

RESOLUTION

Subject: Maternal Mortality Rates

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Referred to: Reference Committee

WHEREAS, the United States is the only industrialized country in the world with an increasing maternal mortality rate; and

WHEREAS, the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology (ACOG) has identified that African American women are four times more likely to die from pregnancy related complications than any other race in the United States¹; and

WHEREAS, data collected in the state of Kentucky is limited, and focuses on the number of pregnant women and births per county, and not broken down by demographic; and

WHEREAS, information about maternal demographics and outcomes in our state could help improve education and counseling for our patients; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Kentucky Medical Association speak with invested partners like the Cabinet for Health and Family Services, the KY Chapter for ACOG, and others to advocate for ways to improve maternal mortality rates in the state of Kentucky in the context of state and federal laws.

References

¹ American College of Obstetricians and Gynecology: Federal Legislative Activities on Maternal Mortality. Last accessed August 4, 2019. <https://www.acog.org/About-ACOG/ACOG-Departments/Government-Relations-and-Outreach/Federal-Legislative-Activities/Maternal-Mortality?IsMobileSet=false>