

***The committee has identified this emerging issue for providers, healthcare facilities and organizations from the third quarter of Maternal Mortality Reviews:***

- Community members should establish evidence-based violence prevention and interruption activities to minimize community violence; supported by state and community organizations that should educate individuals at risk for domestic violence on resources available throughout the community.
- Providers should conduct screenings and referrals for social determinants of health to promote patient adherence to medical advice.
- The state of TN should increase DCS funding for workforce retention to support the ability of DCS to strengthen screening and referral protocols for families who experience children being removed from the home.
- County jails and correctional facilities should implement a liaison referral system with other state agencies.
- Facilities/MCO's should support and increase reimbursement and funding for social work and case management services for pregnant and postpartum women in rural hospital settings.