

Session #5:

Aligning State Medicaid Initiatives with Midwifery-Led Models of Care

The Institute for Medicaid Innovation, in partnership with the Center for Health Care Strategies, developed a [virtual learning series](#) that provided a roadmap to explore implementation of midwifery-led models of care in Medicaid. The [eight-part series](#) focused on CNM/CMs and freestanding birth centers.

Session #5: Learning Objectives

1. Identify how state Medicaid agencies have leveraged their state's Medicaid contract procurement process and/or statewide maternal health efforts to improve health outcomes and equity and increase access to the midwifery-led models of care.
2. Identify how states and other Medicaid stakeholders can respond to emergent needs, such as the pandemic, to increase access and coverage to midwifery-led models of care, how it has impacted care and outcomes, and what steps might be taken to explore extending changes after the emergency.
3. Learn how statewide coalitions have leveraged philanthropic funding to support the development of evidence and political momentum to influence maternal health policies.

Session #5 Panel:

Moderator:

Jennifer E. Moore, PhD, RN, FAAN, Institute for Medicaid Innovation

Panelists:

Nan Strauss, JD, Every Mother Counts

Stephanie Teleki, PhD, MPH, California Health Care Foundation

Pamela Riley, MD, MPH, Department of Health Care Finance, Government of the District of Columbia

Session #5 Resources:

[Speaker Bios](#)

[Presentation Slides](#)

[Archived Session Recording](#)

[Session Q & A](#)

[IMI Report on Improving Maternal Health Access, Coverage, and Outcomes in Medicaid](#)

Session #5: Pre-Session Required Activities (55 Minutes)

Before watching the archived session recording, we recommend completing the following activities. The activities are intended to create a shared foundation of knowledge upon which each session will build.

READ: (10 Minutes) [Improving Maternal Health Access, Coverage, and Outcomes in Medicaid](#) pages 41-45, 51-56, 63-66, & 69.

EXPLORE: (10 Minutes) [California Birth Equity Collaborative: Improving Care, Experiences and Outcomes for Black Mothers](#)

READ (5 Minutes): [First Lady Tammy Murphy and New Jersey Department of Human Services Announce New Medicaid Initiatives to Help Improve Maternal & Infant Health](#)

READ (5 Minutes): [Birthing A Movement To Reduce Unnecessary C-Sections: An Update From California](#)

EXPLORE: (10 Minutes) [Secretary to the Governor Melissa DeRosa Issues Report to Governor Cuomo Outlining the COVID-19 Maternity Task Force's Initial Recommendations](#)

READ (15 Minutes): [Maximizing Midwifery to Achieve High-Value Maternity Care in New York](#)

Session #5: Supplemental Resources (2 Hours and 28 Minutes)

EXPLORE: (10 Minutes) [Reducing Unnecessary C-Sections in California](#)

WATCH (58 Minutes): [Influencing Medicaid Managed Care and Other Payer Contracts](#)

WATCH (80 Minutes): [Birthing and Child Health Forum: A Community Effort \(DC\)](#)

