

Q&A from Webinar:

Integrating Fetal and Infant Mortality Review (FIMR) and Perinatal Periods of Risk (PPOR) for better Maternal Child Health Outcomes

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1. How often or frequent would a PPOR study yield new info?

a. (Carol Gilbert): How often the PPOR info would change depends on what health systems changes are going on, the community's analytic and administrative resources, and how many deaths there are (to be able to detect a significant change). From the time trend slide I showed, we see meaningful changes in 4 years. I would recommend at least every five years to coordinate with Title V reports.

2. What strategies would you recommend for choosing a reference population?

a. (Carol Gilbert) I recommend involving the community in choosing a reference group and help guide Phase 2 analyses and interpret data. That takes time, as do the full Phase 2 analysis, and implementation/monitoring. A community focusing on two periods might alternate between the periods for the full Phase 2 analysis, doing every four years (for example).