

OB Hypertensive Crisis

How Do We Improve?

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Objectives

- Identify 3 important aspects of how Team STEPPS with simulation will help you achieve portions of the obstetric hypertension safety bundle
- Participate in a hypertensive emergency obstetric drill
- Describe ways to initiate or enhance obstetric drills in your facility using Team STEPPS

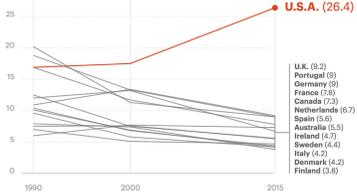
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Maternal Mortality Is Rising in the U.S. As It Declines Elsewhere

Deaths per 100,000 live births



Country	Rate (2015)
U.S.A.	26.4
U.K.	8.2
Portugal	9
Germany	9
France	7.5
Canada	7.5
Netherlands	6.7
Spain	5.5
Australia	5.3
Ireland	4.5
Sweden	4.4
Italy	4.2
Denmark	4.2
Finland	3.8

Global, regional, and national levels of maternal mortality, 1990–2015, a systematic analysis for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2015. The Lancet. Only data for 1990, 2000 and 2015 was made available in the journal.



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CMQCC

California Maternal Quality Care Collaborative

- From 2006 to 2013, the maternal death rate in California fell 55%
- What did they do ?

They initiated protocols —checklists, carts, drills and teamwork — they have not only saved women from dying, but they have also dramatically reduced the rate of women who nearly died.



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CMQCC

In particular, CMQCC found two well-known complications offered the best chance of survival if treated properly:

- **Hemorrhage**
- **Pregnancy-induced high blood pressure/ Preeclampsia**



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Wis PQC (Perinatal Quality Collaborative)



Current WisPQC Initiatives

- Maternal Hypertension
- Human Milk Feeding
- NAS/NOWS



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READINESS

Every Unit

- Standards for early warning signs, diagnostic criteria, monitoring and treatment of severe preeclampsia/eclampsia (include order sets and algorithms)
- Unit education on protocols, unit-based drills (with post-drill debriefs)
- Process for timely triage and evaluation of pregnant and postpartum women with hypertension including ED and outpatient areas
- Rapid access to medications used for severe hypertension/eclampsia: Medications should be stocked and immediately available on L&D and in other areas where patients may be treated. Include brief guide for administration and dosage.
- System plan for escalation, obtaining appropriate consultation, and maternal transport, as needed



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RECOGNITION & PREVENTION

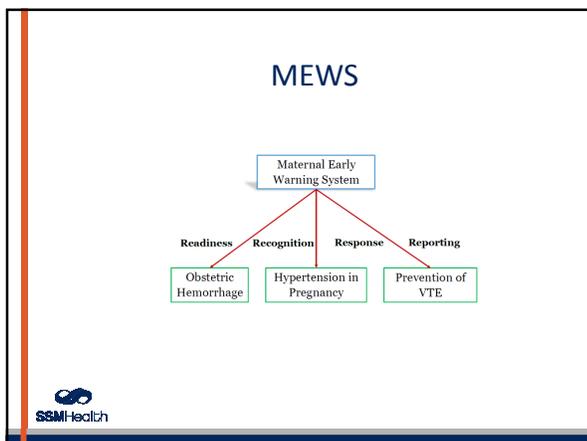
Every Patient

- Standard protocol for measurement and assessment of BP and urine protein for all pregnant and postpartum women
- Standard response to maternal early warning signs including listening to and investigating patient symptoms and assessment of labs (e.g. CBC with platelets, AST and ALT)
- Facility-wide standards for educating prenatal and postpartum women on signs and symptoms of hypertension and preeclampsia



Recognition

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Maternal Early Warning Criteria

- Systolic BP; mmHg <90 or >160
- Diastolic BP; mmHg >100
- Heart rate; bpm <50 or >120
- Respiratory rate; bpm <10 or >30
- Oxygen saturation; % <95
- Oliguria; ml/hr x 2h <35

- Maternal agitation, confusion, or unresponsiveness
- Patient with hypertension reporting a non-remitting headache or shortness of breath