

# Transforming Maternal Health (TMaH) Model in Colorado: A Community Discussion

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# Outline

- Overview of today's meeting
- Contextualizing the Transforming Maternal Health (TMaH) Model
- Community feedback on TMaH in Colorado
  - What opportunities do you see with TMaH, and what reservations do you have?
  - If Colorado applies for TMaH, what ideas do you have for what the model could look like?
  - What should HCPF prioritize and consider in its potential TMaH application?



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# Today's Meeting

- Structure of today's meeting
  - Presentation on TMaH
  - Q&A
  - Pause for reflection
  - Discussion
- Ways to give feedback:
  - Use the chat
  - Raise your (virtual) hand
  - Email afterward
- Feedback will be used to inform HCPF discussions of how to proceed with a potential TMaH application



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# What is the TMaH Model?

- 10 year, \$17 million model from Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)
- Whole-person approach to pregnancy, childbirth, and postpartum care for pregnant and postpartum people with Medicaid or CHIP
- Timeline
  - 2024
    - Spring: TMaH application period opens
    - Summer: TMaH applications due
    - Fall: CMS reviews applications & selects states
  - 2025-2034: Model Performance Period



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# Payment Approach

- Model Years 1-2 (2025-2026): Funds to State Medicaid Agencies
- Model Year 3 (2027): Funds can be given to providers for TMaH activities
- Model Year 4 (2028): Providers eligible for upside-only performance incentive payments
- Model Year 5 (2029): Transition to value-based payment model
  
- Quality and cost performance incentives:  
80%/20%



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# How Can the Funds be Used?

- Our understanding to date:
  - Can be used for training, administrative time, infrastructure development (e.g., building data sharing capacity)
  - Can't be used to pay for clinical time
  - Can't be used to pay for Medicaid reimbursable services
  - Can't be used to increase payment rates
  - Can't be used for capital expenses



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# CMS' TMaH Model Goals

- Improve experience of care for pregnant and postpartum people
- Reduce avoidable adverse outcomes, such as severe maternal morbidity and mortality
- Increase access to midwifery and doula services



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# Care Delivery Transformation

- Colorado context
  - Doulas, lactation, midwives, home births, perinatal SUD, home visitation, Cover All Coloradans, family planning expansion, new Maternity APM
- TMaH goal: Implement policy and build provider capabilities to transform the maternal health care experience under three areas
  - Whole-person care delivery
  - Access, infrastructure, and workforce
  - Quality improvement and patient safety



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# Outstanding Questions

- Who can be a partner?
- What will community involvement look like?
  - Stakeholder work (now + future)
  - Formal procurement process to contract with HCPF to carry out TMaH activities
- What are the data requirements?
  - Likely significant
- How does ACC 3.0 and HCPF's New Maternity Alternative Payment Model impact our ability to implement CMS' vision for the model?



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# Outstanding Questions

- What activities qualify for TMaH funding?
  - Likely administrative staff time, training, infrastructure development (e.g., data sharing)
- What is the flexibility (or lack thereof) of funding parameters
- How are funds divided between upfront and incentive payments?



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# Questions?



# Discussion

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# Questions?



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# Thank you!



# TMaH Resources

- [TMaH Model CMS Website](#)
- [TMaH Model Overview Factsheet](#)
- [TMaH Model Overview Webinar Slides](#)
- [TMaH Model Payment Design Factsheet](#)
- [TMaH Model Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [TMaH Model State Medicaid Agency Technical Assistance Factsheet](#)
- [CMS TMaH Press Release \(Dec 15, 2023\)](#)



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# TMaH Model Timeline

## Application

- Spring 2024: TMaH application period opens
- Summer 2024: TMaH applications due
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## Model Performance Period

- Jan 2025-Dec 2027: Pre-Implementation period
- Jan 2028-Dec 2034: Implementation period



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# TMaH & Health Equity

- Health Equity Plans: support review of available data and track progress toward health equity goals
- Health Related Social Needs (HRSN) data collection and screening: develop data infrastructure to support collection of HRSN data and referral to resources
- Patient Safety Improvement: cross-model learning on workflows and practices that have demonstrated safer patient outcomes



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# Care Delivery Transformation

