



Howard County Local Health Improvement Coalition (HCLHIC)

Growing Healthy Families (GHF) Workgroup Meeting

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

November 12, 2025

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Meeting Goal: To review progress from the November 5th Women's Focus Group, learning about innovative models of group prenatal care and start the discussion for planning the 2026 Black Maternal Health Week event.

Meeting Agenda

Meeting will start promptly at 2:00 pm

- 2:00 – 2:10 **Welcome**
- Introductions
 - Previous Meeting Recap
 - Announcements
- 2:10 – 2:15 **November 5th Women's Focus Group Update**
*Erica Taylor, Co-chair,
Home Visiting Program Manager
Howard County Office of Children and Families
Department of Community Resources and Services*
- 2:15 – 2:30 **Group Prenatal Care Initiative Presentation**
*Sarah Strohmayer, MSN, RN
Program Manager, OB
Chase Brexton Health Care*
- 2:30 – 2:55 **2026 Black Maternal Health Week Event Discussion**
*Erica Taylor, Co-chair,
Home Visiting Program Manager
Howard County Office of Children and Families
Department of Community Resources and Services*
- 2:55 – 3:00 **Next Steps & Wrap-Up**
*Stephanie Foster,
Community Engagement Coordinator,
Howard County Health Department,
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***Growing Healthy Families FY26-28 Goals:**

- **Goal 1.** Improve health outcomes for Black/African American infants and mothers through improved maternal care before, during and after pregnancy.
- **Goal 2.** Enhance equitable access to healthcare by expanding awareness of affordable health coverage, community health services, and transportation assistance, while also improving opportunities for prenatal care and nutrition education for all women in Howard County.
- **Goal 3.** Engage community members in women and maternal health activities by increasing awareness of culturally appropriate and inclusive opportunities to improve access to healthcare.