



**State of Louisiana**  
Louisiana Department of Health  
Office of Public Health

**LOUISIANA COMMISSION ON PERINATAL CARE AND PREVENTION OF INFANT MORTALITY**

**March 20, 2025**  
**1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

**Location:**  
Louisiana State Capitol  
900 N Third Street  
Baton Rouge, LA  
Governor's Press Room

**Meeting link for members of the public**  
<https://zoom.us/j/6789754537?pwd=QVRlMUg4UzhPdDBaZHBHc2ZMRkY5dz09&omn=95046458509>  
Phone: 1.312.626.6799 Conference code: 674551 Passcode: meeting

**AGENDA**

- I. Call to Order – Chair/Presiding Officer
- II. Roll Call – Chair/Presiding Officer (5 minutes)
- III. Perinatal Commission Statute/Charge Review- Louisiana Legislative Resolution RS 40:2018. Subsection F
- IV. Public Comment
- V. Approval of Meeting Minutes (5 minutes)
  - a. January 16, 2025
- VI. New Business (15 minutes)
  - a. Chair Election: Nominations, Discussion and Vote (15 minutes)
- VII. LaPQC 2024 Results and 2025 Initiatives Updates – Dr. Veronica Gillispie-Bell (20 minutes)
- VIII. Increasing Engagement of Perinatal Providers in the Provider-to-Provider Consultation Line – Paulette Carter, Mental Health Consultation Program Manager, LDH-BFH
- IX. Public Comment
- X. Other Business
  - a. Perinatal Commission Vacancies—Family Practitioner; Neonatologist
- XI. Announcements
  - a. The Louisiana Doula Registry Board began accepting applications on February 11, 2025
  - b. Next Perinatal Commission Meeting: May 15, 2025
- XII. Adjournment

The Commission will undertake all of its responsibilities assigned by Louisiana Legislative Resolution RS 40:2018. Subsection F. outlines the functions of this Commission to: §2018. Commission on Perinatal Care

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and Prevention of Infant Mortality; maternal and infant mortality studies; confidentiality; prohibited disclosure and discovery

A. There shall be established within the Louisiana Department of Health, a commission which shall be designated the "Commission on Perinatal Care and Prevention of Infant Mortality", composed of sixteen members, as provided in Subsection B of this Section.

1. Research and review all state regulations, guidelines, policies, and procedures that impact perinatal care and, when appropriate, make recommendations to the secretary of the Department of Health and Hospitals.
2. Research and review all state laws that impact perinatal care and, when appropriate, make recommendations to the legislature.
3. Accept grants and other forms of funding to conduct maternal and infant mortality studies
4. Contract, in accordance with the applicable provisions of state law, for the performance of maternal and infant mortality studies

Note: the order of the agenda may not be followed as listed in order to accommodate presenter schedules.

Presenters, members, and guests may submit requests for accessibility and accommodations prior to a scheduled meeting. Please submit a request to [PerinatalCommission@la.gov](mailto:PerinatalCommission@la.gov) at least 48 hours prior to the meeting with details of the required accommodations.

In lieu of verbal public comment, individuals may submit a prepared statement in accordance with Senate Rule 13.79. Statements should be emailed to [PerinatalCommission@la.gov](mailto:PerinatalCommission@la.gov) and must be received at least 24 hours prior to the meeting to be included in the record for the meeting.