



**HEALTHY MOTHERS,
HEALTHY BABIES**

healthy mothers, healthy babies *Coalition of Georgia*



Legislative Event 2023

MATERNAL HEALTH AWARENESS DAY

January 23rd, 2023

12 AM - 4 PM

PROGAM



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



Advocacy Partner Lunch

WHERE: Central Presbyterian Church

WHO: Maternal Health Advocates

WHEN: 12:00 PM - 1 PM

Press Conference on Maternal Health Awareness

WHERE: Liberty Plaza

WHO: Advocates, Partners, and Sponsors

WHEN: 1:30 PM - 2 PM



Chalk It Up Community Rally

WHERE: Liberty Plaza

WHO: Open to the Public

WHEN: 2 PM - 4 PM



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Allison Glass

9 to 5 Georgia



Margaret Master

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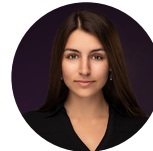
Gabrielle Rogers

National Coalition of 100 Black Women
Decatur-DeKalb Chapter, Inc.



Donna Jacobs

Full Spectrum Doula



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Miriam Goodfriend
NAMI Georgia



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Shannon Stevenson
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Kameron Dawson
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Luminary: PSI Georgia



Postpartum Support International Georgia Chapter

Our mission is to promote awareness, prevention, and treatment of maternal mental health issues related to childbearing in Georgia.

Help us support GA families by donating at:

PSIGA.ORG

UPCOMING EVENTS

3RD ANNUAL Black Maternal Mental Health Summit

May 2023

Join us for a training in Macon March 28-30

- 3/28 & 3/29 Perinatal Mood Disorders: Components of Care
- 3/30: Advanced Perinatal Mental Health Psychotherapy Training

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Sponsors

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National Council of Jewish Women
Atlanta Section

We Focus On

Advocacy Issues:

Reproductive Rights & Justice;
Voting Rights; Gun Safety;
Maternal & Child Healthcare; and
Judicial Nominations.

Community Services:

Atlanta Jewish Coalition for Literacy
(tutor in six Title 1 schools);
Refugee & Immigrant Resettlement;
Food Insecurity;
Feminine Healthcare Insecurity;
Teen Contraception Education



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women, children, and families
and to safeguard individual
rights and freedoms.*



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INSPIRING MOTHERS 2023

Saturday, April 29, 2023 | 6:00-9:00 PM | Wild Heaven Brewery (West End)

SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE!

Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition of Georgia (HMHBGA) will be dedicating this special evening to celebrating all the mothers in our community!

SMALL BITES AND POP-UP SHOPS | 6:00 PM

Refreshments and small bites will be provided to attendees as they browse pop-up shops from local creatives.

IMPROV HOUR | 7:00 PM

More information coming soon!

AWARD PRESENTATION | 8:00 PM

Join an intimate conversation on motherhood with our Mom of the Year.

**LEARN MORE
ABOUT THE EVENT**



Or visit:
bit.ly/3EsEGwk

RAFFLE ITEM DONATIONS

We are accepting donations for raffle prizes. Funds raised from this event will be used to support our programs that reach thousands of Georgia families each year.

If you are able to help, please send donation items to:
2200 Century Pkwy NE, Suite 460
Atlanta, GA 30345.

For questions or additional information, contact:

Daphne Yuan

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CHAROLETTE WILEN ADVOCATE OF THE YEAR AWARD

The Wilen Award acknowledges the hard work and efforts of our State's lawmakers to improve maternal and child health through policy change. Charlotte Wilen was an avid advocate for Georgia families during her life and was the founder of HMHBGA in 1974.

Senator Dean Burke



**We honor Senator
Deane Burke for his
work on the
Medicaid
Postpartum
Extension in this
previous session.
THANK YOU
Senator Burke for
your advocacy and
dedication to
Georgia's moms.**

Project 236

Project 236 is an advocacy tool that can be used to understand the state of maternal and infant health in your legislative district! Advocates are encouraged to use this tool to speak with their legislators about comprehensive policy changes. Statistics based on county-level data for all of Georgia's 236 districts on

- Preterm birth
- Low birthweight delivery
- Infant mortality rate
- Rates of inadequate prenatal care

How to Use Project 236 in Advocacy

How does your district compare to the state of Georgia overall? Is there an area where your Senate district is performing lower? Speak with your Senator about how comprehensive policies can address negative outcomes. Does your House district have outcomes that are better than the state of Georgia? Talk with your Representative about what they can do to make sure it stays that way or even improves.

