

March of Dimes Update to the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Infant Mortality



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Born at 28 weeks

Weighing 3 lbs

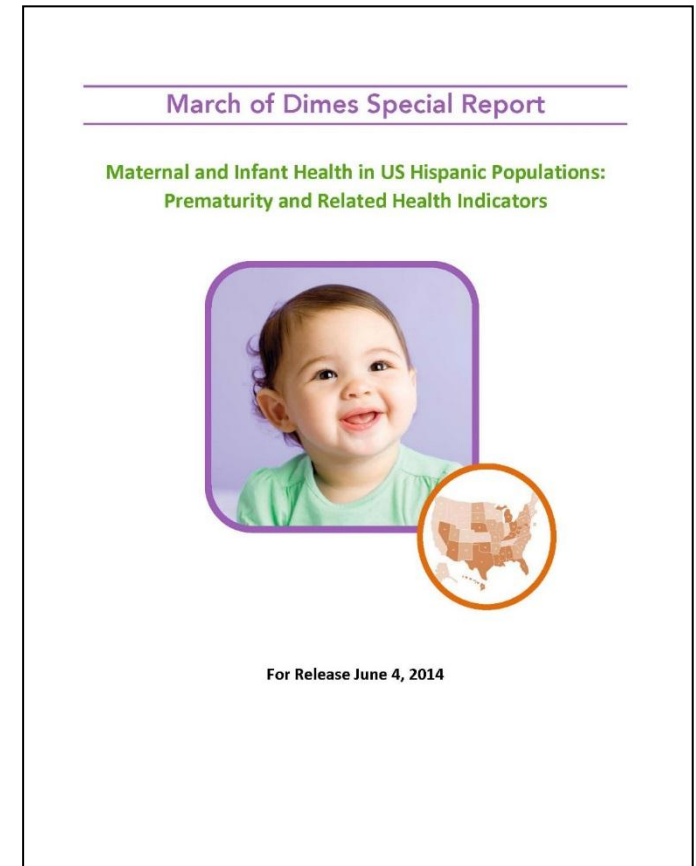


Legislative Update

- **Appropriations for key MCH programs**
- **Newborn Screening Saves Lives Reauthorization Act**
 - Passed Senate 1/29/14, passed House 6/24/14
 - Reauthorizes key federal programs, DACHD
- **PREEMIE Act**
 - Promoting appropriations

Hispanic Outreach

- Redesign and relaunch of nacersano.org
- Creation of Hispanic Advisory Council
 - Co-chaired by Drs. Jose Cordero and Diana Ramos
- **New report**, Maternal and Infant Health in US Hispanic Populations: Prematurity and Related Health Indicators



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prematurity campaign

2013 progress report

Celine Dion joins the
March of Dimes in support
of World Prematurity Day



- Preterm birth rate declines in **ALL** racial and ethnic groups
- California & Alaska reach 9.6% Goal
- 8% decrease in 4 states (Arizona, Indiana, Massachusetts, Utah)
- Prematurity Research Center #2 – Ohio Collaborative
- Global Research Agenda Set

Patient Safety

- **Early elective deliveries**
 - Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services reported that rates of EED decreased approximately 50% in hospitals in the Partnership for Patients QI program
 - Leapfrog reports 3 fold EED Drop (17.9% - 5%)
- **Newborn Screening**
 - “Deadly delays,” timeliness of sample testing

Thank you!

