

To: AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Providers

Date: June 29, 2022

Subject: March of Dimes Breaking Through Bias™ in Maternity Care Provider Training

Summary: Save the Date! AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana has partnered with the March of Dimes® to offer *Dismantling Bias in Maternal and Infant Healthcare™* provider training.

In alignment with our mission and our commitment to advancing health equity, AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana has partnered with the March of Dimes® to offer a unique learning opportunity: *Dismantling Bias in Maternal and Infant Healthcare™*. AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana is pleased to offer this provider training at no cost to participating providers.

Maternal mortality rates in the United States continue to rise compared to other industrialized countries, and tragically 60% of these deaths are preventable.¹ Disparate maternal outcomes are a result of complex and multifaceted factors that require thoughtful and effective countermeasures. Training alone won't solve this crisis, but it can provide actionable tools, awareness, education, and enriched dialogue surrounding Black maternal health as we work together toward solutions to help reduce disparities in the communities we serve.

The training will include state specific data; learning outcomes will highlight:

- Overview of implicit bias and personal assessment.
- Understand and be able to identify implicit bias, the cognitive basis that informs bias, and its impact on maternity care setting.
- Historical overview of structural racism in the U.S.
- Application strategies to mitigate racial bias in maternity care, such as the CARES Framework™ and the practice of cultural humility.
- Strategies to build a culture of equity within an organization.

Providers will have the option to select from a virtual, instructor led- training, facilitated by March of Dimes®, or self-paced e-learning. The virtual, live instructor- led training will be hosted on **Wednesday, July 27, 2022**. We encourage providers interested in the live training to register early because training seats are limited and first come-first serve. The e-learning sessions will be available beginning September and will be accessible until the Spring of 2023. Training and registration details will follow.

Questions: Thank you for your continued support and commitment to the care of our members. If you have questions about this communication, please contact AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Provider Services at 1-888-922-0007 or your [Provider Network Management Account Executive](#).

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Where can I find more information on COVID-19?

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