birthing person, dad, partner, and baby celebrates the baby's first birthday***



# BIRTH EQUITY TRAINING

- **Purpose:**
  - Provide an overview of Black maternal health and the need for birth equity.
  - Gain understanding of the various factors that contribute to African American maternal and infant health and the mechanisms that aid in obtaining equity.
  - The achievement of this understanding will come from African American women and their birth stories, public health field experts, community advocates, and current health data.

# AGENDA

- Check In
  - Modules 4, 5, 6
- Discussion
  - Kari Smith
- Action Items
- Questions/Comments

<b>Module</b>	<b>Title</b>
1	Introduction
2	The Need for Birth Equity
3	Community Engagement
4	The Uncomfortable Truth of Bias
5	The Black Postpartum Experience
6	Respectful Maternal Care

## MODULE 5 – THE BLACK POSTPARTUM EXPERIENCE

In this module, you heard from experts on maternal mental health, efforts to support Black breastfeeding in Wyandotte County, & from a doula on her experiences and efforts to provide postpartum support.

What can you/your organization do to improve postpartum support for the families you take care of?

[Respond at pollev.com/oobi](https://pollev.com/oobi)

# MODULE 6 – RESPECTFUL MATERNAL CARE

In this module, you learned about the Stop, Look, Listen, & Think Campaign informed by community members in the Kansas Birth Equity Network.

- In what ways can you encourage your organization to Stop, Look, Listen, & Think to ensure respectful maternal care?
  - *Respond at [pollev.com/oobi](https://pollev.com/oobi)*

## RESPECTFUL MATERNAL CARE

### Stop, Look, Listen, & Think

A campaign by the Kansas Birth Equity Network



#### STOP

Stop focusing on the routine of care. If a birthing person says they do not feel well or believes that something is wrong, believe them.



#### LOOK

Conduct an examination or evaluation to identify & treat the problem. Continuously communicate with the birthing person and their advocate.



#### LISTEN

Listen to the birthing person & their advocate. Do not simply consider complaints as a usual part of pregnancy & birth.



#### THINK

What you would want your provider to do if you were receiving care? What can you do to prevent the problem from getting worse?





# CONGRATULATIONS!

## Curriculum Completions

- Kari Smith
- Katie Kufahl
- Kayla Schroeder
- Chelsea James
- Jessica Seib
- Brenda Blankenship
- Dana Deters
- Melissa "Missy" Mourek
- Kimberley Brey
- Kimberlee Dick

## In-Progress

- Jessica Gier
- Taylor Bertschy
- Toni Carter
- Emily Hester
- Jessica Wasson
- Kristin Perez

PRESENT

Kevin Dedner  
M.P.H

r. Dana-Ain Davis  
M.P.H, Ph. D.

Parent Panel

Before the summit,  
join us for the



SCAN TO REGISTER FOR FREE!

# BIRTH EQUITY SUMMIT

**September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**9am – 12:30pm**

**In-Person & Online**

**Free to attend!**

**Register:** <https://cvent.me/2OWYw1>



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# COVID-19 & PREGNANCY

## COVID-19 Vaccination & Pregnancy



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To find a vaccine near you:



**Protect your baby.**  
If you are vaccinated during pregnancy, your baby will be protected for the first six months of life from COVID-19

**Protect your family.**  
Evidence has shown that fully vaccinated individuals carry the virus for less time, reducing the risk transmission to family members

**Protect yourself.**  
Contracting COVID-19 while pregnant can increase the risk of severe illness including hospitalization and use of a ventilator

## COVID-19 Vaccination & Pregnancy



- Over 200,000 pregnant people have safely received an mRNA vaccine with no concerns.
- COVID-19 mRNA vaccines (Moderna & Pfizer) do not contain live virus and will not make you sick with COVID-19.
- Pregnant people have reported no additional vaccine side effects than those who are not pregnant. The most common side effects include injection site reactions, fatigue, and chills.
- Vaccination during pregnancy can help protect babies younger than 6 months from COVID-19.

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**Developed with community members & stakeholders in KBEN.**

If this is helpful for your patient population, please let us know. We are happy to mail printed copies.

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS