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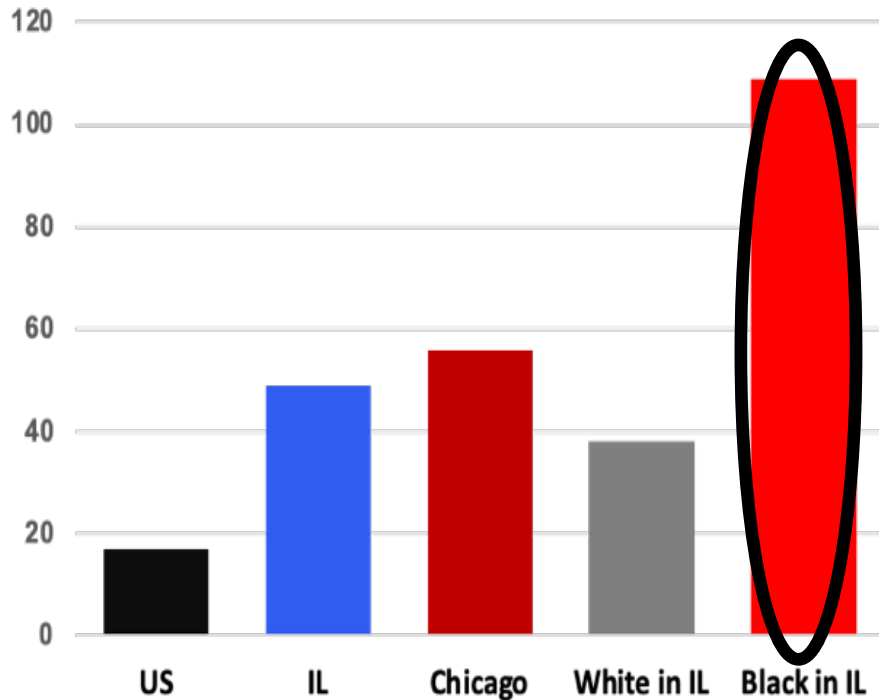
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STAMPP-HTN **Systematic Treatment And** **Management of** **Postpartum Hypertension**

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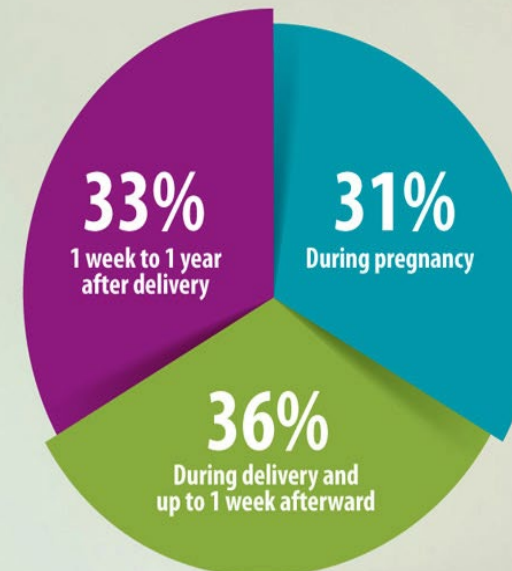
PAMR in US and IL



The Pregnancy-related maternal mortality ratio (PAMR; the number of deaths that occurred for every 100,000 live births) is higher in Illinois compared to the US and is even higher among African American women in Illinois (IL).

CDC 2019

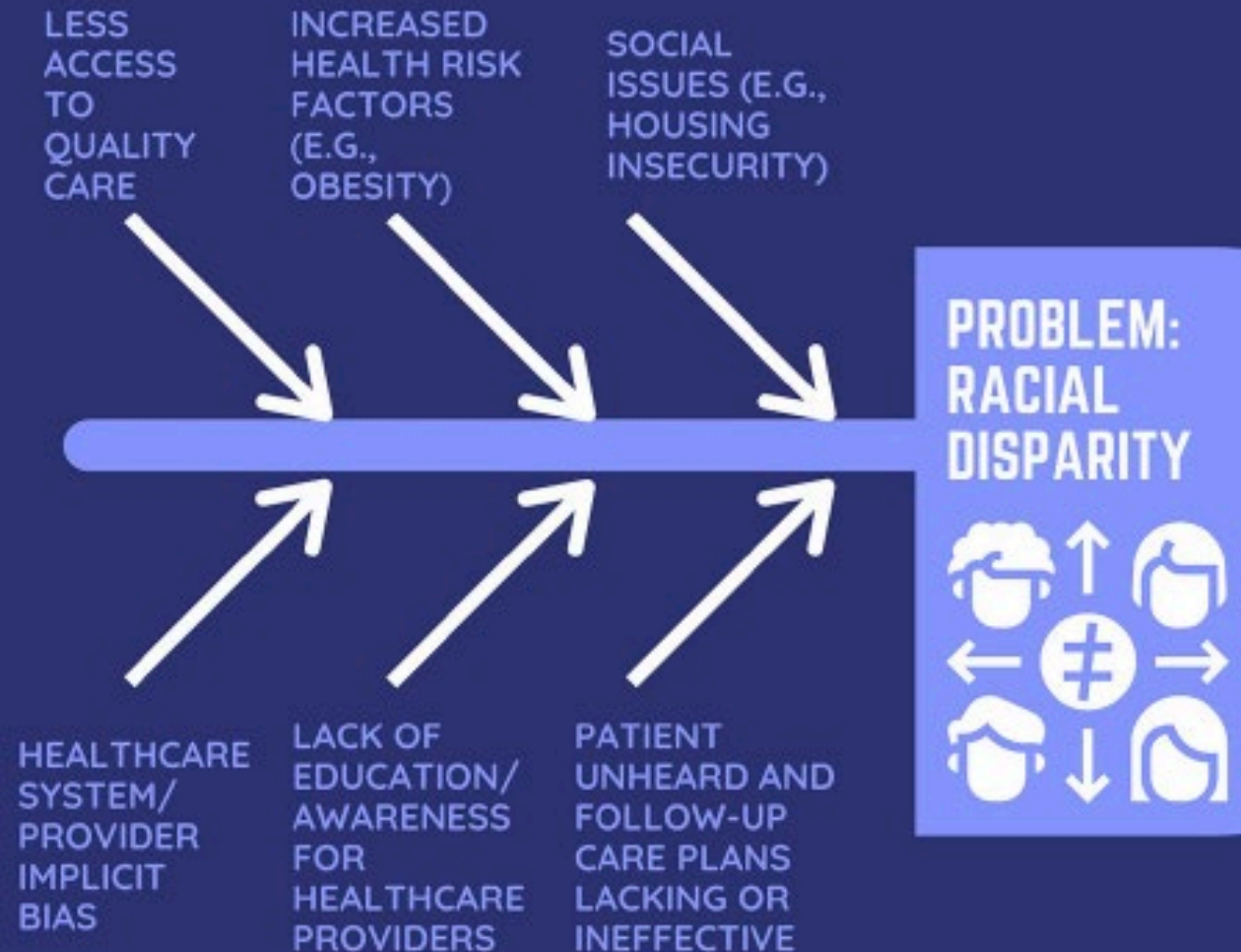
Death can happen up to a year after delivery.



