



NNEPQIN

Northern New England
Perinatal Quality Improvement Network

— A Dartmouth Health Program —



NNEPQIN Spring Conference

Designing Strategies to Improve Perinatal Outcomes in Northern New England



May 28, 2026 (8:45 am – 4:00 pm)



[Virtual Live Stream](#) from Lebanon, NH



Free

Thursday May 28, 2026

8:45am

Welcome & Opening Remarks

Julie Bosak, DrPH, CNM, MSN, NNEPQIN Executive Director, Lebanon, NH

WebEx information from 8:45-11:45am: [Join from this link](#)

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9:00

Landscape of Obstetrics in Rural Health

Brock Slabach, MPH, FACHE, Chief Operations Officer (COO), National Rural Health Association, Leawood, KS

10:00

CPT 2027 - Maternity Care Services – Coding Restructure

Tammy Love, MSHI, RHIA, CCS, CDIP, Director Coding Classification and Policy, American Hospital Association, Washington, DC

10:30

Break

10:45

Leading the Charge: Enhancing Revenue Through Appropriate Charges and Leveling of Care?

Meaghan Smith MSN, RNC-OB, C-EFM Director of the Family Birth Center Maine Medical Center – Portland, Portland, ME

11:45

Lunch Break

12:45pm

Bereavement Support at UVMMC

Amelie Thurston, RN, Clinical Nurse Educator, University of Vermont Medical Center, Burlington, VT

Andrea “Andie” Corley, BSN, RN, Nurse Educator, Nursing Professional Development Practitioner, University of Vermont Medical Center, Burlington, VT

Chelsea Hendrickson, CMA II, Bereavement Doula, University of Vermont Medical Center, Burlington, VT

Marti Churchill, CNM, Lead Midwife, University of Vermont Medical Center, Burlington, VT

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From Pregnancy to Primary Care: Advancing Awareness, Screening, and Systems of Care for Prenatal Alcohol Exposure and FASD*Kristen Eriksen, RN, Family Navigator at FASD United, Caregiver Navigator at MassFASD, FASD United, MassFASD at IHR, Waltham, MA**Marinell Newton, LICSW, Social Worker, Vermont Department of Health, Children with Special Health Needs, Waterbury, VT*
Mei Elansary, MD, MPhil, Professor of Pediatrics, Boston Medical Center, Boston, MA

2:45

Break

3:00

A Hard Time to be a Human (especially working with other humans!)*Charity Bell, MPA, Founder, Relentless Positivity, Hollis, NH*

4:00

Wrap Up

LEARNING OBJECTIVE: At the conclusion of this activity, learners will be able to describe at least two innovative strategies to improve pregnant, postpartum and neonatal outcomes.

ACCREDITATION

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