# COUNTY INFANT MORTALITY ANALYSIS

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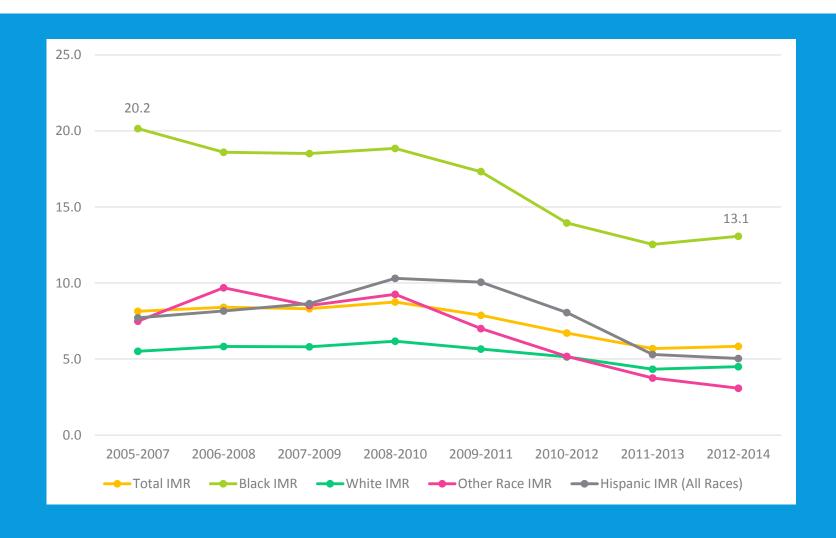
- Priority: Healthy moms & babies
- Goal: Eliminate infant mortality
- · Strategy: Eliminate racial disparity in infant mortality
- Objective: Reduce black-white infant mortality gap to less than 2.0 by December 31, 2018

### FLORIDA INFANT MORTALITY RATES BY RACE AND HISPANIC ETHNICITY (2005-2014)

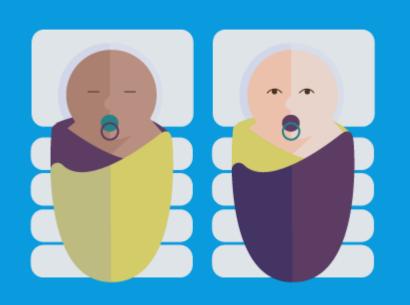


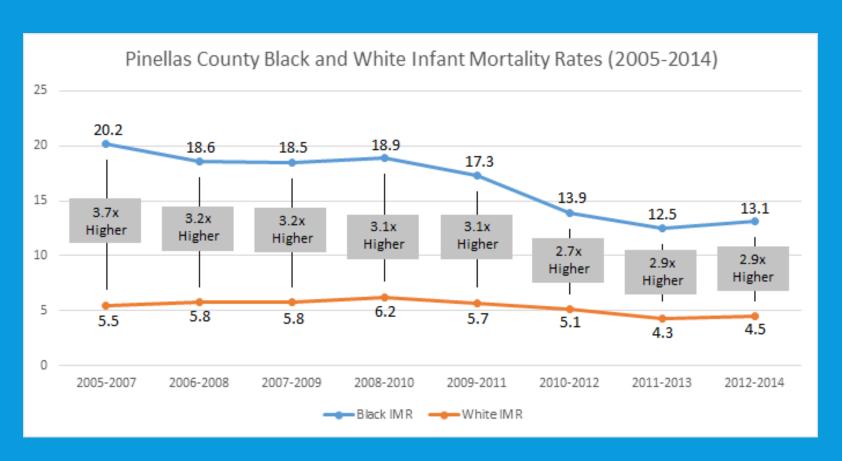
### PINELLAS INFANT MORTALITY RATES BY RACE AND HISPANIC ETHNICITY (2005-2014)

- On the rise from 2005-2010, general decrease from 2010-2014
- Overall decline in black IMR
- Slight increase in white, black, and total IMRs 2012-2014
  - Flattening out or building back up?



### BLACK/WHITE INFANT MORTALITY GAP

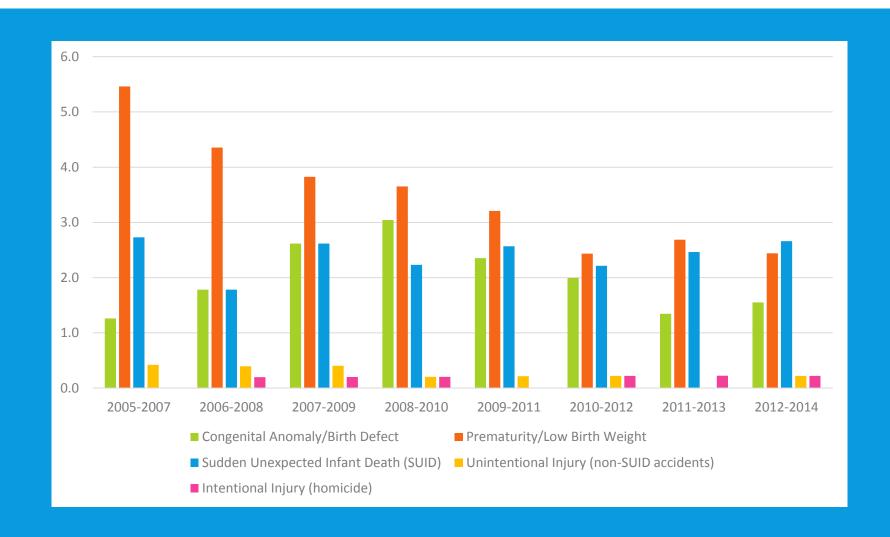




#### SELECT CAUSES OF INFANT DEATH

- **2012-2014**
- Total
  - Highest: Sudden Unexpected Infant Death (SUID) & Prematurity/Low Birth Weight
- Black
  - · Highest: SUID
- White
  - **Highest:** Congenital Anomaly/Birth Defect
- Hispanic
  - Highest: Prematurity/LBW