Multifactorial nature of disparities in hypertensive disorders of pregnancy

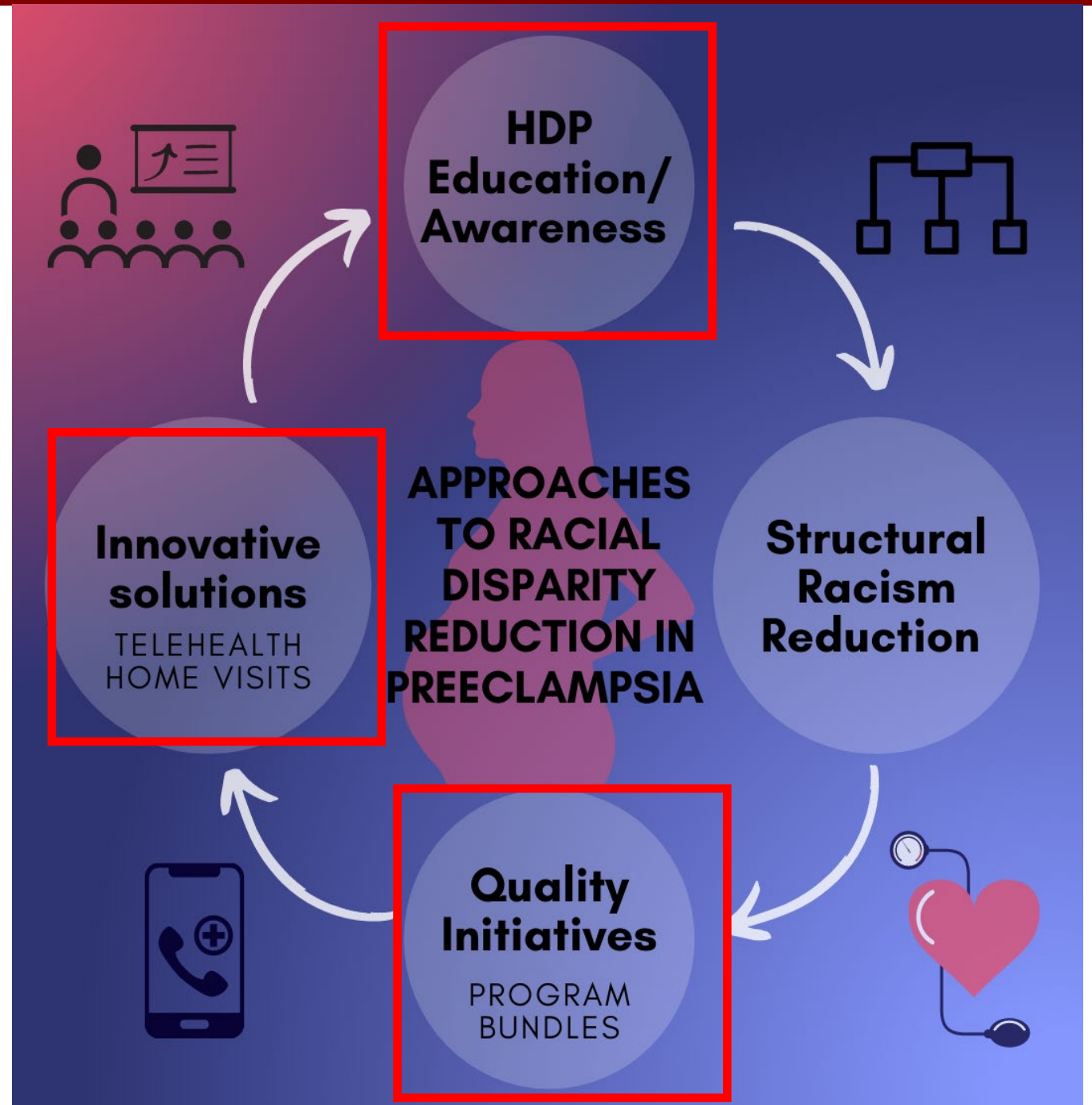
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CONTRIBUTORS TO RACIAL DISPARITY IN HYPERTENSIVE DISORDERS OF PREGNANCY



Approach to racial disparity reduction in hypertensive disorders of pregnancy

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Problems at the level of the hospital

➤ At the time of admission and discharge

- » General lack of knowledge among patients about the long-term effects of preeclampsia
- » No organized effort to educate patients
- » Discharge instructions are not universally given
- » No dedicated postpartum clinic for easy access to care

➤ Problems with readmissions in ED

- » Identifying postpartum patients
- » Poor knowledge about the definition of PPHTN
- » Calling medicine or cardiology instead of OB
- » Delayed transfer to L/D
- » Delay in recognition and treatment of severe PPHTN

