



TIPQC Annual Meeting Agenda

March 24-26, 2026
Franklin, TN



Tuesday, March 24

7:00- 8:30 PM **Film Screening - 24 Days Without You & Facilitated Discussion** Annie Sterle & TN ACOG _____ Saddlebred, Highland, Morgan

Wednesday, March 25

7:30-8:00 AM **Registration** _____ *Registration Desk*

8:00-8:45 **Welcome & Opening Remarks** Brenda Barker, MEd, MBA _____ *Salon 1-6*
Remarks Commissioner John Dunn, DVM, PhD, EMBA, Deputy Commissioner Tobi Amosun, MD, Tennessee Department of Health, Karen Schetzina, MD, MPH & Cornelia Graves, MD

8:45-9:30 **Improvement Around the United States through Perinatal Quality Collaboratives** Veronica Gillispie Bell, MD, MAS

9:30-10:00 **Amniotic Fluid Embolism (AFE) Patient Experience** Kerri Claybrooks & Annie Sterle

10:00-10:20 **Respectful Care Panel with Patients & Families** Karen Schetzina, MD, MPH

10:20-10:35 **Spotlight on Community Resources & Poster Winners** Patti Scott, DNP, APN, NNP-BC, C-NPT & Bonnie Miller, RN, MSN

10:35-10:45 **Break** _____ *Conference Center*

10:45-12:15 **Workshops**

- Substance Use Disorder (SUD)/Opioid Exposed Newborn (OEN) Track: History of Addiction, Pitfalls of Toxicology & A Patient's Reflection** Jessica Young, MD, MPH & Anna Morad, MD _____ *Salon 1-6*
- Maternal: Severe Maternal Morbidity (SMM) Hemorrhage & AFE** Annie Sterle, Ravpreet Singh Gill, MD, Bonnie Miller, RN, MSN, Cornelia Graves, MD, Danielle Tate, MD, MBA _____ *Saddlebred, Highland, Morgan*
- Quality Improvement (QI) Methodology, Common Tools, and Reliability of Interventions** Eva Dye, DNP _____ *Carothers*
- Infant: Surfactant Administration through Laryngeal or Supraglottic Airways (SALSA) & Simulation Training (SIMS)** Scott Guthrie, MD _____ *Williamson*

12:15-2:00 PM **Networking Lunch with Community Resources** _____ *Conference Center*

12:30-1:15 **Patient & Family Partners Lunch** _____ *Williamson*

12:45-2:00 **SIMS: Maternal Hemorrhage** _____ *Stryker Truck*
SIMS: Infant _____ *Franklin*

QI Poster Session: Winner Oral Presentations _____ *Mustang, Quarter Horse, Palomino*

2:30-4:30 **Workshops**

- SUD Track: Maternal – Anesthesia & Universal Postpartum Naloxone at Hospital Discharge** Jessica Young, MD, MPH & Donald Stader, MD _____ *Mustang, Quarter Horse, Palomino*
- OEN Track: Infant -Nursery Best Practices** Karen Schetzina, MD, MPH & Anna Morad, MD _____ *Carothers*
- Maternal: Cardiac Conditions in Obstetric Care (CCOC) & TDH Maternal Innovation (MHI)** Cornelia Graves, MD, Bonnie Miller, RN, MSN, Lynlee Wolfe, MD, Hannah Dudney, MD _____ *Salon 1-6*
- NICU: Necrotizing Enterocolitis (NEC)** Scott Guthrie, MD & Patti Scott, DNP, APN, NNP-BC, C-NPT _____ *Saddlebred, Highland, Morgan*

3:30-4:30 **Community Resource Meeting** _____ *Salon 7-10*

4:30-6:00 **Celebration Reception, Posters, and Exhibitor Tables** _____ *Salon 7-10, Hallway*

5:00-6:00 **Interest Meetings:**

- Maternal Perinatal Regional Centers** Etoi Garrison, MD, MPH _____ *Mustang, Quarter Horse, Palomino*
- Naloxone Project, OEN & SUD Clinics & Provider Meet & Greet** _____ *Saddlebred, Highland, Morgan*
- Rural Health Meet & Greet** _____ *Williamson*

