



## ACOG UPDATES PRACTICE ADVISORY AFTER FDA WITHDRAWS APPROVAL FOR MAKENA



The **American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology (ACOG)** updated its [Practice Advisory](#) to address the April 6, 2023, decision by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to withdraw approval of Makena and its generics (17-alpha hydroxyprogesterone caproate [17-OHPC]). This Practice Advisory serves to

update the current evidence and recommendations for the use of progesterone for the prevention of recurrent preterm birth.

---- Black Maternal Health Week ----



Black Maternal Health Week (BMHW) is the annual maternal health campaign led by Black Mamas Matter Alliance. Held annually on April 11-17, BMHW is a week-long campaign founded by the [Black Mamas Matter Alliance](#) to build awareness, activism, and community-building to amplify the voices, perspectives and lived experiences of Black Mamas and birthing people.

BMMA is a national network of Black women-led and Black-led, birth and reproductive justice organizations with multi-disciplinary professionals, working across the full-

spectrum of maternal and reproductive health. Visit the BMMA 2023 Maternal Health Week website for information and resources. For full schedule, visit [BMMA 2023 Maternal Health Week Schedule](#).



During the month of April, attention to the disparities of Black health and support for improving Black health is highlighted. In 2002, the U.S. Congress resolved that “a National Minority Health and Health Disparities Month should be established to promote educational efforts on the health problems currently facing minorities and

other health disparity populations.” Ohio recognizes Minority Health Month each April.

Please click [HERE](#) to access the 2023 Minority Health Month calendar of events.



**OPIOID OVERDOSE:  
OHIO'S LEADING CAUSE  
OF PREGNANCY-  
ASSOCIATED DEATH**

The Ohio Department of Health Pregnancy-Associated Mortality Review has identified unintentional Opioid Overdose (OD) as the leading cause of pregnancy-associated death in Ohio.

One means of addressing this health issue is providing a naloxone overdose kit (Narcan) to pregnant and postpartum moms and their close contacts.

OPQC is interested in learning about experiences and practices of obstetricians, family physicians, neonatologists, and pediatricians related to providing Narcan kits to pregnant, delivering, and postpartum patients and to the mothers of infants.

Please take a brief [survey here](#) and share your experiences.

**THE PRAF INFORMS MEDICAID OF A PATIENT'S PREGNANCY & ENSURES CONTINUOUS ENROLLMENT**



Please remember to use the Ohio Department of Medicaid's electronic Pregnancy Risk Assessment Form (e-PRAF or PRAF

**2.0) to enroll a pregnant patient and ensure continuous enrollment during pregnancy, delivery, and postpartum.**

This is especially important because the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services continuous enrollment provision for Medicaid-insured individuals allowed during the pandemic ended April 1, 2023.

The e-PRAF platform is located at [nurturohio.com](https://nurturohio.com).

You can access the e-PRAF manual and updated videos to reflect the change in how users get access and log into PRAF 2.0 by accessing the online manual or via YouTube:

- Access the updated [manual here](#).
- Access updated YouTube [video here](#).

Individuals needing additional help in submitting e-PRAFs through the NurtureOhio platform should email [Momsandbabies@medicaid.ohio.gov](mailto:Momsandbabies@medicaid.ohio.gov).