➤ No standardized management for readmissions for PPHTN





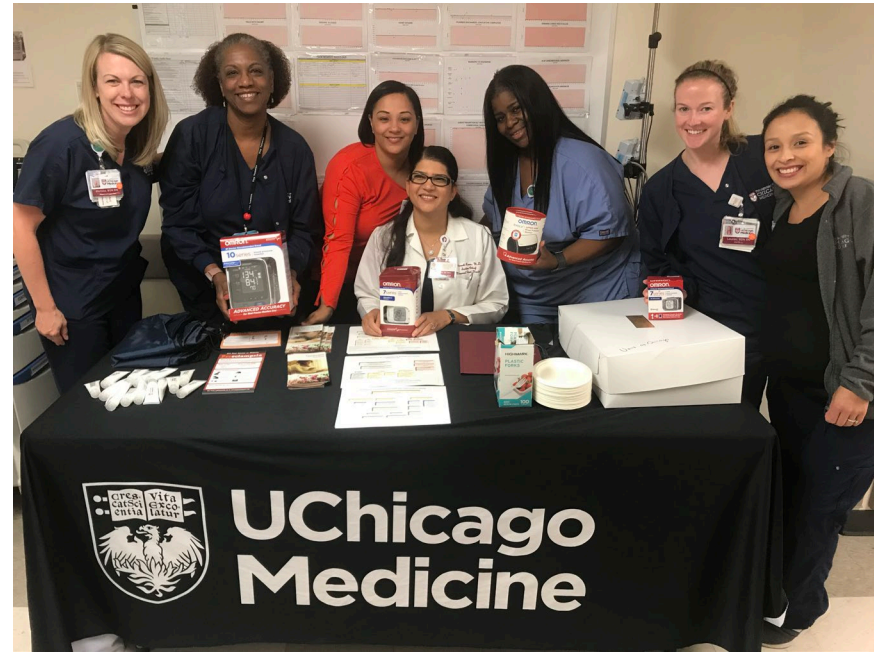
STAMPP HTN team

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- Sunitha Suresh- Fellow
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- Sanela Aldelija- Fellow
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Commitment to quality improvement *STAMPP HTN*

Goals

- Improve knowledge among providers and patients
- Appropriate and timely management of HTN
- Improve rates of PP follow up
- Reduced rates HTN related complications
- Appropriate management of readmissions for HTN
- Improve long term BP control
- Follow up with cardiology



STAMPP-HTN Clinician Buy-In and Procedures

FBC Video – Care network

Nursing – FBC

- Tear pad
- Written instructions
- Bracelets
- BP cuff and monitors
- Preeclampsia discharge checklist
- Annual competence



Standardize Program Protocols

- Management of PPHTN
- Readmissions
- ED workflow
- PPHTN clinics

Postpartum Preeclampsia Care

Postpartum preeclampsia is high blood pressure or hypertension. It can develop after the baby is born, often between 48 hours and 6 weeks after delivery. It can happen whether or not a woman had high blood pressure or preeclampsia during pregnancy. Postpartum preeclampsia is serious. If not treated quickly it may result in death.

Know Preeclampsia Symptoms

- A headache that will not go away
- Visual changes (see spots or flashing lights)
- Breathlessness (difficulty breathing)
- Swelling of the face, legs, or hands
- Sudden weight gain
- Epigastric pain: pain right below your ribs in the area of your upper abdomen.
- "Just not feeling right". Being worried or nervous for no reason.

Know Your Risks

- Seizures
- Stroke
- Organ Damage
- Death

Get Follow Up Care

Your 1 week preeclampsia Follow-Up Appointment is on:

Take Your Blood Pressure Prescribed Medications

1. _____ 3. _____
 2. _____ 4. _____

Watch Your Blood Pressure at Home

- Take at least 2 readings a day: One in the morning before taking your medication and one in the evening. Record all results.
- Take your blood pressure monitor to your 1 week clinic appointment. The doctor will review your stored blood pressures in your blood pressure monitor.

	Systolic BP (top number)	and	Diastolic BP (bottom number)
Normal	Less than 140		Less than 90
Hypertension	140 to 160	or	90 to 110
Hypertension Crisis	More than 160	or	More than 110

How to Get Help

- For a medical emergency call 911.
- If your blood pressure top number is 160 or greater or the bottom number is 110 or greater, call your doctor right away and go to Labor and Delivery.
- Call the Postpartum Hypertension Clinic (773) 702-6118. Duchossois Center for Advanced Medicine (DCAM 3H) 5758 South Maryland Ave, Chicago, IL 60637

You are STILL AT RISK after your baby is born!

Postpartum Preeclampsia

What is it?
 Postpartum preeclampsia is a serious disease related to high blood pressure. It can happen to any woman who has just had a baby up to 6 weeks after the baby is born.

Warning Signs

- Stomach pain
- Severe headaches
- Feeling nauseous or throwing up
- Seeing spots (or other vision changes)
- Swelling in your hands and face
- Shortness of breath

Risks to You

- Seizures
- Stroke
- Organ damage
- Death

What can you do?

- Ask if you should follow up with your doctor within one week of discharge.
- Keep all follow-up appointments.
- Watch for warning signs. If you notice any, call your doctor. (If you can't reach your doctor, call 911 or go directly to an emergency room and report you have been pregnant.)
- Trust your instincts.

