

## INLAND EMPIRE PERINATAL MENTAL HEALTH COLLABORATIVE

When? 1st Wed of the Month from 10 AM to 12:00 PM

<u>Where?</u> For the months of March, May, July, September and November at:

Inland Regional Center

1425 S. Waterman Avenue - Library San Bernardino, California 92408

For the months of January, February, April, June, August and October at:

The Wylie Center

4164 Brockton Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Riverside, California 92501

<u>Vision</u> To promote maternal and family mental health by raising awareness, decreasing stigma and providing

effective resources for women experiencing maternal mental health disorders.

<u>Mission</u> To increase prevention efforts, screening, and treatment of women with maternal mental health

disorders to reduce child abuse and to promote long term quality of life for the mother and her family.

Why? Our collaborative formed in 2009 after the murder of a 17 month old boy, Garrison Burchett, by his

mother. At that time of his murder, there were no specialized support groups or treatment services for women suffering from a maternal mental health disorder in Riverside County and San Antonio Hospital had the only support group in San Bernardino

County. We wanted to change this.

Website: <a href="www.embracingfamilies.blogspot.org">www.embracingfamilies.blogspot.org</a>

## Some of the participating agencies include:

- Riverside County Dept of Mental Health
- San Bernardino County Dept. of Behavioral Health
- San Bernardino County Children and Family Services
- Riverside County Dept. of Public Social Services
- Riverside County Public Health Nursing
- Riverside County Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health
- San Bernardino County Health Department
- California State University San Bernardino
- Mt. St. Mary's College in Los Angeles
- Loma Linda Hospital
- Parkview Community Hospital
- IEHP
- First 5 Riverside and First 5 San Bernardino
- The Wylie Center
- Family Service Association of Riverside County
- As well as other organizations, non-profits, and women and family members who have experienced perinatal mood disorders ...

## What Do We Need?

We are seeking new members. Membership requires participation in any of the following sub-committees: (1) Professional Training/ Education (2) Grand Rounds (3) Strategic Planning (4) Community Outreach / Advocacy; (5) Fundraising; and/or (6) Services for Fathers and Extended Family members. We also love to have members join with a wide variety of skills who are interested in volunteering to help women and their families. We are specifically in need of someone willing to donate their time as a graphic artist, a dancer, a publicist, an event coordinator, and/or physicians, law enforcement officials and attorneys.

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<u>RSVP</u>? To RSVP or to obtain further information, please contact Lisa

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