

# Exploring how FIMR and CDR teams identify and address disparities

## WHEN

Wed, June 26, 2019

2:00 PM – 3:00 PM ET

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WHO SHOULD ATTEND · CDR/FIMR Coordinators and Team members · Abstractors · Interviewers · Maternal Child Health Professionals · Anyone working in the field of improving maternal, infant, and child health by addressing inequity

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## Speakers:

Mary Emanuele, Health Resources and Service Administration (HRSA)

Cathy Kothari,  
Kalamazoo, MI FIMR

Cathy Costa, Baltimore,  
MD FIMR/CDR

D'Yuanna Allen-Robb,  
Director, Maternal Child  
and Adolescent Health  
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Trevor Crowder, Metro  
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### Questions?

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# WHY ATTEND

Maternal and infant health inequities and disparities are serious public health concerns that have many social and economic implications, such as poor health outcomes and increased direct and indirect healthcare costs. These disparities are diverse and can exist among different groups, including insured and uninsured populations, urban and rural communities, privately and publicly insured individuals, and racial or ethnic minorities. This webinar will explore how Fetal and Infant Mortality Review (FIMR) teams and Child Death Review (CDR) use the fatality review process to identify and address health disparities and improve maternal, infant, and child health outcomes in their communities.

## SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

### Welcome and Opening remarks:

#### **Mary Emanuele, USPHS, RN, BSN, CNOR, CCHP**

Commander (CDR) Mary Emanuele is a registered nurse with an extensive experience in peri-operative, post anesthesia care, women's health nursing, medical surgical, oncology and biotherapy and immunotherapy. Mary Emanuele served as a Commissioned Officer in the United States Navy from 2002-2008. She was deployed to West Africa for the Ebola Crisis Response in 2014 and served as a Rapid Deployment Force PHS-2 team member for Hurricane Irma (Florida), Hurricane Maria (Puerto Rico) and Hurricane Florence (North Carolina).

In 2016, CDR Mary Emanuele transferred to the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) in her current position as a Program Management Officer in the Maternal and Child Health Bureaus, Division of Healthy Start and Perinatal Services where she provides programmatic guidance to grantees under the Federal Healthy Start Program. Her responsibilities include assisting grantees with technical oversight and monitoring programmatic progress to reduce infant mortality in vulnerable populations. Mary serves alongside of CDR Sony Fermin as the backup FIMR project officer for the Center's Cooperative agreement.

### Guest speakers:

#### **Catherine Kothari, BA, MA, PhD**

Catherine Kothari is a Population Health researcher within the Division of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, Biomedical Sciences Department. She conducts investigator-initiated research and program evaluation focusing upon social determinants of health, health services and health outcomes for topics spanning racial - socioeconomic disparities, intimate partner violence, criminal justice involvement and mental health. She is senior epidemiologist for Cradle-Kalamazoo, a collective impact community initiative to improve maternal-infant health and reduce racial and socioeconomic disparities. As part of this effort, she has developed the Cradle Data Hub; which includes a Care Coordination Registry of maternal-infant home visitation programs, the Mom's Health Experiences Survey, the Community Voice Panel, and she co-leads the Kalamazoo Fetal and Infant Mortality Review team.

**Cathy Costa, MSW, MPH**

Cathy Costa is Infant Mortality and Child Fatality Review Director at the Baltimore City Health Department, where she leads the Fetal and Infant Mortality Review and Child Fatality Review projects. She has expertise in community needs assessment, program design, community mobilization, evaluation, racial and socioeconomic disparities in infant mortality, and maternal mental health. Previously, she led collaborations with researchers to develop web-based versions of leading screening and assessment tools and innovative outcomes monitoring systems for federal early childhood special education requirements. She earned Master of Social Work and Master of Public Health degrees from the University of Maryland School of Social Work and School of Medicine in 2012 and an undergraduate degree in American Studies and English from Dickinson College in 1996. She is a co-author of *Community Building: Community Economic Development in Social Work* (Columbia University Press, 2014).

**D'Yuanna Allen-Robb, MPH**

A native East Tennessean, Ms. D'Yuanna Allen-Robb leads local and national strategic program and policy initiatives to ensure the replication of culturally relevant program models to improve the health status of women. She currently serves as the Maternal Child and Adolescent Health Director of Metropolitan Nashville at the Metro Public Health Department, responsible for the leadership of an impressive portfolio of more than \$7 million in programs to include the care-coordination and evidence-based home-visiting programs, Fetal Infant Mortality Review, Child Fatality Review, School and Community Health, Youth Advisory Board, Health Partnership Council, Youth Violence Prevention and Adolescent Healthy Futures programs. Under her leadership, sleep-related infant deaths in Metropolitan Nashville declined 29% (2015 to 2016) and an additional 13% (2016 to 2017).

**Trevor Crowder, M.A.**

Trevor Crowder is the Manager of the Fetal Infant Mortality Review Program at the Metro Nashville Public Health Department. The Fetal Infant Mortality Review is designed to change the laws, policies, practices, and systems in Davidson County that impact women, children, and families to prevent fetal and infant deaths. Trevor has worked for over 30 years in community mental health, addiction services, and now public health. In her current role, she brings her vast experience in supporting health and wellness for all families in Davidson County. Born and raised in Nashville, TN, she is a graduate of Tennessee State University and received a Master of Arts degree from Fisk University in clinical psychology.

## ORGANIZATION DESCRIPTION

**Webinar Host Organization: The National Center for Fatality Review & Prevention**

The National Center for Fatality Review & Prevention (NCFRP), a program of the Michigan Public Health Institute (MPHI), is funded by the U.S. Health Resources & Services Administration Maternal and Child Health Bureau to provide training, technical assistance, and data services to CDR and FIMR programs around the country. The Center uses on-site and remote consultations, web-based trainings, and an interactive website to support review programs. The Center also develops and disseminates materials. Support focuses on assisting teams to improve their effectiveness in moving from review findings to policy, practice, and prevention improvements. NCFRP also works with numerous national partners to help translate review recommendations into action.