For more information, go to www.stillatrisk.org

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1... Omron Upper Arm home Blood Pressure ... amazon.com



Omron BP Monitor Cuff at Rs 574 /piece ... indiamart.com





- **(including warning signs) ed**
- **Written log provided**
- **BP monitor provided**
- **Alert wrist band provided**
- **Schedule follow-up visit**

- **6 weeks postpartum**
- **Hypertension management education**
- **Follow up with cardiology or PCP**

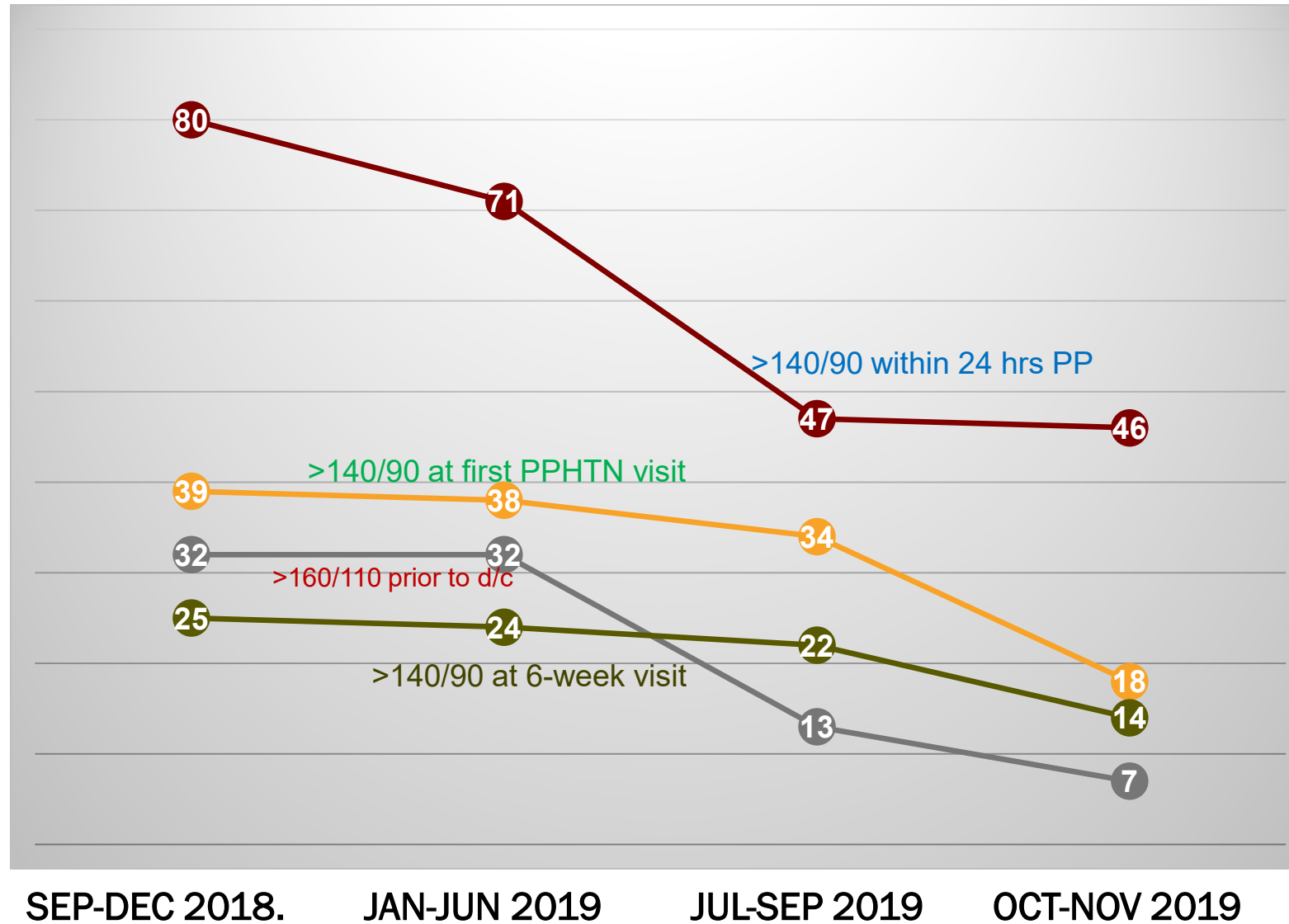
STAMPP HTN bundle led to a significant reduction of PP BP's and improved PP follow-up

