

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Integrated Maternal Health Service Program

Comagine Health is partnering with the Kirk Kerkorian School of Medicine, the UNLV Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, and the UNLV School of Public Health to improve maternity care for pregnant people in Clark County, Nevada. Together, we will integrate the Maternity Medical Home (MMH) model with the Southern Nevada Pathways Community HUB (SNPCH) to provide a comprehensive and culturally responsive program that addresses the gaps and care silos that currently exist.

The aim of this integration is to increase entry into prenatal care in the first trimester by creating a centralized "no wrong door" approach.

What is the Maternity Medical Home Model?

The Maternity Medical Home (MMH) is based on the Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH) approach. The MMH incorporates seven key elements, including a personal physician, a physician-led medical practice, a focus on the whole person, coordinated and integrated care, a focus on quality and safety, enhanced access to care and recognition of the model's value to patients through payment.

What is the Southern Nevada Pathways Community Hub?

The Pathways Community HUB Institute® (PCHI) Model is an evidence-based approach that addresses social factors that affect health. This model expands the delivery system to include community-based community health workers (CHWs) and uses an outcomes-oriented framework. The SNPCH provides the necessary infrastructure to support the expansion of the health care delivery system by incorporating community-based CHWs and utilizing an outcomes-oriented framework.

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Our Collaborative Partners

Clinical Partners	Kirk Kerkorian School of Medicine (KSOM) at University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) Gynecologic Surgery & Obstetrics Department, Women's Healthcare Associates of Southern Nevada (WHASN)
CCAs (Care Coordination Agencies)	Dignity Health, Southern Nevada Health District Primary & Preventive Care Division, Nevada Health Centers
Aligning Partners and Consultants	UNLV School of Public Health, Nevada Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Alliance for Innovation in Maternal Health (AIM) Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems (ECCS), Pathways Community HUB Institute (PCHI®), Minority Health Consultants

Phase 1: Design

Key Activities:

- Establish the Integrated Maternal Health Services (IMHS) Design Team and Community Advisory Council to develop and advise on all phases of the demonstration program.
- Convene the Design Team to develop key outputs for the pilot:
  - Set of shared guidelines for standardized screening, care coordination and referrals for specialized care and support services to address clinical, ancillary, behavioral health and social/support needs, clinical and community care roles, and multidirection communication to support the shared goal of early identification and retention in care up to one year post-partum.
  - Workflows for multidirectional communication, coordination and data exchange processes between the provider care teams, SNPCH, the CCAs and hospitals.
  - A set of standardized care paths that target common risk factors for poor birth outcomes and ensure that each pregnant person receives all recommended care as well as integration of services to address health-related social needs.

Phase 2: Pilot

Key Activities:

- Enroll and serve at least 200 pregnant people using the model developed during the design phase.
- Identify and document improvements to prepare the model for scale-up and spread to other communities in Nevada.
- Begin development of a learning collaborative curriculum in anticipation of Phase 3.

Phase 3: Scale Up and Spread

Key Activities:

- Facilitate learning collaboratives to cross-train other OB providers, primary care teams and CHWs in implementing it within their care settings.
- Engage health plans in aligning incentives with desired behaviors that reduce expensive complications and expand the capacity of the IMHS model.

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