



NCSL MCH Fellows Meeting

Maternal and Child Health State and Federal Policy

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Vision: Healthy Communities, Healthy People

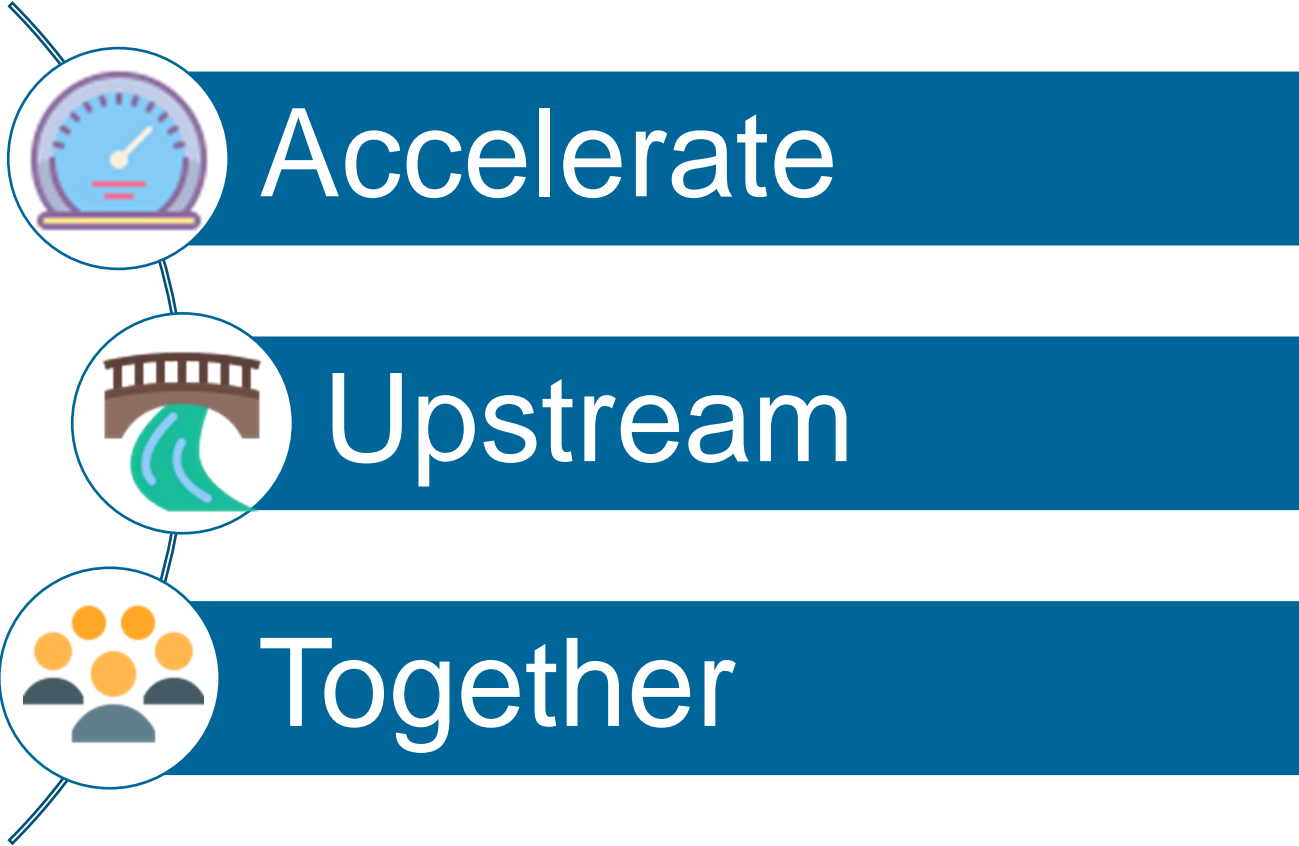


Maternal and Child Health Bureau



Mission:
Improve the health and well-being of America's
mothers, children, and families.

