

# THE MATCH

The SURE MatCH Group's Newsletter  
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**OUR MISSION** IS TO IMPROVE MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH THROUGH CONDUCTING AND DISSEMINATING RESEARCH THAT INFORMS PRACTICES AND POLICIES THAT HELP INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES RECOVER FROM AND PREVENT SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS. KEY TO OUR MISSION IS PARTNERING WITH COMMUNITIES, SCIENTISTS, PRACTITIONERS AND POLICYMAKERS TO TRANSLATE KNOWLEDGE AND DEVELOP PREVENTION STRATEGIES TO PROMOTE MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH AND PREVENT PROBLEMATIC SUBSTANCE USE.

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# HOT TOPICS

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*A study led by Dr. Qiana L. Brown, director of the SURE Match Group, titled "Trends in Marijuana Use Among Pregnant and Nonpregnant Reproductive-Aged Women, 2002-2014," is in the top 5% of all research outputs ever, according to Altmetric!*

*Congratulations to Dr. Brown on this monumental achievement!*

# HOT TOPICS

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Dr. Qiana L. Brown, the SURE MatCH Group's director, was invited by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to a maternal health listening session and panel discussion moderated by U.S. Surgeon General VADM Dr. Jerome Adams, given her work to improve maternal and child health in New Jersey. The meeting included remarks from the First Lady of New Jersey, Tammy Murphy, Dr. Shereef Elnahal, CEO, University Hospital and Anthony Ferreri, DBA, HHS Region II Director.

**Congratulations to Dr. Brown on receiving the prestigious invitation to attend this event to contribute to the discussion to improve maternal and child health!**

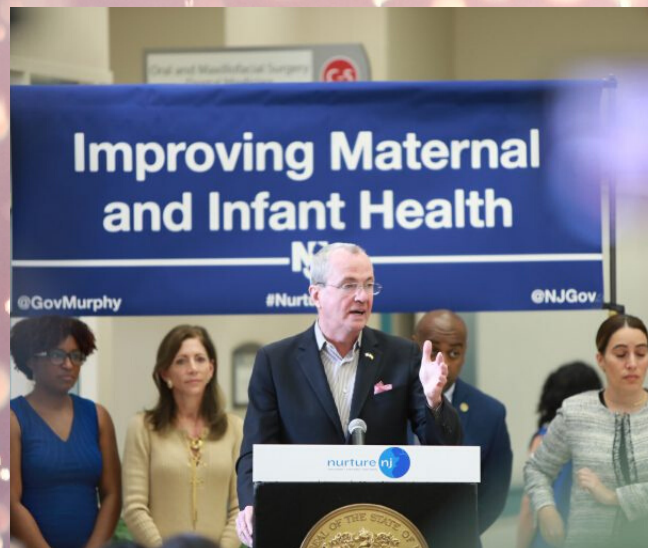
# NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH'S CORNER

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## NEW JERSEY MATERNAL HEALTH REPORT CARD

The Maternal Health Report card is a yearly mandated report of maternal healthcare provided at NJ licensed acute general care hospitals (per statute P.L. 2018, c.82)

[Click here to learn more!](#)



## SURVEY

Prior to publishing the second NJ Maternal Health Report Card, the New Jersey Department of Health Team is seeking feedback on the current website to aid in the improvement of its user friendliness. Interested individuals may participate by taking this 10-minute online survey

[Click here to take the survey!](#)



# CHARITY SPOTLIGHT

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## JANE'S HOUSE OF INSPIRATION (JHOFI) IS CELEBRATING 14 YEARS OF SERVICE!

Jane's House of Inspiration (JHOFI) has engaged in 14 years of service helping women, families and communities treat and prevent substance use disorders and related problems. In 2006, JHOFI started as a single phone line in Alabama, which women could call for substance use treatment referrals and other social services, such as linkage to shelters for those trying to escape domestic violence. Over the past 14 years JHOFI accomplished the following:

- Expanded their service area to include Alabama, Maryland and Pennsylvania (specifically, Philadelphia the hometown of their namesake, Ms. Jane Lee Britton).
- Conducted numerous community health conferences and service events in partnership with churches, universities, state and local government and persons with lived experience.
- Purchased a facility in Baltimore, Maryland where they link people to a host of recovery resources, provided primary care and counseling for substance use disorders, and engage in community outreach.
- Served as a medical rotation site for the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine and trained medical residents in women's health, community health, research and substance use prevention.

JHOFI was founded by Dr. Qiana L. Brown, in honor of her late mother, Ms. Jane Lee Britton, a kind, intelligent woman of great faith who battled substance use disorders and domestic violence throughout her life.