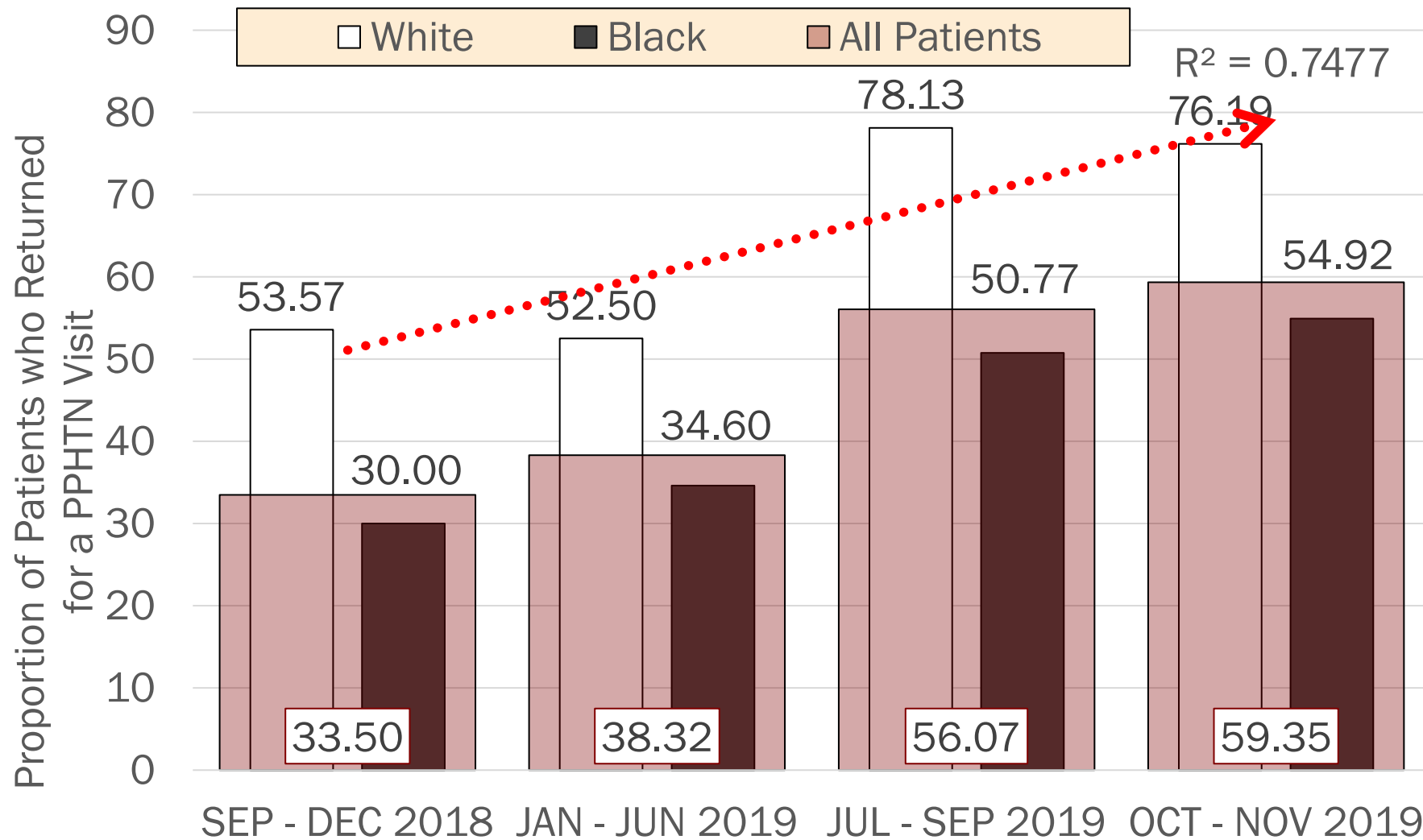
Patient Demographics

	Entire Cohort N = 926
Maternal Age, years	28 (24, 33)
Nulliparous	485 (52.38)
BMI	33.8 (27.5, 41.02)
Medicaid Insurance	609 (65.77)
Race	
Black/African American	740 (79.91)
White	121 (13.07)
Gestational Age, weeks	38.43 (37.00, 39.43)
Diagnosis	
Preeclampsia	367 (39.89)
Gestational Hypertension	338 (36.74)
Superimposed Preeclampsia	101 (10.98)
Chronic Hypertension	114 (12.39)
Mode of Delivery	
Cesarean	314 (33.91)
Vaginal	574 (61.99)
Total Length of Stay (Days)	4 (3, 4)
Data is presented as n (%) or median (quartile 1, quartile 3) depending on variable type.	



Decrease in Postpartum Blood Pressure





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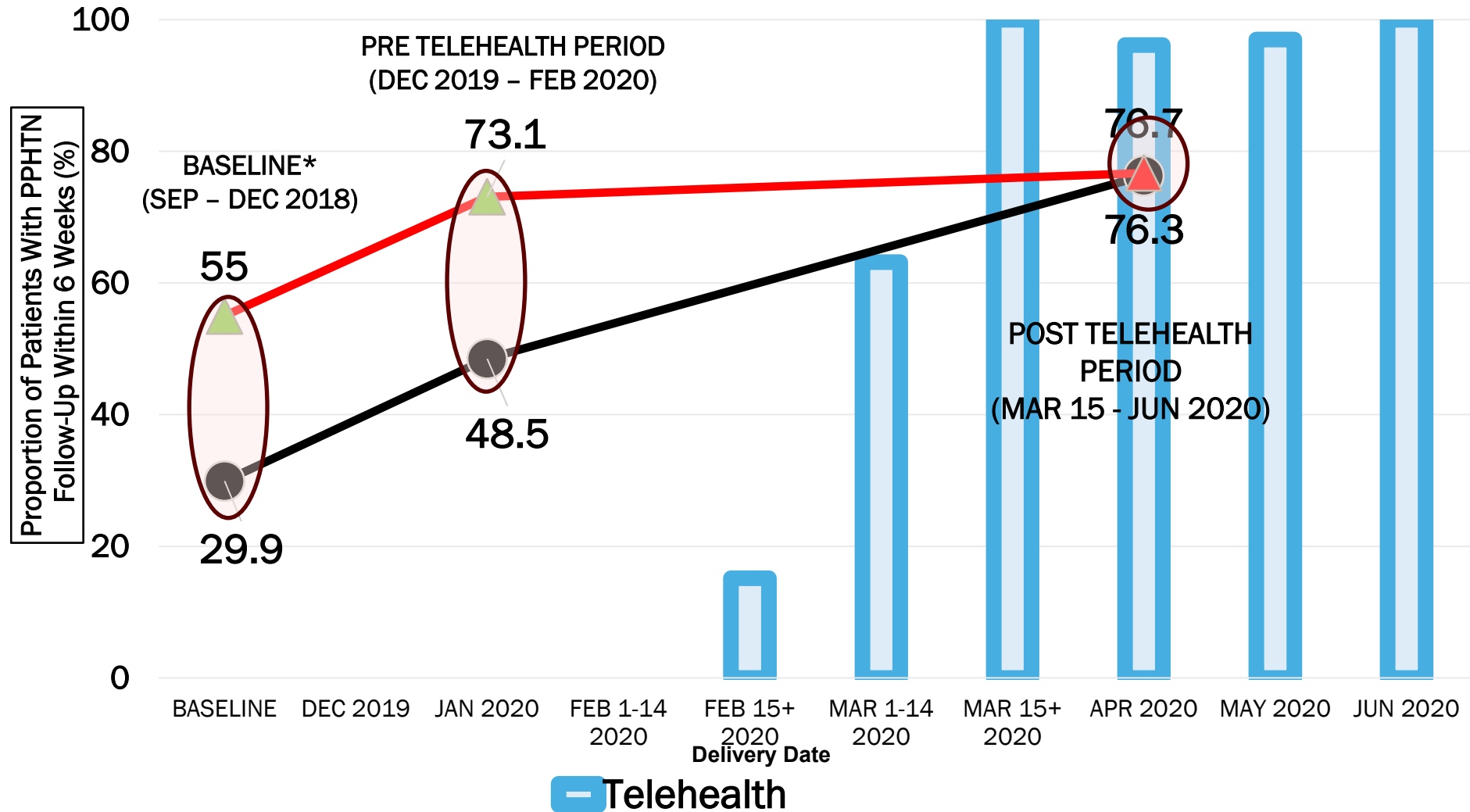
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For more information, visit [SMFM.org/equity](https://www.smfm.org/equity).



