2023 NH MMRC Recommendations, Interventions, and Current Progress

The following recommendations are the result of the NH MMRC's comprehensive and multidisciplinary review of the five pregnancy-associated deaths recorded in New Hampshire in 2023. The NH MMRC uses a standardized Committee Decisions process utilized by maternal mortality review committees nationally to identify underlying cause of death, contributing factors, preventability, and actionable recommendations. These recommendations are disseminated to partner organizations in public health, healthcare, and community organizations.

	Recommendations for 2023 Cases	Status
1	NNEPQIN to create proposal for implementation of Peer Support liaisons in perinatal settings and emergency departments by September 2025	In progress
2	NNEPQIN will collaborate with JSI to identify addiction/SUD family support programs and present findings to the Perinatal Substance Exposure Collaborative and invite MMRC members to attend by June 2025.	In progress
3	DH Perinatal Outreach Nurse to coordinate an educational session for the MMRC on the medical evaluation expectations within different levels of correctional institutions in New Hampshire by March 2025	Scheduled for March 2025
4	NH DHHS Perinatal Nurse Consultant and DH Perinatal Outreach Nurse MMRC Abstractor to meet with New Hampshire Hospital Associations (NHHA) to develop MMRC communication strategy for family interviews by March 2025.	In progress
5	NH DHHS Perinatal Nurse Consultant to request information for DHHS Joint Fatality Review coordinators to understand other key informant interview processes in place, assessing feasibility of texting service, and ensuring availability of interpretation services for key informant interviews by March 2025.	In progress
6	NNEPQIN to provide staff education about access to OUD treatment by Nov 2026.	In progress
7	NNEPQIN and relevant MCH Grantees will provide Perinatal Mental Health & Suicide screening, interventions and documentation education to all healthcare settings and wrap-around services/programs involved in perinatal care starting prenatally through 1 year postpartum starting in March 2026.	In progress
8	NNEPQIN creates proposal for implementation of Peer Support liaisons within the Perinatal settings and Emergency Departments by September 2025	In progress