5:00-7:00 **SIMS: Maternal Hemorrhage** _____ *Stryker Truck*

6:00-8:00 **Board Meeting (Members ONLY)** Susan Guttentag, MD _____ *Carothers*

*Lactation Room Available in Appaloosa

Thursday, March 26

7:00-8:00 AM	Registration _____	<i>Registration Desk</i>
7:15-8:15	SUD Track: The Naloxone Project Kick Off Donald Stader, MD _____	<i>Franklin</i>
8:30-8:45	Opening Remarks Brenda Barker, MEd, MBA _____	<i>Salon 1-6</i>
	Greetings Representative Caleb Hemmer	
8:45-9:30	Fireside Chat Assistant Commissioner Elizabeth Harvey, PhD, MPH & Jona Bandyopadhyay, MD, MPH	
9:30-10:20	Perinatal Mental Health Disorders: An Overview Birdie Gunyon Meyer, RN, MA, PMH-C	
10:20-10:30	Break	
10:30-12:00 PM	Workshops	
	1. NICU: Tennessee’s Tiniest Babies: Hospital Acquired Infection (HAI) Kickoff Scott Guthrie, MD, Patti Scott, DNP, APN, NNP-BC, C-NPT _____	<i>Saddlebred, Highland, Morgan</i>
	2. SUD/OEN Track: Best for All - Mental Health Birdie Gunyon Meyer, RN, MA, PMH-C & Rolanda Lister, MD _____	<i>Mustang, Quarter Horse, Palomino</i>
	3. Infant: Born To Thrive: Late Preterm Project Kick Off Karen Schetzina, MD, MPH _____	<i>Carothers</i>
12:00-1:30	Awards Luncheon Susan Guttentag, MD _____	<i>Salon 1-6</i>
	Straw Poll Voting, TIPQC 2025 Champion Awards, Panel: Chronic Lung Disease, NEC, CCOC, and BEST for All Projects	
2:00-4:00	TDH: Tennessee Breastfeeding Coalition: Annual Meeting _____	<i>Carothers</i>

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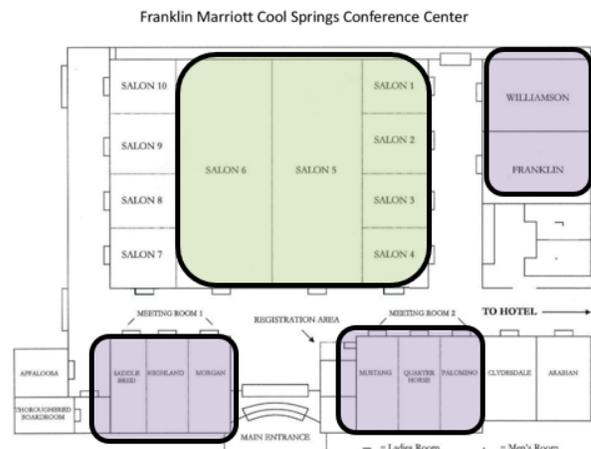


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Guest Speakers



Tobi Adeyeye Amosun, MD, FAAP, is the Deputy Commissioner for Population Health at the Tennessee Department of Health, overseeing the offices and divisions of Family Health and Wellness, Population Health Assessment, Primary Prevention, Vital Records/Statistics, and the State Chief Medical Examiner. Prior to her state tenure, she served as

medical director for one of the largest pediatric practices in Tennessee. Amosun graduated with honors from Vanderbilt University, with degrees in Biology and Art History. She completed medical school at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine as a recipient of the Richard King Mellon Foundation award and her pediatrics residency at the Children's Hospital Pittsburgh. She is a fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics and a board member of numerous professional societies. Dr. Amosun is a recognized speaker and writer whose work has been featured by local, state, and national organizations.



Jona Bandyopadhyay, MD, MPH known as "Dr. B," serves as the Deputy Chief Medical Officer for the Division of TennCare. A board-certified OB/GYN, she completed her residency at the University of Florida and spent several years in private practice before earning a Master of Public Health from the Georgetown University Milken Institute School of Public Health. Jona brings a strong clinical foundation and a deep commitment to public health to her role at TennCare, where she leads strategic initiatives and drives policy development. She is passionate about

improving the experience of TennCare enrollees and supporting the providers who care for them. Her recent work has focused on advancing the agency's Maternal Health Strategy and collaborating closely with the Division of Quality Oversight and the Behavioral Health Unit to support whole-person care. She is also a proud mother of two daughters and serves on the board of the March of Dimes, continuing her advocacy for maternal and child health.



Kerri Claybrooks is a proud Nashville native and a passionate educator with almost two decades of experience nurturing young minds. As a Gifted and Talented Teacher serving students from Pre-K through 5th grade, Kerri is known for her creativity, compassion, and unwavering belief in the potential of every learner. Beyond the classroom, Kerri is a devoted wife and a proud mother to three amazing

children. Her family fuels her passion for education, justice, and community-building. Kerri brings warmth, wisdom, and a collaborative spirit to every space she enters. Whether leading a workshop, mentoring fellow educators, or cheering on her children, she leads with heart and purpose.



