

Steering Committee

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Perinatal Community Advisory Committee

Co-facilitated by NNEPQIN and community partners

- Seeks input, guidance, and perspectives from the birthing and parenting community
- 9 members/people with lived experience
- Participation in NNEPQIN educational programs and guideline development
- Other activities and projects identified and deemed important by PCAC members

Meetings: 10x/year

Confidential Review & Improvement Board (CRIB)

Requires BAA

Open to NNEPQIN member organizations in NH & VT who sign a BAA and bring a case or assist with a case review

- Provides independent & confidential peer review of perinatal cases with unanticipated adverse outcomes, with structured feedback for participating organizations

Meetings: as needed for cases submitted; usually 2x/year

Guidelines Committee

Ad hoc

Open to NNEPQIN members who have interest in developing guidelines

- Develops topic-specific, multi-disciplinary teams to draft clinical guidelines, which are refined with broad input from NNEPQIN members
- Reviews and reaffirms or revises existing guidelines every two years or as needed based on emerging evidence

Meetings: determined by group as needed for specific guidelines