



NJMCQC Meeting Notes – June 28, 2022

*Attendance:*

Meeting Participant Type	Meeting Participant
<b>Ex-Officio</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deputy Commissioner Dr. David Adinaro</li> <li>• Robin Ford</li> <li>• Vineeta Kapahi [<i>Designee for Sarah Adelman</i>]</li> <li>• Amanda Medina-Forrester</li> </ul>
<b>Public NJMCQC Members</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stuart Altschuler</li> <li>• Jenice Baker</li> <li>• Cathy Bennett</li> <li>• Julie Blumenfeld</li> <li>• Marilyn Cintron</li> <li>• Robyn D'Oria</li> <li>• Vu-Ann Foster</li> <li>• Helen Hannigan</li> <li>• Keri Logosso-Misurell</li> <li>• Jaye Madden-Wilson</li> <li>• Mary McTigue</li> <li>• Myriam Mondestin-Sorrentino</li> <li>• Rahbbee Norton-Lee</li> <li>• Hetal Patel</li> <li>• Linda Schwimmer</li> <li>• Geeta Sehgal</li> <li>• Interim Assistant Commissioner Nancy Scotto-Rosato</li> <li>• Suzanne Sernal</li> <li>• Thomas Westover</li> </ul>

<b>NJDOH Staff</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Abiola Animashaun-Amutah</li> <li>• Katrina Bowens</li> <li>• Damali Campbell</li> <li>• Lisa D’Amico</li> <li>• Renee Kraus</li> <li>• Theresa Lewis</li> <li>• Mildred Mendez</li> <li>• Dee Reed</li> <li>• Bari Simpkins</li> <li>• Carly Slutzky</li> <li>• Brandie Wooding</li> </ul>
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<b>Others</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dom Argento</li> <li>• Sarah Bilyj</li> <li>• Pam Brug</li> <li>• Pyetra Camargo</li> <li>• Christina Cartisano</li> <li>• Upjeet Chandan</li> <li>• Kate Clark</li> <li>• Bethany Cole</li> <li>• Joshua De Pena</li> <li>• James E. Dills</li> <li>• Larry Downs</li> <li>• Robyn Jones</li> <li>• Tajma Kotoric</li> <li>• Lauren Lalicon</li> <li>• Shin-yi Lin</li> <li>• Jackie Lydon</li> <li>• Marcela Maziarz</li> <li>• Shannon McGee</li> <li>• Kaylee McGuire</li> <li>• Kacie McLaughlin</li> <li>• Becca McNeil</li> <li>• Kaitlyn Meirs</li> <li>• Elise Memmo</li> <li>• First Lady Tammy Murphy</li> <li>• Maddy Pena</li> <li>• Adelisa Perez-Hudgins</li> <li>• Commissioner Judith Persichilli</li> <li>• Trashaun Powell</li> </ul>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kareena Sagar</li> <li>• Magda Schaler-Haynes</li> <li>• Jonathon Teters</li> <li>• Pam Tew</li> <li>• Pauline Thomas</li> <li>• Polly Thomas</li> <li>• Carolyn Thompson</li> </ul>
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*Annotated Agenda*

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<b>Welcome</b>	Tameko Webster, MHI Team Executive Director	The new MHI Executive Director Tameko Webster opened the meeting at 10:02 am.
<b>Roll Call</b>	Brandie Wooding, NJMCQC Nurse Consultant and Interim Executive Director	Began roll call at 10:05 am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 19 members in attendance at the time of the roll call (10:06 am).</li> <li>• A designee for Sarah Adelman was in attendance.</li> </ul>
<b>Call to Order</b>	NJMCQC Project Manager, Abiola Animashaun-Amutah	Call to Order <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Confirmed that we established a quorum at 10:17 am.</li> </ul>
<b>Housekeeping Rules</b>	Tameko Webster, MHI Team Executive Director	Tameko Webster reviewed the meeting housekeeping rules at 10:18 am and introduced First Lady Tammy Murphy and NJDOH Commissioner Judith Persichilli
<b>Celebrating One Year: NJMCQC Recap Opening Comments</b>	First Lady Tammy Snyder Murphy and NJDOH Commissioner Judith Persichilli	First Lady Tammy Murphy and Commissioner Judith Persichilli gave their remarks celebrating the one-year anniversary of the NJMCQC.