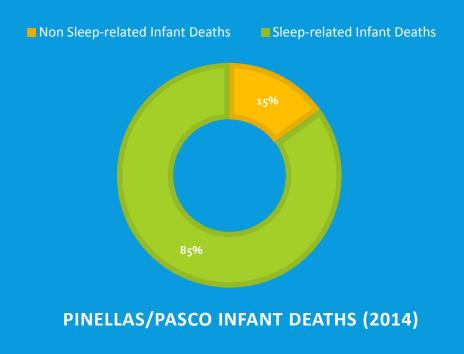
## CAUSE-SPECIFIC BLACK INFANT MORTALITY RATES (2005-2014)



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- Undetermined
- Asphyxia (in bed or elsewhere)



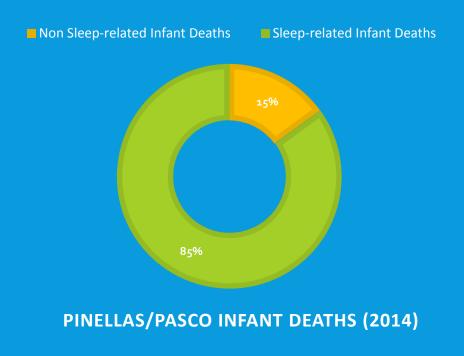


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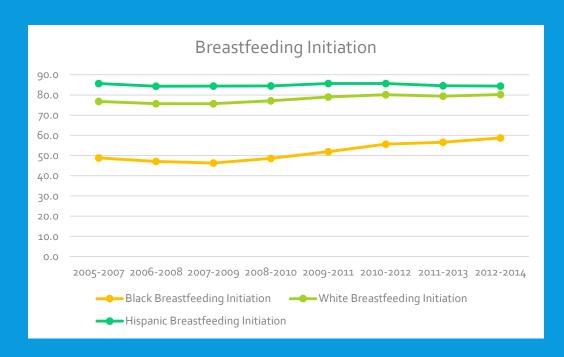
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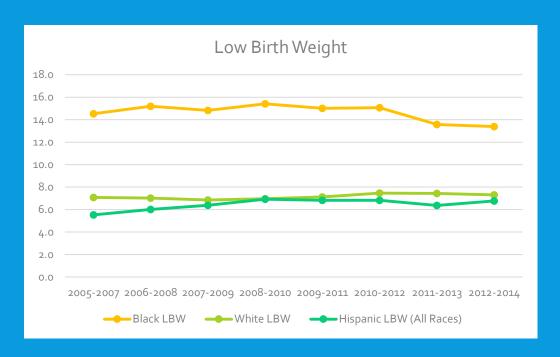




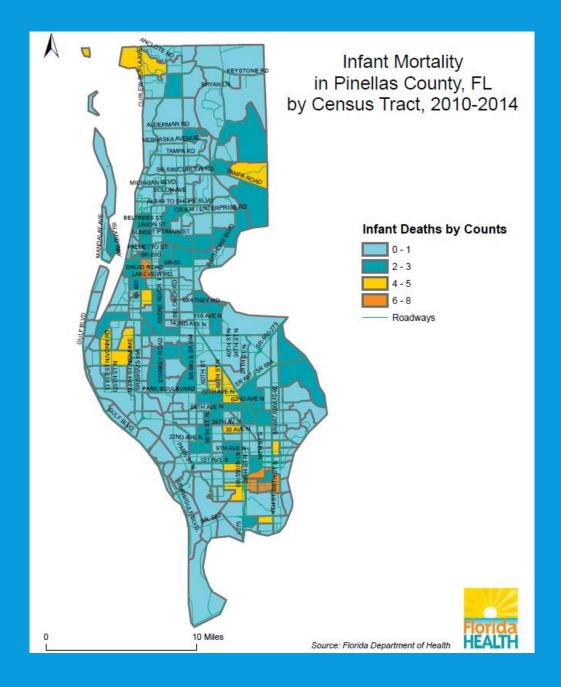
#### INFANT HEALTH FACTORS



 Black infant breastfeeding rate 22% lower than white (improvement from 29%)



- Black infant LBW rate 6% higher than white (improvement from 8%)
- Similarly for preterm and VLBW births





#### SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH

- Vast array of resources addressing multiple social determinants of health, including:
  - Area hospitals
  - Area churches and life centers (food, clothing, shelter, ESL)
  - Domestic Violence, Community Health, Adult Education, and Neighborhood Family centers
  - Free clinics
  - Early childhood services
  - Pregnancy centers
  - 6 DOH Locations

- Law, housing, and employment assistance
- Lactation specialists
- Parenting education
- Healthcare navigators
- Pinellas Urban League
- Smoking cessation, teen parent, and home visiting programs
- Transportation services
- WIC & Nutrition
- Focus efforts on connecting community members with the appropriate resources

#### CONCLUSIONS

- Reduce Black/White IMR Gap
- Address safe sleeping
- Address breastfeeding and preconception/prenatal care
- Connect individuals with available community resources

Next Step: Gain community input!