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The White House Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP), the National Network of Perinatal Quality Collaboratives (NNPQC) coordinated by the National Institute for Children's Health Quality (NICHQ), and the National Center on Substance Abuse and Child Welfare (NCSACW) recently hosted a webinar on implementing Plans of Safe Care (POSC) to support infants, parents, and caregivers affected by substance use disorder. This webinar supported the Biden-Harris Administration’s Drug Policy Priority to “explore, identify barriers, and establish policy to help pregnant people with substance use disorder (SUD) obtain prenatal care and addiction treatment without fear of child removal.” The webinar highlighted Oklahoma’s collaborative approach to supporting infants and families affected by prenatal substance use, including the partnership with the Oklahoma Perinatal Quality Improvement Collaborative, the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, and the Department of Human Services.

Participants were introduced to state Perinatal Quality Collaboratives and the technical assistance resources available through NCSACW. Hear from national experts to learn more about:

- Oklahoma’s implementation of family care plans during the prenatal period to improve outcomes for families and prevent unnecessary child placement and to support these infants, families, and caregivers
- Oklahoma’s changes in health care, substance use disorder treatment, and child welfare systems that support collaborative practice
How Oklahoma has aligned and integrated cross-system supports for substance-exposed infants

Speakers:

- Stephen W. Patrick, MD, MPH, MS, FAAP, Senior Policy Advisor, White House Office of National Drug Control Policy
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- Nancy K. Young, PhD, MSW, Executive Director, Center for Children and Family Futures Project Director, National Center on Substance Abuse and Child Welfare
- Teri Kook, MSW, Senior Program Associate, Children and Family Futures National Center on Substance Abuse and Child Welfare
- Barbara O Brien, MS, RN, Director, Oklahoma Perinatal Quality Improvement Center
- Teresa Stephenson, M Ed, Senior Director, Adult & Family-Centered Substance Use Treatment and Recovery Services, Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services
- Deborah Shropshire, MD, Director, Child Welfare Services, Oklahoma Department of Human Services