Maternal Mortality and the Mental Health Crisis

Advancing the Conversation: Addressing Mental Health Conditions as the Leading Cause of Perinatal Deaths in America

Please join the American Psychiatric Association (APA), American College of Obstetricians & Gynecologists (ACOG), Maternal Mental Health Leadership Alliance (MMHLA) and Mental Health Liaison Group (MHLG) for a panel discussion on maternal mental health in partnership with the office of Congresswomen Lauren Underwood and Robin Kelly.

Thursday, July 20th, 12:30-1:30pm
2045 Rayburn House Office Building, Lunch Provided

Recent CDC data show, for the first time, that the leading underlying causes of pregnancy-related deaths are mental health conditions (including deaths by suicide and overdose/poisoning related to substance use disorder) at 23%. This discussion will examine the current perinatal mental health landscape, disparities in maternal health and potential federal policies to address the crisis - including the Momnibus, the Moms Matter Act and the Preventing Maternal Deaths Reauthorization Act.

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