INFANT MORTALITY FACTS

* Infant mortality is defined as the death of a baby before his or her first birthday

* The infant mortality rate (IMR) is the number of babies who die in the first year of life, per 1,000 live births

* Of the 597 Indiana infant deaths in 2014, 63 occurred in the Northern Hospital Region

* Black infants are 2.5 times more likely to die than white infants in Indiana & 4.3 times more likely in the Northern Hospital Region

* Neonatal Infant Death = 0 – 27 Days

* Post-Neonatal Infant Death = 28 – 364 Days

PRACTICES TO REDUCE INFANT MORTALITY

• Improve overall health for women of child-bearing age
• Promote early & adequate prenatal care
• Decrease early elective deliveries before 39 weeks
• Decrease prenatal smoking & substance abuse
• Increase breastfeeding duration & exclusivity
• Support birth spacing & interconception wellness
• Promote the ABC’s of safe sleep: place baby to sleep alone, on his or her back, in a crib
BIRTH OUTCOME INDICATORS
Northern Hospital Region 2014

INDIANA QUICK FACTS
• Smoking rates among pregnant women are always one of the nation’s worst
• Almost 1/3 of pregnant women do not receive early PNC
• Black women in Indiana are more likely to have a LBW or preterm baby & not get early PNC
• White women in Indiana are more likely to smoke during pregnancy

NORTHERN REGION QUICK FACTS
• Lower percentage of LBW and preterm babies when compared to Indiana
• Lower percentage of women receiving PNC in the first trimester
• Higher percentage of women breastfeeding at discharge
• Higher percentage of mothers on Medicaid

For more information on birth outcomes in your area, please see the Indiana State Department of Health Natality Report, Table 32 (http://www.in.gov/isdh/reports/natality/2014/index.htm)

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LBW = Low Birthweight  PNC = Prenatal Care  IMR = Infant Mortality Rate

^ = Rate per 1,000 live births

• Bottom number is percent difference from State