

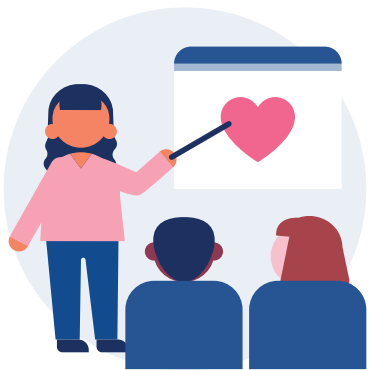


Illinois Perinatal Quality Collaborative **Equity and Safe Sleep for Infants Initiative**

What is ESSI?

Building upon the foundational work of the ILPQC Birth Equity initiative, Equity and Safe Sleep for Infants (ESSI) will promote neonatal equity, address racial and social inequities, and seek to reduce neonatal health disparities in sudden unexpected infant death (SUID) related to the sleep environment.

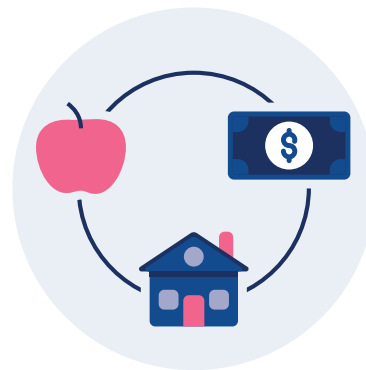
The Seven Es of ESSI



EDUCATE healthcare professionals on providing equitable and respectful care



ESTABLISH hospital leadership commitment to an inclusive clinical environment



EVALUATE for social determinants of health needs and link to needed resources



ELEVATE parent voices and stories in quality improvement (QI) work



EMPOWER parents, caregivers and healthcare professionals to participate in respectful safe sleep conversations



ENGAGE community organizations and outpatient providers



EXPAND race and ethnicity data collection strategies and processes to improve health outcomes for all infants



About Illinois Perinatal Quality Collaborative (ILPQC)

ILPQC is a statewide network of perinatal clinicians, nurses, hospitals, patients, community stakeholders, and public health leaders that aim to equitably improve outcomes and reduce disparities for mothers, birthing persons and infants across Illinois. For more information about ILPQC, please email us at info@ilpqc.org.