Paradigm for Improving Maternal and Child Health



ACCELERATE: Maternal Health Is a Priority

700

pregnancy-related deaths annually

25,000

delivery hospitalizations with a severe maternal morbidity diagnosis (not including transfusion)

3X

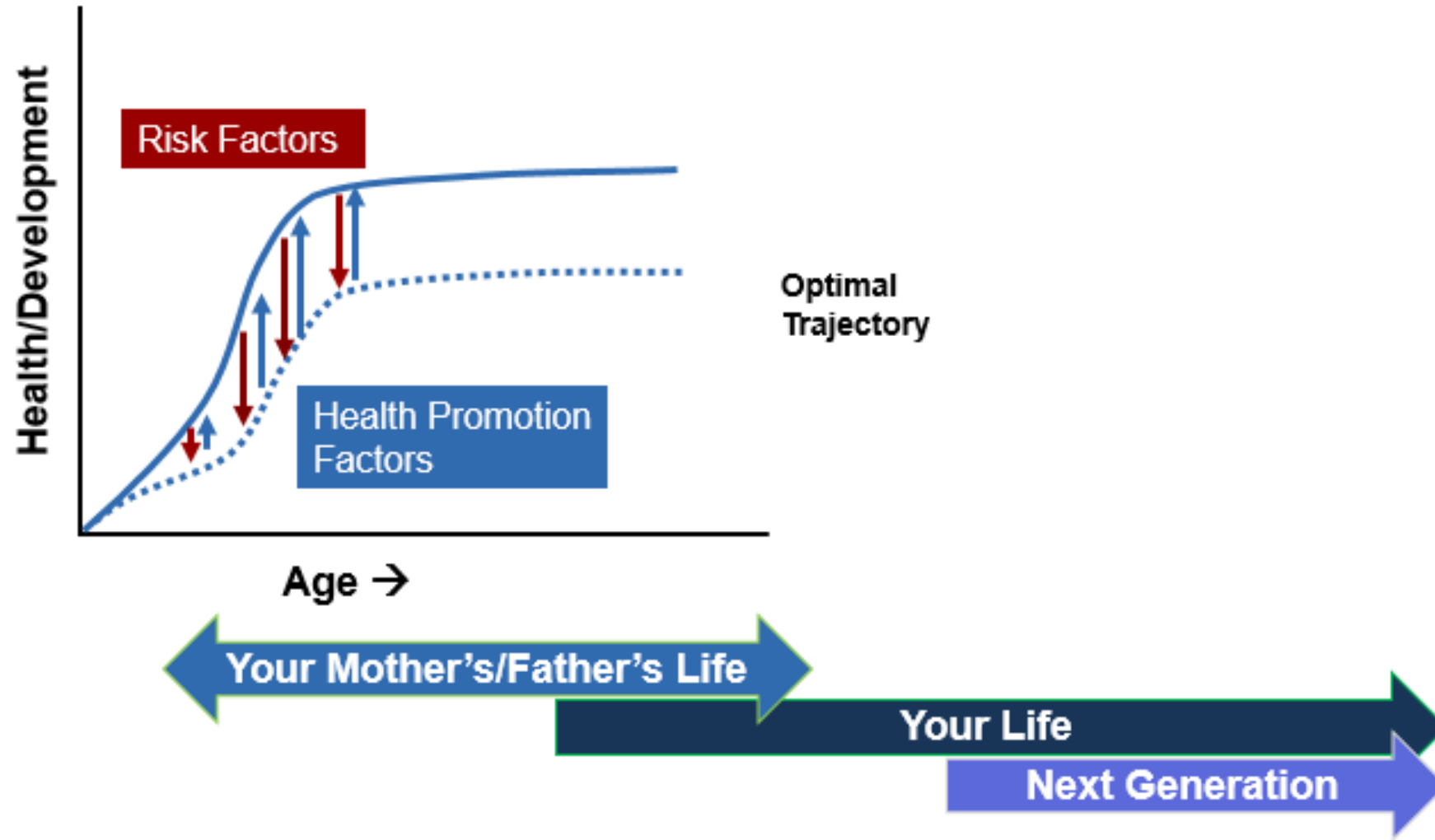
higher rates of death for Black and American Indian/Alaska Native women