Find the Data for
Your District



2023 LEGISLATIVE POLICY AGENDA



Support the expansion and advocacy efforts of the perinatal workforce in our state.



- Support Doula Medicaid Reimbursement and provide a safety net fund for prenatal, birth, and postpartum doula services.
- Increase access to legislative process for doulas and midwives.
- Increase successful integration of doulas and midwives into the health care system.

Join the Doula Access Working Group

To get involved, please email Chanel Stryker-Boykin, our Perinatal Workforce Specialist at chanel.stryker-boykin@hmhbga.org

[Read more about our Medicaid Doula Pilot.](#)





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Support legislation to protect pregnant and postpartum employees in the workplace.



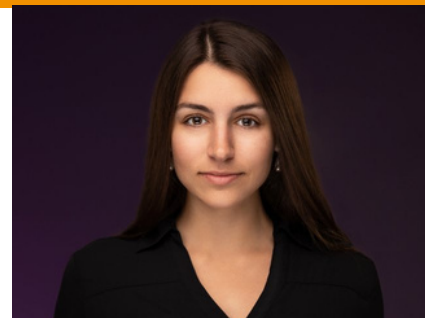
- Support a federal and state law that ensures pregnant and postpartum receive appropriate workplace accommodations.
- Support expansion of paid family and medical leave for all private and public sector employees in the state.

PREGNANT WORKERS FAIRNESS ACT

[Sign our letter urging our federal senators to bring the Pregnant Workers Fairness Act to a vote!](#)

Join the Georgia Coalition for Pregnant Workers

To get involved please email Madison Scott, Policy and Research Manager at madison.scott@hmhbga.org





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Increase access to adequate oral healthcare for pregnant women.



- Reduce pregnancy discrimination in oral health care.
- Increase provider knowledge about oral health care for pregnant and postpartum people.
- Extend Medicaid to include oral health codes for pregnant people up to 12 months postpartum.

WHY ORAL HEALTH CARE?

Poor oral healthcare can result in pregnant persons experiencing premature delivery, low birth weight, pre-eclampsia, pregnancy tumors, and tooth decay.

Join the Oral Health Working Group

To get involved please email Fowzio Jama, our Research Coordinator at fowzio.jama@hmbag.org





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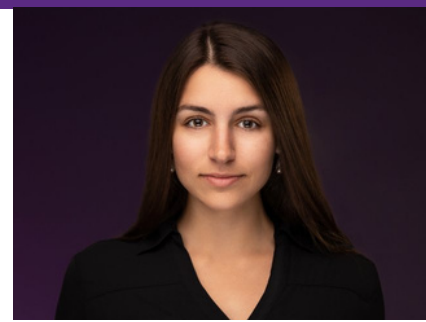
Improve the physical and mental health and wellness of pregnant and postpartum people.



- Increase representation of maternal mental health in all mental health and substance abuse discussions and policies.
- Increase reimbursements for pregnancy related or associated mental health conditions.
- Expand prenatal and postpartum screening, education, and direct maternal mental health services.
- Address and reduce maternal substance abuse and intimate partner violence.

Join the Maternal Mental Health Taskforce and Medicaid Utilization Working Group

To get involved please email Madison Scott, Policy and Research Manager at madison.scott@hmhbga.org





2023 LEGISLATIVE POLICY AGENDA



**Expand the funding and improve health of
infants in our state.**



- Ensure adequate funding to the Department of Public Health's Maternal & Child Health Section.
- Ensure optimal use of the Medicaid pathways for maternal and infant health.
- Support increasing the state tobacco product excise tax on both tobacco and tobacco alternative products.

[Check out our 236 advocacy tool.](#)

Join the Infant Mortality Working Group

To get involved please email Precious Andrews,
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