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<b>Agenda Review</b>	NJMCQC Project Manager, Abiola Animashaun-Amutah	<p>Agenda Review</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Starting at 10:28 am, Abiola summarized the formal business to be addressed during the meeting, as well as other topics to be discussed. Formal business included approving the March 2022 meeting minutes. Other meeting topics will include updates from the MHI team, and the New Jersey Maternal Mortality Review Committee (NJMMRC). We will also have a brief public comment period.</li> </ul>
<b>Formal NJMCQC Business to Review (Approvals of March 2022 meeting minutes)</b>	Dr. Julie Blumenfeld	<p>Formal NJMCQC Business Review began at 10:29am</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval of March 2022 MCQC meeting minutes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No content changes were suggested.</li> <li>Julie requested a motion to approve the minutes at 10:20. Helen Hannigan moved to approve. Suzanne Sernal seconded the motion.</li> <li>17 NJMCQC members in attendance approved the March 2022 notes at 10:34 am.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Updates from the MHI Team</b>	Tameko Webster, MHI Team Executive Director	<p>Starting at 10:34 am, Executive Director Webster presented on Maternal Health Innovation updates and progress made to date for the Shared Decision Making Pilot and the Project ECHO Training Series.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Thanked the MHI team, Dr. Campbell, and HRSA for their work and support to date. Congratulated MCQC task force for their one-year anniversary.</li> <li>Ariadne Labs, NJDOH, and NJHCQI have partnered for the 1-year pilot of shared decision making tools. The tools were developed by a handful of MCQC members and an advisory board. The tools were piloted in three hospitals across the state: Virtua Vorhees Hospital, Monmouth Medical Center, and Cooper Barnabas.</li> <li>MHI Project ECHO to date has hosted 11</li> </ul>

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		<p>sessions with a total of 600 attendees. It will continue through September 2022.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Scan the QR code to learn more about the series. Dr. Campbell messaged in the chat that “It is not too late to register for the ECHO series. It is a great informative session. Consider joining us and sharing with your colleagues.”</li> <li>● Acknowledged the four NJMCQC workgroups (Continued strategic planning, shared decision making, increasing access to long-acting reproductive contraceptives (LARCs), and noted that we will reengage the workgroups in the coming weeks.</li> </ul> <p><i>No official business was discussed during this portion of the meeting</i></p>
<p><b>Updates from the New Jersey Maternal Mortality Review Committee (NJMMRC)</b></p>	<p>Renee Kraus, NJMMRC Project Manager</p>	<p>Renee Kraus presented on the findings from the 2016-2018 NJMMRC data report starting at 10:43am.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Renee added a link to the MMRC committee decisions form in the chat to share how causes of death are categorized: <a href="https://reviewtoaction.org/sites/default/files/2021-04/mmria-form-v21-fillable_0.pdf">https://reviewtoaction.org/sites/default/files/2021-04/mmria-form-v21-fillable_0.pdf</a></li> <li>● Stuart Altschuler asked whether the MMRC data was available at a more granular level, such as by county, municipality. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Renee responded that the challenge with presenting data at a more granular level is that the three NJ regions are very heterogeneous and we do not have large enough total deaths to report more specific numbers.</li> <li>○ We can consider aggregate more than 3 years of data to enable</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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		<p>reporting of more granular data. Morbidity data can already be reviewed at a more granular level because there are more data; morbidity data align with what we see for mortality.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We will begin reviewing 2020 deaths in the upcoming July MMRC meeting. We have started informant interviews and are excited to see how that data impacts review and results in more complex and detailed recommendations.</li> <li>• Dr. Mondestin asked about next steps for addressing cardiovascular disease as a leading cause of death, specifically the role of obesity. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ During the review of 2016-2018 cases, the CDC started encouraging MMRC's to indicate whether obesity contributed to the death.</li> <li>○ Additional discussion focused on best indicators of obesity such as BMI and reconsidering how we measure obesity given heterogeneity among patients.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Please send more questions about the report if you have them.</li> </ul> <p><i>No official business was discussed during this portion of the meeting.</i></p>
<b>Public Comment</b>	Ms. Vu-An Foster	<p>The public comment portion of the meeting started at 10:56am.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vu-An provided brief instructions for making a comment or asking a question about NJMCQC and upcoming activities.</li> <li>• No comments were made.</li> </ul> <p><i>No official business was discussed during this portion of the meeting.</i></p>

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<b>Meeting Next Steps and Adjournment</b>	Ms. Vu-An Foster	Vu-An discussed next steps and upcoming meeting dates at 10:58am before adjourning the meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vu Ann requested a motion to adjourn. Robyn D’Oria motioned, followed by Jaye Wilson who seconded the motion.</li> <li>• The meeting was adjourned at 10:59am.</li> </ul>