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STAMPP-HTN: Deploying Remote Patient Monitoring

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Dr. Rana and Team

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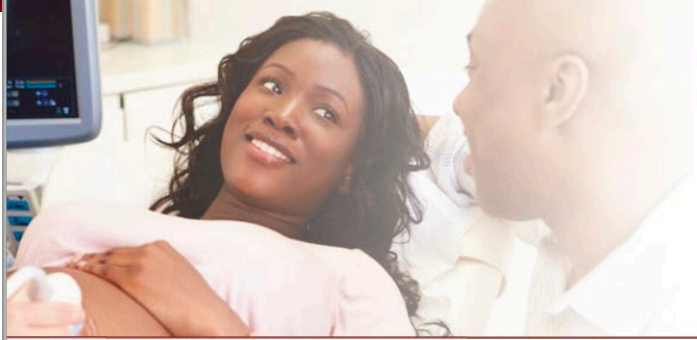
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Postpartum Telehealth and Remote Patient Monitoring



Prevent Preeclampsia with Remote Patient Monitoring

Welcome

Meet the Team

- The patient gets a Bluetooth BP monitor and downloads an APP on her phone to be enrolled in the program
- Linked through EPIC
- The rest of the components of the STAMPP program have no change
- Every patient discharged from UCM with HDP is enrolled in this program
- Started enrolling in RPM- July 26th, 2021

pressure, symptoms and activity.

- 1 Take your blood pressure prescribed medications.
- 2 Take your blood pressure at least 2 times a day. Check one time before and one time after taking your medication.
- 3 Answer symptom surveys to report any symptoms you have.
- 4 Track your physical activity, including walking and more.



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- Stomach pain, nausea, vomiting
- Severe headaches
- Swelling of the face or hands
- Shortness of breath
- Vision changes

your blood pressure, and **avoid complications from preeclampsia.**

program is easy and can be done using your smartphone or other smart device.

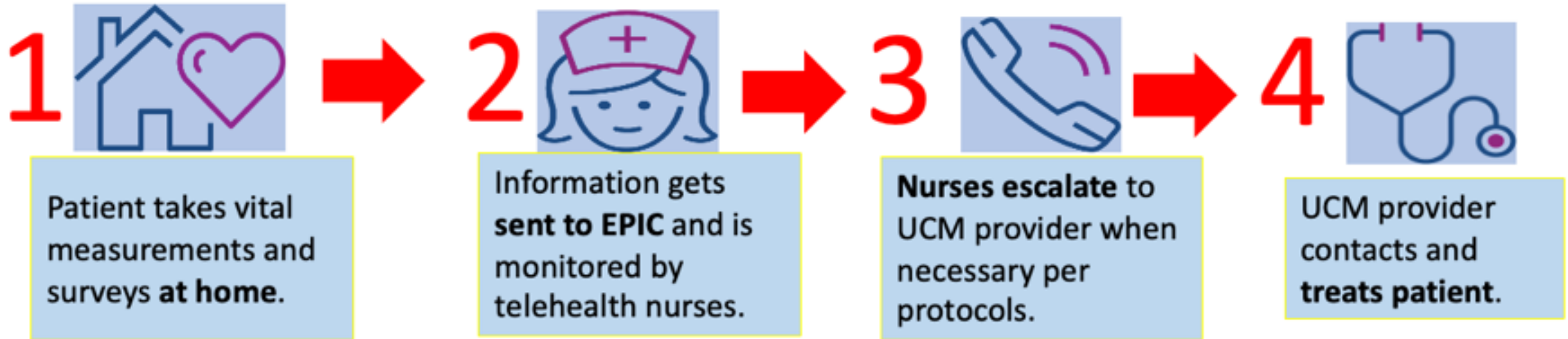
“
 At the University of Chicago, we are making every attempt to promptly diagnose and treat preeclampsia to improve the short and long term outcomes for mothers and their babies.
 - Dr. Sarosh Rana

