What every OB provider needs to know to save a mother’s life

In Florida, drug-related deaths are the leading cause of death (1 in 4 deaths) for women during pregnancy through one year postpartum.

Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) is a life-threatening chronic medical condition with lifesaving treatment available. Every OB Provider needs to know how to screen for OUD, assess readiness for treatment, and complete an OUD Clinical Care Checklist to reduce risk and improve outcomes for every pregnant/postpartum woman with OUD.

**Key Steps to Improve Maternal Outcomes**

- Screen every pregnant woman for OUD using validated screening tool
- Assess readiness for Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT)
- Initiate MAT and link to Recovery Treatment Programs
- Provide Naloxone (Narcan) counseling and prescription
- Reduce stigma across clinical team

**Important Resources for OB Providers**

- SAMHSA Treatment Referral Routing Service
  Confidential, 24/7, 365 days/year
  1-800-662-HELP (4357)
  https://findtreatment.samhsa.gov

- UCSF Provider Warmline
  Clinical consultation for perinatal providers
  1-855-300-3595
  9am-8pm ET

- FPQC Maternal Opioid Recovery Effort (MORE) Toolkit & Resources
  www.fpqc.org/more
  fpqc@usf.edu

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