

## Preeclampsia: What You Need to Know

Between five and eight 5-8% percent of pregnancies in the U.S. are affected by preeclampsia each year.

15-20%

Worldwide, 15-20% of preterm births are attributable to preeclampsia.

In the U.S. pregnancy-related 7.4% deaths resulting from hypertensive disorders including preeclampsia is 7.4%.

Preeclampsia doubles stroke risk in women and quadruples high blood pressure risk later in life.

Women who suffer from preeclampsia can also experience mental health issues, including post-partum depression and post-traumatic stress disorder.

## Economic Impact

Preterm birth not only puts newborns at risk, but also increases health care spending. The overall burden of preeclampsia was \$1.03 billion for mothers and \$1.15 billion for infants.

\$2.18 Billion

## Policy Priorities

- Improve patient and provider awareness about preeclampsia symptoms and how to respond.
- Improve policymaker awareness about preeclampsia and other hypertensive disorders of pregnancy.
  - Grow investment in preeclampsia research and its connection to short- and long-term health care risks.
    - Collaborate with states and federal agencies to improve the maternal morbidity and mortality review process.
      - Advance efforts to discover new screening and diagnostic tools and treatments.