

# Engaging in Care and Serving Hard-to-Reach Women

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## Presentation Objectives

This session will focus on improving women's health and health equity. The presentation will also include strategies retaining hard-to-reach women in care by way of authentic engagement and providing high quality services. We will also discuss the various aspects of inequity that impact Women and Children. Policy and Practice implications for health equity specific to women's health will also be discussed.

## Highlights

- "Infant mortality is a surrogate measure of how well a society ensures the health of its people, particularly it's women and children" – 2013 Annual Report
- Health equity is fostered by assuring the conditions for optimal health for all people; valuing people equally; recognizing and rectify historical influences; and providing resources according to need
- Small changes such as bus tokens, family literacy programs, job readiness etc. have the potential to make big impacts in addressing problems, such as lack of prenatal care or clients with limited formal education.
- Policy and Practice Implications for cross collaborative partnerships regarding systems impacted women.

## Resources

- **Prevention at the Intersections** (<http://www.preventionagenda.org>)
  - Creating and implement transformative responses to violence and other forms of harm in marginalized communities. Through community research, program development, and training Prevention at the Intersections works with public and private sector organizations to build our collective capacity for effective and just practices.