
THE UNITED
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HOW DOES THIS AFFECT WOMEN?

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WOMEN AREN'T GETTING THE CARE THEY NEED DURING THEIR PREGNANCY OR AFTER. THIS LEADS TO AN INCREASE IN COMPLICATIONS AND DEATHS.
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"EXCEPT IN HIGH-RISK CASES, WOMEN IN THE NETHERLANDS TURN TO MIDWIVES, NOT OBSTETRICIANS, DURING THEIR PREGNANCIES"- AMANDA GREEN

AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN ARE 3-4X MORE LIKELY TO DIE DURING CHILDBIRTH

THE MATERNAL DEATH RATE IS INCREASING OVER TIME

STATISTICS ON MATERNAL MORTALITY:

"EVERY DAY, APPROXIMATELY 830 WOMEN DIE FROM PREVENTABLE CAUSES RELATED TO PREGNANCY AND CHILDBIRTH." - WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

EACH YEAR MORE THAN 500,000 WOMEN BETWEEN THE AGES OF 15 AND 49 DIE OF CAUSES RELATED TO PREGNANCY AND CHILDBIRTH

GLOBAL STATISTICS:

38%

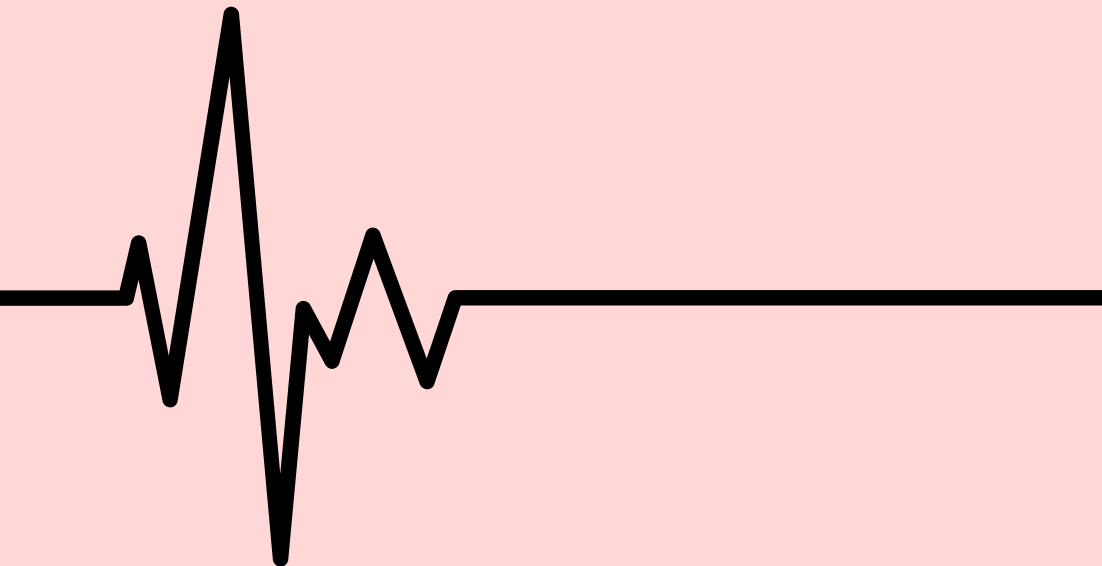
DIE WHILE PREGNANT

45%

END OF PREGNANCY TO 6 WEEKS AFTER

18%

6 WEEKS TO 1 YEAR AFTER



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"NEARLY HALF OF ALL OF THE DEATHS WERE CAUSED BY HEMMORAGE, CARDIOVASCULAR AND CORONARY CONDITIONS, CARDIOMYOPATHY OR INFECTION" - EMMA CHARLETON, WORLD ECONOMIC FORUM

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WHAT CAN WE DO?

WOMEN IN OTHER CULTURES, I.E. FRANCE AND JAPAN ARE ENCOURAGED TO STAY CALM DURING CHILDBIRTH AND OT AVOID SCREAMING

WORKING TO INCREASE THE QUALITY OF CARE DURING PREGNANCY AND AFTER COULD LEAD TO A DECREASE IN MATERNAL DEATHS.

STRESSORS SUCH AS HEALTHCARE COSTS, MATERNITY LEAVE, AND PREGNANCY RELATED HEALTH ISSUES CAN LEAD TO HIGHER RISK PREGNANCIES.

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“WE NEED TO LISTEN TO MOMS. AND WE NEED TO SUPPORT THEM,” SHAH SAID. “IF RISING MATERNAL MORTALITY IS FUNDAMENTALLY A FAILURE OF SOCIAL SUPPORT, WE ALL NEED TO STEP UP: BIRTH PARTNERS, GRANDPARENTS, FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS, PROFESSIONAL COLLEAGUES – ALL OF US.”-NEEL SHAH, HARVARD MEDICAL

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