Delaware Fetal and Infant Mortality Review (FIMR)

What is Fetal and Infant Mortality Review?

- Reviews fetal and infant deaths looking at various factors including medical, social, and systems
- Findings can be used to improve healthcare settings and prevent future deaths



What Factors Are Examined?

Maternal Health	Infant Health	Health Care System	Community & Social Factors

2025 Key Findings

- 49 fetal and infant deaths were reviewed in 2025.
- 53% were fetal deaths, also known as stillbirths.
- Prematurity was the leading cause of infant death.
- 37% of women had late or no prenatal care.

What's Next?

- Promote the 4th trimester model of postpartum care
- Promote fetal movement tracking as a way to prevent some types of stillbirths
- Educate about the risks of cannabis use during pregnancy and while caring for young children
- Reduce delays in enrolling pregnant women in Medicaid

Review Process

1. Fetal/Infant Death Occurs
2. Case Review
3. Identify Contributing Factors
4. Develop Recommendations
5. Strengthen Prevention

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