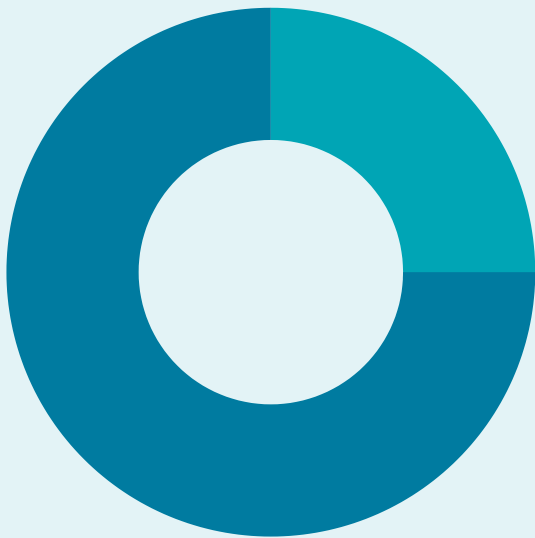
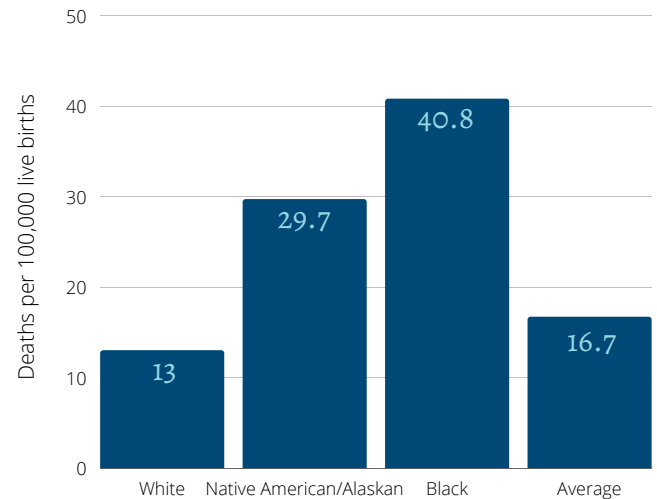


## Pregnancy Related Deaths

About 700 women die each year in the US due to complications of pregnancy. These rates are much higher for Black and Native American/Alaskan women. Studies have shown a relationship between this and the likelihood of Black women to receive lower quality of obstetric care.



## More Demographics

Black women are 3 to 4 times more likely than white women to die a pregnancy-related death, often one that is preventable with proper care.

Part of this is because of black women's increased possibility of having other conditions that put them at higher risk. This statistic holds true across varied income and education levels.

## Other Conditions

Black women are more likely to have additional health conditions that cause complications during pregnancy and birth. Some of these include hypertension (high blood pressure), fibroids, and preeclampsia. They're also more likely to have chronic stress (because of socioeconomic pressures) that creates 'weathering' and make it harder for them to have children at younger ages than white women.



# MALONE'S APPROACH

## Maternal Wellness Program

Malone's Maternal Wellness Program works to combat inequalities in the healthcare system by providing education and resources specifically tailored to those in the BIPOC community. They work to provide doulas free of charge to any BIPOC family who needs them. Doulas help provide support through pregnancy, birth, and after, informing the mother of her options during birth and helping with mother-baby bonding and breastfeeding after birth.



## Other Resources and Further Information

[MALONE MATERNAL WELLNESS PROGRAM](https://bit.ly/38KrnLm) (<https://bit.ly/38KrnLm>)

This links directly to the Maternal Wellness Program. The page has more specific information about resources and services they offer to mothers and families, including FAQs about doulas and contact information for anyone interested in enrolling in their programs or becoming a doula.

[RACIAL/ETHNIC DISPARITIES IN PREGNANCY-RELATED DEATHS](https://bit.ly/3MGhxJi) (<https://bit.ly/3MGhxJi>)

This link leads to our source for some of the statistics above, based on a CDC report from 2007 to 2016.

[REDUCING BLACK MATERNAL MORTALITY](https://bit.ly/3vXwmAD) (<https://bit.ly/3vXwmAD>)

This is another page by the CDC with information about what resources are available to support families during pregnancy, as well as what the CDC and the healthcare system can and are doing to change the black maternal health crisis. There are a lot of links to further information here.

[BLACK WOMEN'S MATERNAL HEALTH](https://bit.ly/3s2o6ek) (<https://bit.ly/3s2o6ek>)

This website, run by the National Partnership for Women and Families, provides information on the disparities in healthcare, specifically maternal healthcare, and what we can do to change them.