Hannah Dudney, MD is the Associate Medical Director of Women's Health for the Tennessee Department of Health, Division of Family Health and Wellness. Dr. Dudney obtained her medical doctorate from the University of Tennessee College of Medicine and her residency in obstetrics and gynecology at Vanderbilt University Medical Center. Additionally, she completed a post-graduate medical ethics certificate at Vanderbilt University. Dr. Dudney is board-certified by the American Board of

Obstetrics and Gynecology. She practiced obstetrics and gynecology at Centennial Women's Group before joining the Department of Health in 2022. With the Tennessee Department of Health, Dr. Dudney provides clinical expertise for the department's maternal and child health programs. She co-chairs the Tennessee Maternal Mortality Review Committee and the Tennessee Perinatal Advisory Committee.



Commissioner John R. Dunn, DVM, PhD, EMBA-SL is the Interim Commissioner of Health. Dr. Dunn completed a PhD in veterinary medical sciences (Epidemiology and Community Health) at Louisiana State University and an Executive Master of Business Administration-Strategic Leadership from the Haslam School of Business at the University of Tennessee. Dr. Dunn received a commission in the U.S. Public Health Service and joined the Centers for Disease Control and

Prevention in July 2003. In 2007, Dr. Dunn joined the Tennessee Department of Health, where he has held several key leadership roles including strengthening public health infrastructure, emergency preparedness, and disease prevention initiatives. In 2019, Dr. Dunn was named State Epidemiologist directing the Communicable and Environmental Diseases and Emergency Preparedness division. In July 2025, Dr. Dunn was appointed Interim Commissioner of the Department of Health.



Eva Dye, DNP is a Neonatal Nurse Practitioner with over 20 years of NICU experience and currently practices at the Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt. She received her MSN from the Vanderbilt University School of Nursing and her DNP from the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga in 2017. In addition to caring for infants in the NICU, Eva is the Quality Improvement Projects Manager for the NICU.

Her research interests include workload of neonatal nurses and providers and mechanical ventilation of infants in the NICU.



Etoi Garrison, MD, PhD is an Associate Professor in the Division of Maternal Fetal Medicine, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Vanderbilt University Medical Center. She completed an MD - PhD program in Pharmacology at Tulane University School of Medicine. Her early research training has led to a lifelong interest in the management of women with medical complications during pregnancy. She currently leads the diabetes section for the Division of Maternal Fetal Medicine and is the principal

investigator on a 2021 Grant from the TN Maternal Mortality Committee.



Ravpreet Singh Gill, MD graduated from Boston University and St. George's University School of Medicine, completed his internal medicine residency at Jersey City Medical Center and Anesthesiology residency and OB anesthesiology fellowship at Maimonides Medical Center in Brooklyn, NY. Dr. Gill has worked in Memphis since 2009 with several health systems. He has a special interest in regional anesthesia, and enjoys the multifaceted aspects of

his career, caring for patients from infancy to the elderly. He has also helped establish a pre-operative clinic to optimize patients scheduled for surgery, addressing the needs of high-risk patients.



Veronica Gillispie-Bell, MD is a nationally recognized OB/GYN, researcher, and maternal health advocate. She is the System Medical Director of Health Outcomes and Medical Director of Quality for Women's Services across Ochsner Health and directs the Minimally Invasive Center for the Treatment of Uterine Fibroids. She is also a Professor at Xavier Ochsner College of Medicine and the Medical Director for the Louisiana Perinatal Quality Collaborative and Pregnancy-Associated Mortality Review for the Louisiana Department of Health. As an advocate,

she has spoken before Congress, at the White House, and US Department of Health and Human Services. She serves on several national committees including ACOG's Committee on Clinical Practice Guidelines – Obstetrics, where she serves as the Vice-President, and the National Network of Perinatal Quality Collaboratives Executive Committee. As a trusted national voice in maternal health, she has been featured on CNN, Good Morning America, CNBC, and *The 1619 Project Docuseries*, and quoted in *The New York Times* and *USA Today*.



Scott Guthrie, MD, is a Professor of Pediatrics at the University of Tennessee College of Medicine - Chattanooga, serves as the Director of Neonatal Quality, Research, and Outreach for the Erlanger Health System, and is a neonatal intensive care specialist at the Children's Hospital at Erlanger. Dr. Guthrie previously served as Infant Medical Director for the Tennessee Initiative for Perinatal Quality Care, where he led statewide efforts including the Optimal Cord Clamping project. He currently

leads Tennessee's Tiniest Babies project focused on reducing complications in extremely preterm infants. He has been a U.S. State Department Fulbright Scholar Specialist and has extensive international experience teaching and implementing neonatal care improvements in low- and middle-income countries on five continents. Dr. Guthrie is actively involved as an investigator in several clinical trials including the use of the supraglottic airway device for resuscitation and surfactant delivery (SALSA).