60%

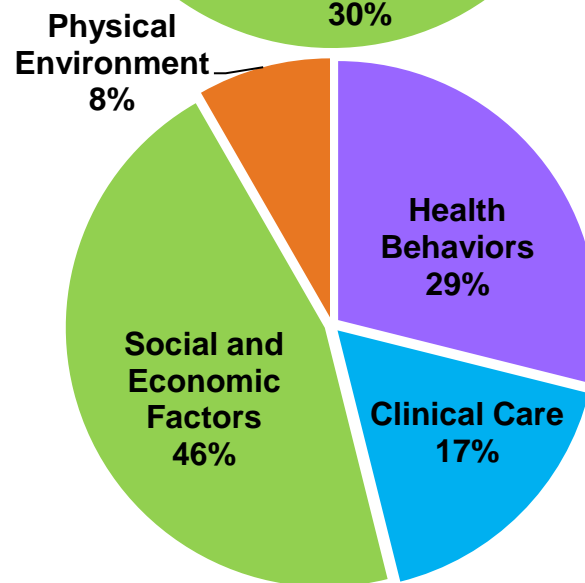
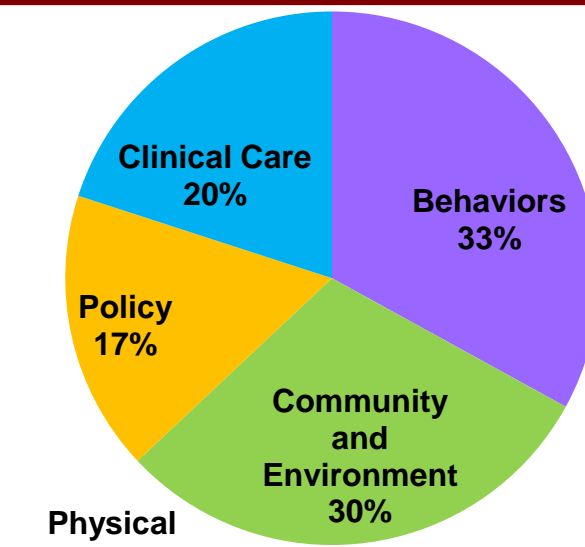
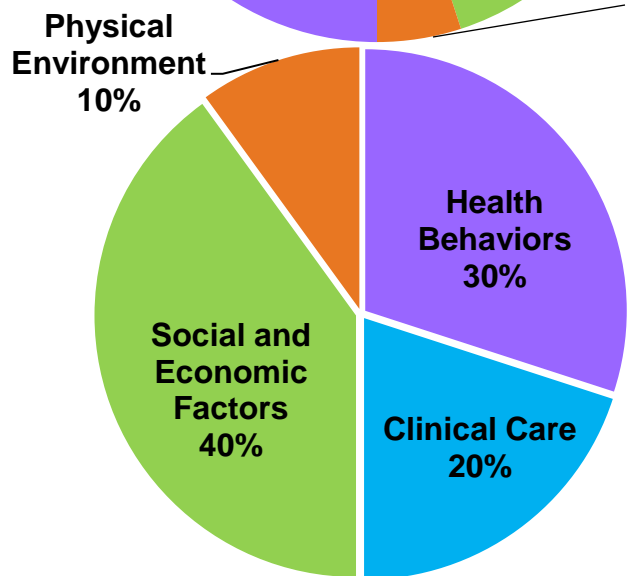
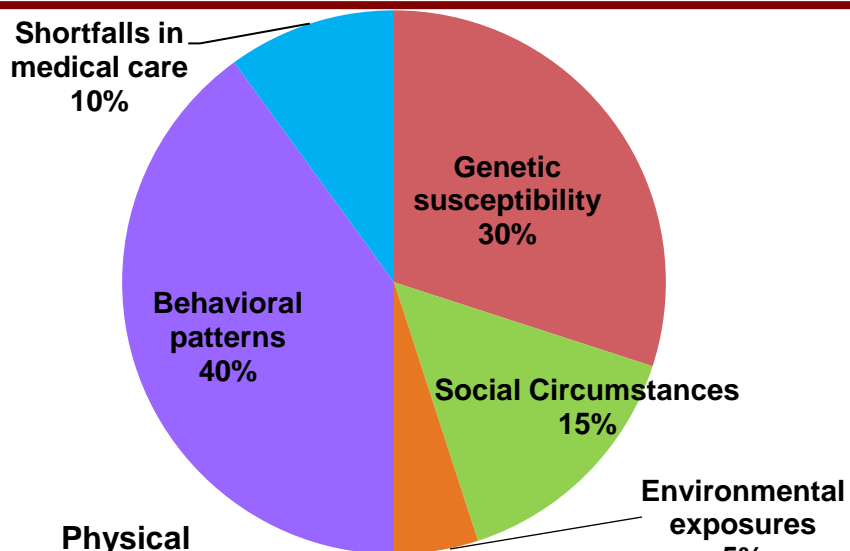
of deaths preventable