Contact the UCM Postpartum Team

The University of Chicago Medicine
5841 S. Maryland Avenue
Chicago, IL 60637

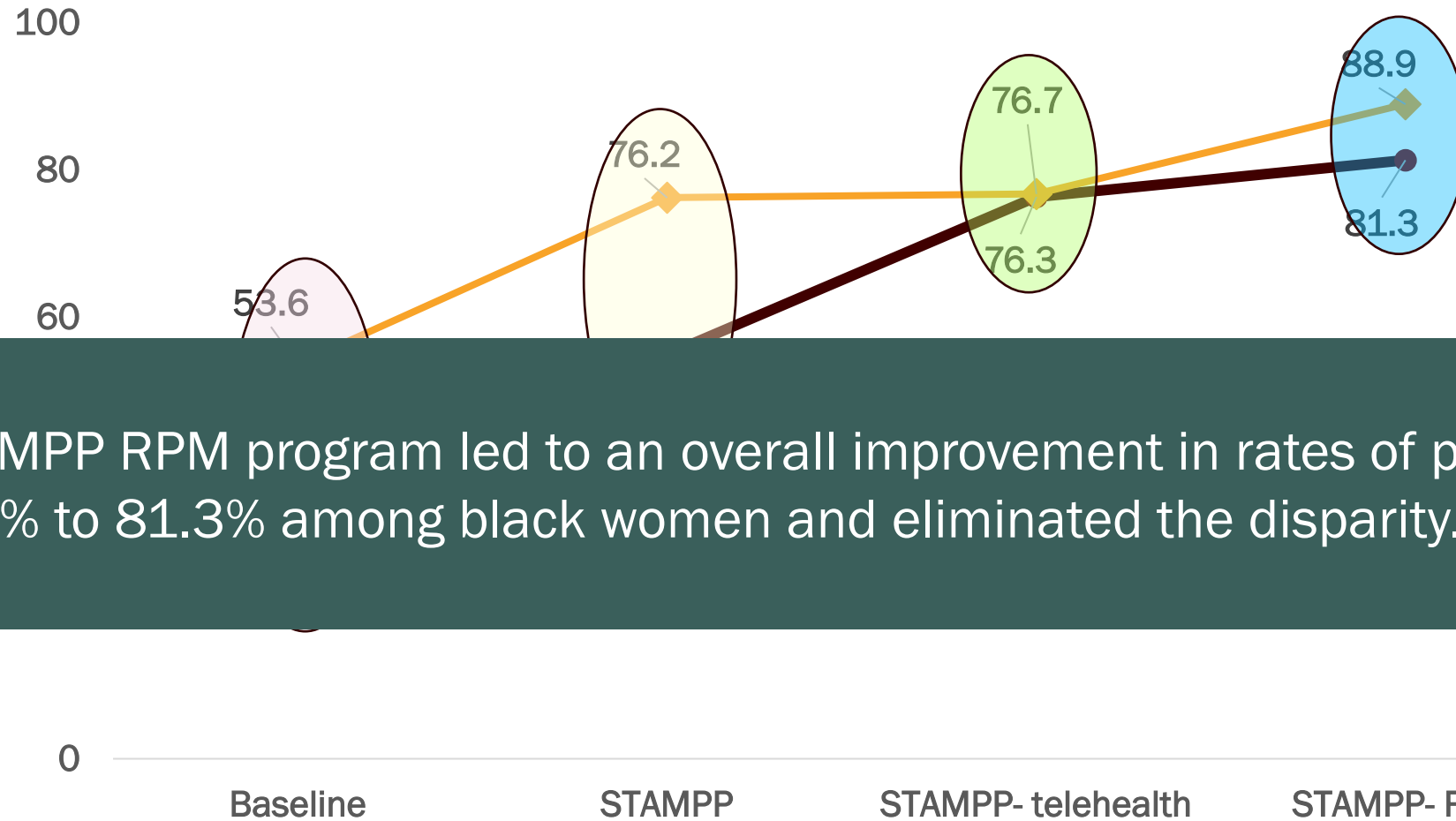
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STAMPP-HTN: RPM Workflow



Over lay of RPM on STAMPP HTN - our existing quality program

Rates of PPHTN follow up



The STAMPP RPM program led to an overall improvement in rates of postpartum BP follow from 30% to 81.3% among black women and eliminated the disparity.

Patient Perceptions Regarding RPM

86%

Patients reported that they were “definitely able” or “somewhat able” to improve their blood pressure management with use of RPM

91%

Patients reported they were “very” or “somewhat” likely to attend their postpartum follow-up visit

84%

Patients reported that were “definitely” or “somewhat” likely to recommend the RPM program to other postpartum mothers with hypertensive disorders

91%

Patients reported they were “much more” or “somewhat more” aware of their own health after use of the RPM program at six weeks postpartum

Survey responses collected from RPM portal for 306 patients into the RPM program and consented for the study from October 2021 to April 2022

Award and Accolades



- Received *ILPQC award of Excellence* (2019)
- The STAMPP-HTN Program was selected for *phase I and II of the Hypertension Innovator Award* Competition by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (“HHS”), Office on Women’s Health (2021, 2022)
- The program was selected for "*Magnet story as Magnet Exemplar*" for American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) for 2022
- Dr. Rana received the *Distinguished Leader in Program Innovation*, University of Chicago Biological Sciences Division (2022)
- *American Hospital Association* “citation of merit” and equitable maternal health practices- Review case example.
- *ILPQC 2023*- Abstract of Excellence Award, Implementation Plan Excellence Award, Data Excellence Award
- *Dr. Rana has given several webinars and invited talks*
- *Resulted in 20 abstracts and 5 papers (others pending)*

RPM Expansion beyond UCM in collaboration with HRS

- ✓ University of Mississippi- STAMPP (started Dec 2020)
- ✓ RWJ Barnabas – New Jersey- the program is live and expanding to more practices
- ✓ Novant – North Carolina- the program is live and expanding to more practices in the Charlotte market
- ✓ Avera – North and South Dakota- just went live and is enrolling patients at 2 practices
- ✓ Catholic Health – Upstate NY- live with PP HYT and Gestational Diabetes
- ✓ University of Michigan Health West – going live soon
- ✓ Centura Health – Colorado – initial discussion

The future vision for STAMPP-RPM

- Invited to Phase III of the HHS Hypertension Innovator award
- Incorporating CHWs (Linc program) to improve adherence beyond PPHTN appointment
- Extending STAMPP
 - » During pregnancy for high-risk pregnant women
 - » Beyond six weeks by collaborating with primary care RPM
- Conducting behavioral interviews with patients and CHWs
- Plan for extending to other hospitals across IL (collaborate with ILPQC for Birth Equity initiative)
- Continue to expand to other healthcare systems nationally
- Include in good clinical practice through CDC and ACOG

THANKS TO OUR TEAM



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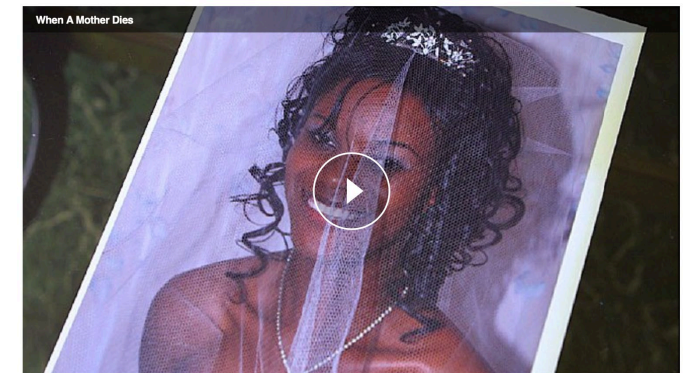
Funding through the years

- ✓ Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Chicago
- ✓ University of Chicago Women's Board
- ✓ Chicago Lying-in Board of Directors at the University of Chicago
- ✓ Preeclampsia Foundation
- ✓ Hypertension Innovator Award Competition by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services ("HHS"), Office on Women's Health (2021, 2022)

