

Session 1:

High-Value, Evidence-Based Maternal Models of Care and Birth Equity

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 who practice in hospitals, alongside and freestanding birth centers.

Session 1: Learning Objectives

1. Identify the elements of midwifery-led care and practice settings as well as associated clinical outcomes.
2. Identify the health care structures, economics, and evidence that influence the uptake of midwifery-led care in the U.S.
3. Identify the interconnectedness between systemic racism, COVID-19, and birth equity.

Session 1: Agenda

Introduction to High-Value, Evidence-Based Maternal Models of Care

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Evidence in Support of Midwifery-Led Care

Eugene Declercq, PhD, LCCE, *Boston University*

Birth Equity within the Context of COVID-19 & Structural Racism

Joia Crear-Perry, MD, FACOG, *National Birth Equity Collaborative*

Session 1: Pre-Session Activities (67 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: (15 Minutes) [Improving Maternal Health Access, Coverage, and Outcomes in Medicaid](#), pages 1-24 and 75.

WATCH: (6 Minutes) [The Culture War between Doctors and Midwives, Explained](#)

READ: (10 Minutes) [Medicaid 101](#)

READ/WATCH: (10 Minutes) [Medicare v. Medicaid: What's the Difference?](#)

EXPLORE: (10 Minutes) [Birth by the Numbers](#)

WATCH: (11 Minutes) [Memphis Midwives Work to Address Racial Disparities in Care](#)

EXPLORE: (5 Minutes) [National Birth Equity Collaborative](#)

Session 1: Supplemental Resources (60 Minutes)

WATCH: (20 Minutes) [Birth by the Numbers: The Update](#)

WATCH: (10 Minutes) [The U.S. Medical System is Still Haunted by Slavery](#)

READ: (10 Minutes) [Broadening The Focus During Pregnancy To Total Women's Health, Not Just Healthy Babies](#)

READ: (20 Minutes) [Beyond Medicalization: Midwives & Maternity Care in America](#)

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