

Maternal Fetal Newborn Standing Committee

This committee is supported by working groups and a network of members across Alberta. It is co-chaired by:

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Purpose:

The Standing Committees of the Maternal Newborn Child & Youth (MNCY) Strategic Clinical Network (SCN) advance the mandate of the MNCY SCN by identifying and guiding the focus and priorities for the SCN. The Standing Committees provide a provincial forum for clinical and other stakeholders to address maternal, newborn, child and youth health issues. The work of these committees will guide the building of maternal and child capacity and capability across the Alberta health care system. The focus specifically is:

- Patient outcomes, using evidence & measurement (effectiveness)
- Patient satisfaction & experience (accessibility and acceptability)
- Clinical practices, including appropriateness of care (effectiveness & appropriateness)
- Efficiency and reduction in unjustifiable clinical practice variation (efficiency & effectiveness)
- Patient & system safety (safety)
- Value for money (efficiency, effectiveness, appropriateness)
- Prevention of disease and proactively lessen specific burdens of illness in Alberta.



Responsibilities:

The Maternal Fetal Newborn Standing Committee of the MNCY SCN shall:

- Define specific performance measures and recommend organizational performance and tactical measures.
- Address issues related to the maternal fetal newborn population.
- Identify and address gaps between current practice and best practice.
- Utilize appropriate data to set priorities to identify and prioritize population and geographic variation, equity & disparity in the delivery of care, promotion of health & prevention of disease.
- Develop recommendations and evaluate quality, safety and access improvement strategies or initiatives based on identified priorities.
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- Create standard provincial evidenced based approaches to care.
- Include policies, standards, data requirements, performance measures, benchmarking and cost effectiveness measures in reports on progress
- Support related research activities.
- Support related accreditation activities province wide and provide expert guidance to related services.
- Communicate and champion committee activities to appropriate clinician and stakeholder groups
- Lead relevant Knowledge Translation and develop mechanisms to share learning's across the organization.
- Following critical review of evidence and stakeholder feedback, endorse guidelines, pathways and strategies that support improved maternal, fetal and newborn outcome for provincial application.

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