UPSTREAM: Life Course Approach



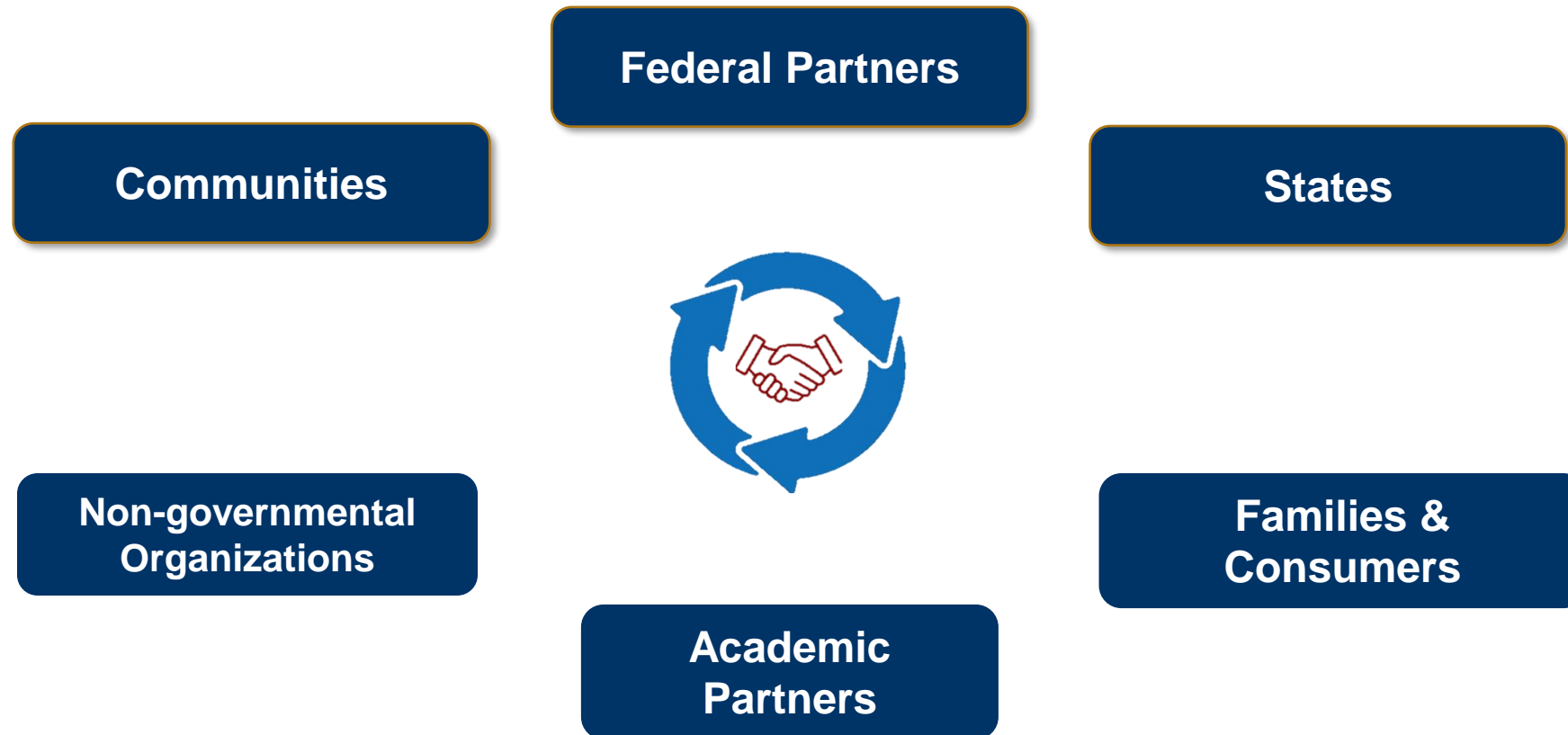
UPSTREAM: More Than Just Health Care



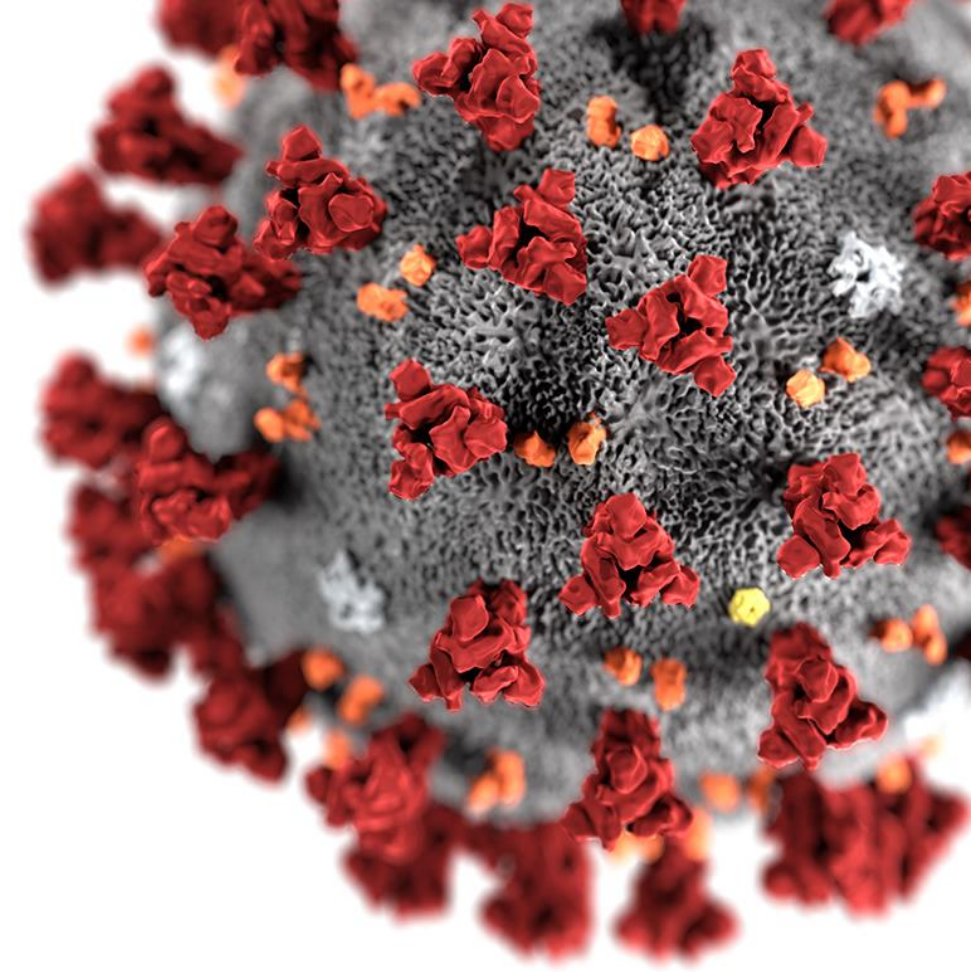
Health care accounts for only 10-20% of overall health



TOGETHER: Strategic Partnerships



Maternal and Child Health and COVID-19



Impact of COVID on Maternal and Child Health

- Fear and risk of exposure to coronavirus
- Reduced access/utilization of well-child, perinatal, and well-woman care
- Altered labor & delivery care for pregnant women
- Altered systems of care for children and youth with special health care needs
- Loss of community supports
- Social isolation & increased mental health needs
- Increased socioeconomic stressors & family care needs
- Intimate partner violence
- Exacerbated health disparities (socioeconomic, racial/ethnic, rural, etc.)

Impacts across the life course that can affect generations to come



MCHB Response

- Technical assistance to grantees
- Grant flexibilities
- Collaboration
- Sharing resources



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Coronavirus Important Information From the Maternal and Child Health Bureau

News & Announcements

- [Coronavirus Disease \(COVID-19\) Maternal and Child Health Bureau Frequently Asked Questions \(3/23/2020\)](#)
- [Study Finds Safe Infant Sleep Practices Need Improvement \(10/21/2019\)](#)
- [New HRSA Data Show One in Three US Children Have Suffered an Adverse Childhood Experience \(10/7/2019\)](#)

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\$15M in Telehealth Funds for MCH

Maternal Health Care

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

State Public Health Systems

Association of Maternal & Child Health Programs

Family Engagement

Family Voices

Pediatric Care

American Academy of Pediatrics

- \$15 million to increase telehealth access and infrastructure for providers and families to help prevent and respond to COVID-19
- Funded through the 2020 Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act



Considerations for States



1) Consider unique needs of already vulnerable populations

2) Support ongoing provision of primary and preventive care, particularly for MCH populations

3) Explore long-term strategies for bolstering readiness for the next crisis

- **Resources**

- [Title V MCH Services Block Grant Information System \(TVIS\)](#)
 - ✓ State Contacts and Snapshot – Get to know your Title V/MCH Director!
- [National Survey of Children's Health](#)



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