Currently funded through the UCM health equity initiatives through IT Strategic Programs

It is cost-free to the patient and is the standard of care our institution

- On average, we enroll 70-90 patients per month
- Total patients enrolled in STAMPP-HTN program ~ 5000



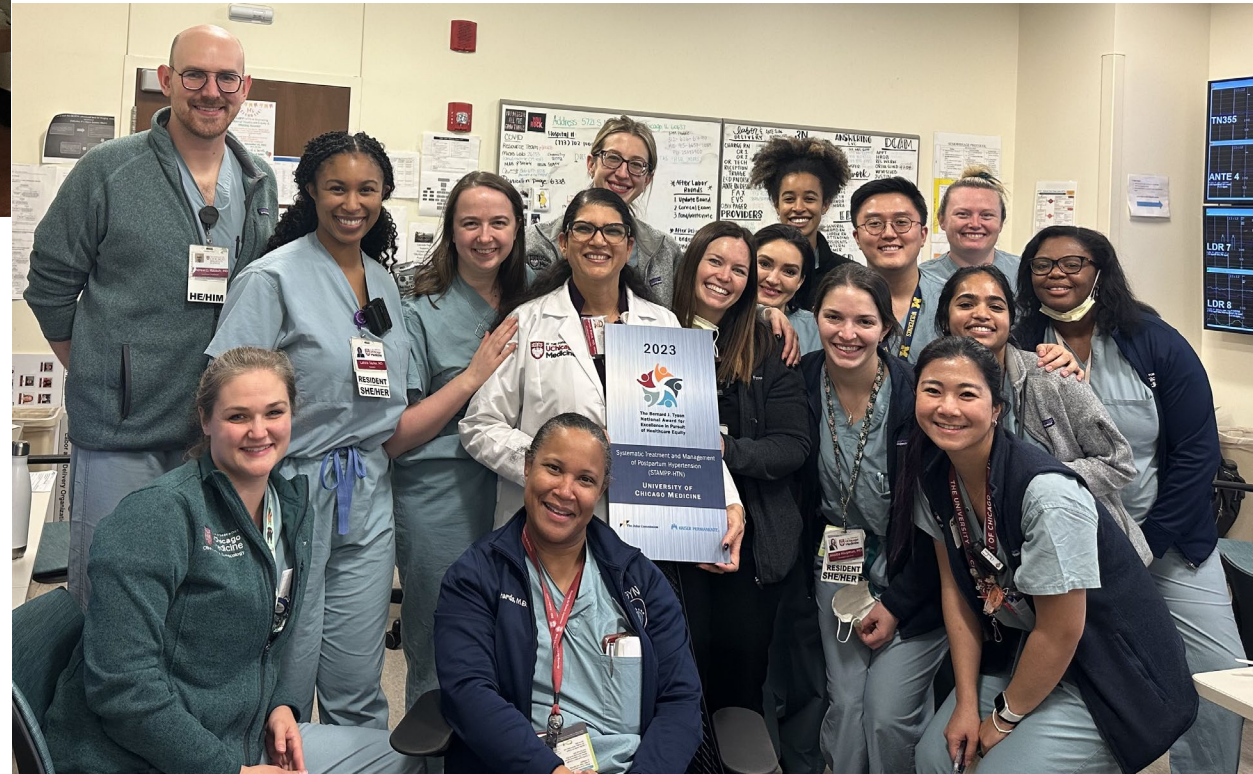
When A Mother Dies

When Calista Johnson died five days after giving birth, she left behind a family struggling to understand why.

ABOUT  

#EveryMomEveryTime
#Notonmywatch





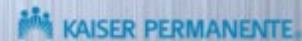
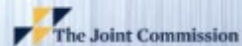
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2023 Top Finalists

(in alphabetical order by organization name; 2023 Awardee noted with * and bold text)

Organization(s)	City, State	Initiative Name
Boston Medical Center Health System	Boston, Massachusetts	Eliminating racial inequities in type 2 diabetes outcomes
Children's Minnesota	Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minnesota	Small tests lead to big improvements in pediatric asthma
Good Samaritan Hospital	Bakersfield, California	Improving access of opioid and alcohol withdrawal management & continuing treatment engaging for communities of color in Kern County, California
Mount Sinai Health System, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai	New York, New York	Implementing a robust equity dashboard to drive clinical transformation for the safe reduction of cesarean birth rates
University of Chicago Medicine*	Chicago, Illinois	Systematic Treatment and Management of Postpartum Hypertension (STAMPP-HTN)
University of North Carolina (UNC) School of Medicine - UNC Health	Chapel Hill, North Carolina	A quality improvement project to reduce rapid response system inequities for hospitalized patients with limited-English proficiency at a quaternary academic medical center
West Kendall Baptist Hospital	Miami, Florida	A community hospital's journey towards advancing health equity utilizing the Joint Commission's framework

2023 Applications – All organizations submitting applications



Adventist HealthCare White Oak Medical Center	Indiana University Health Bloomington Hospital	RWJBarnabas Health
Baylor Scott & White All Saints Medical Center - Fort Worth	Main Line Health	Children's Specialized Hospital
Bergen New Bridge Medical Center	MaineHealth	UC Health
Boston Medical Center Health System	Meritus Health	UCLA Health
Cayuga Health, Cayuga Health Partners, Cayuga Medical Center, Cayuga Medical Associates, Schuyler Hospital, Tompkins County Whole Health	Mount Sinai Health System, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai	University Health
Children's Minnesota	NYC Health + Hospitals/Elmhurst	University of Chicago Medicine*
Good Samaritan Hospital	NYC Health + Hospitals/Elmhurst	University of North Carolina (UNC) School of Medicine UNC Health
	Ochsner LSU Health	Veterans Health Care System of the Ozarks
	Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital	WellSpan Health
		West Kendall Baptist Hospital
		West Oaks Hospital

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The full list, which includes the initiative titles, is available on [The Joint Commission website](#).

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