Elizabeth Harvey, PhD, MPH is the Assistant Commissioner of Health and Director of the Division of Family Health and Wellness at the Tennessee Department of Health (TDH). In this position, she leads TDH efforts in maternal and child health, chronic disease prevention, health promotion and supplemental nutrition. Prior to this role, Dr. Harvey served as a senior field assignee in the Division of Reproductive Health at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Harvey

received her PhD in Population, Family, and Reproductive Health from Johns Hopkins University's Bloomberg School of Public Health and her Master of Public Health in Maternal and Child Health from the University of North Carolina Gillings School of Global Public Health.



Representative Caleb Hemmer is a lifelong Nashvillian serving the 59th District. A graduate of Metro Nashville Public Schools, the University of Tennessee-Knoxville, and later received his M.B.A. Representative Hemmer has served as an aide to Governor Phil Bredesen and as an executive with the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development. He also spent seven years as a

commissioner on the Metro Board of Fair Commissioners, helping lead the redevelopment of the Nashville Fairgrounds, including the expo center and the Nashville SC stadium. In the private sector, he has worked in renewable energy and healthcare, currently serving in development at Longevity Health Plans to expand access to affordable, high-quality healthcare for vulnerable seniors.



Anna Morad, MD is an Associate Professor of Pediatrics at Vanderbilt University Medical School and is the Medical Director of the Newborn Nurseries for Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt. Dr. Morad is the past Infant Medical Director for Tennessee Initiative for Perinatal Quality Care (TIPQC). She has led statewide quality improvement projects around breastfeeding promotion, care of late preterm infants, and care for opioid exposed newborns. She is also a past President of Tennessee Chapter of the American

Academy of Pediatrics. She is the Pediatric Director for Firefly, a project that coordinates care for moms with opioid use disorder and their infants. Dr. Morad is co-PI for the SHINE program which provides a medical home model and developmental surveillance for infants and children with opioid exposure. She has co-authored comparative effectiveness reviews on ankyloglossia, infantile hemangioma, and tonsillectomy.



Birdie Gunyon Meyer, RN, MA, PMH-C is the founder of the Perinatal Mood and Anxiety Disorders Program at Indiana University. She is Certified in Perinatal Mental Health and is an Internationally known expert and speaker. She is a Past-President for Postpartum Support International (PSI) and is currently the Director of Education and Training. Birdie led the development of the first International Perinatal Mental Health Professional Certification. She is also the co-author of a book chapter for *Behavioral Health*

Services with High-Risk Infants & Families. Birdie is a childbirth education and a lactation counselor, as well as serves on her state MMR. She is in a soon to be released documentary, "More Than Blue" and is in PSI's video "Healthy Mom, Happy Family: Understanding Pregnancy and Postpartum Mood and Anxiety Disorders". Birdie has been speaking to audiences for over 28 years and is an International Trainer for PSI's 2-day "Perinatal Mood Disorders, Components of Care" and "Advanced Psychotherapy" 1-day training.



Donald Stader, MD is a board-certified emergency and addiction medicine physician, naloxone and harm reduction expert, film producer, and social entrepreneur. He is a nationally recognized leader in addressing the opioid crisis, pain management, medication for addiction treatment, and harm reduction. Dr. Stader is founder and Executive Director of the clinician-led nonprofit, The Naloxone Project, as well as the Co-Founder and CEO of the healthcare consulting company Epifluence. Don has served as

President of the Colorado chapter of American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) and currently chairs the national ACEP addiction medicine committee. Don practices Emergency and Addiction Medicine at Lincoln Health in Hugo, CO and served as Editor-in-Chief of multiple medical guidelines addressing the opioid crisis.



Annie Sterle is a maternal health advocate, speaker, and documentary filmmaker whose journey into advocacy began after surviving a rare and often fatal Amniotic Fluid Embolism (AFE). Following her recovery, she created the award-winning documentary, *24 Days Without You*, which captures the clinical complexity and emotional aftermath of

her experience and serves as a powerful tool to improve outcomes for future patients. Annie's work has been featured in hospitals, academic institutions, and national conferences, where it continues to spark important conversations about crisis preparedness, provider communication, and trauma-informed care. Annie lives in Minneapolis with her family.



Jessica Young, MD, MPH Obstetrician-Gynecologist and Addiction Medicine specialist. An Associate Professor at Vanderbilt University Medical Center in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, she pioneered the Firefly Program which is an outpatient treatment program for women that integrates substance use disorder treatment with prenatal, postpartum care, and well woman care and serves as the medical director of this multidisciplinary program. She is the past Maternal

Medical Director of the Tennessee Initiative for Perinatal Quality Care (TIPQC) and the state physician lead for the maternal arm of the TIPQC Opioid Use Disorder in Pregnancy Project. Board-Certified in both Obstetrics-Gynecology and Addiction Medicine, she has spoken regionally and nationally on the issue of substance use disorder in pregnancy and is an advocate for pregnant women and their families.