**Click here to connect!**



# WHAT'S NEW?

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## Rapid Dissemination: Knowledge and Resource Sharing

Rapid Dissemination is a new SURE MatCH Group initiative, which aims to help disseminate and translate information in order to promote knowledge and resource sharing and clear communication between researchers, practitioners, policymakers and the community.

### ? How do we know if mental health support is helping people to get 'better'?

ICHOM ([www.ichom.org](http://www.ichom.org)) is an international non-profit organization that brings together clinicians, researchers, and patients to improve healthcare worldwide. Together, we are developing a standardized set of health outcome questions asked of individuals when they seek support for psychosis, personality disorder, or substance use or addictive behaviour disorders.

We would like to know what you think about our proposed list of outcomes - **have we captured the things that are most important to you?**

If you know of family members or friends who may be interested in taking part, please feel free to pass this information along.

For questions or further information, please contact Luz Fialho, ([l.fialho@ichom.org](mailto:l.fialho@ichom.org)), Program Manager, ICHOM.

Please help us improve this recommendation by participating in our survey:

**Experience of personality disorder, psychosis, or substance use or addictive behaviour disorders – either as an individual or carer.**

**10 minutes, online**  
*Please note no identifying information will be collected*

**18+ years of age**

**Citizen of the UK**



<http://bit.ly/MHPatientVal>

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### ? How do we know if mental health support is helping people to get 'better'?

Which outcomes are **most important** and how can we measure them?

An international group, including clinicians, researchers, and those with lived experience, have proposed a core set of outcomes for those with **psychosis, personality disorder and/or substance use or addictive behaviour disorders.**

We hope healthcare providers around the world will start measuring these outcomes to help improve the quality of care.

If you have experience as an individual or a carer for one or more of these conditions, we would like to know what you think of this recommendation.

**Please complete our survey!**

**5 minutes**

**Online (Anonymous)**

**18+ years of age**

**UK**



<http://bit.ly/MHPatientVal>

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Luz Fialho, ([l.fialho@ichom.org](mailto:l.fialho@ichom.org)), Program Manager, ICHOM.

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Caregivers and people with lived experience please take the opportunity to provide feedback on outcome measures, developed by ICHOM, related to substance use, mental health and gaming/gambling disorders.

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Possible unintended consequences for pregnant women of legalizing cannabis use

Study led by SURE MatCH Group director Dr. Qiana Brown

Are Eating Habits Associated with Adequate Sleep among High School Students?

Study led by SURE MatCH Group health scientist Dr. Trishnee Bhurosy, and Dr. Krishna Thaigarajah

Maternal adverse childhood experiences, current cumulative risk, and behavioral dysregulation among child welfare involved children

Study co-authored by SURE MatCH Group consultant Dr. Emily Bosk.

Prescription Benzodiazepine Use in Privately Insured U.S. Children and Adolescents

Study co-authored by SURE MatCH Group consultant Dr. Stephen Crystal.

Patterns and Correlates of Prescription Opioid Receipt Among US Veterans: A National, 18-Year Observational Cohort Study

Study co-authored by SURE MatCH Group consultant Dr. Stephen Crystal.

Predictors of initiation of and retention on medications for alcohol use disorder among people living with and without HIV

Co-authored by SURE MatCH Group consultant Dr. Stephen Crystal.

Metabolic Monitoring Rates of Youth Treated with Second-Generation Antipsychotics in Usual Care: Results of a Large US National Commercial Health Plan

Study co-authored by SURE MatCH Group consultant Dr. Stephen Crystal.

Examining Relationships Among Student Empowerment, Sense of Community, and the Implicit Curriculum: A Multigroup Analysis of Race and Ethnicity

Study co-authored by SURE MatCH Group consultant Dr. Antoinette Farmer.

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The population randomization observation process (PROP) assessment method: using systematic habitation observations of street segments to establish household-level epidemiologic population samples

Study co-authored by SURE MatCH Group consultant Dr. Debra Furr-Holden.

Expanding Tools for Investigating Neighborhood Indicators of Drug Use and Violence: Validation of the NifETy for Virtual Street Observation

Study co-authored by SURE MatCH Group consultant Dr. Debra Furr-Holden.

The Continuum of Community Engagement in Research: A Roadmap for Understanding and Assessing Progress

Study co-authored by SURE MatCH Group consultant Dr. Debra Furr-Holden.

Neighborhood Profiles and Associations with Coping Behaviors among Low-Income Youth

Study co-authored by SURE MatCH Group consultant Dr. Debra Furr-Holden.

Features of U.S. Primary Care Physicians and Their Practices Associated with Advance Care Planning Conversations

Study co-authored by SURE MatCH Group health scientist Molly Nowels.

Alcohol Advertising and Violence

Study co-authored by SURE MatCH Group consultant Dr. Debra Furr-Holden.

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