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Michigan Native American
Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System

With your help, we can improve the health of Native Mothers and babies in Michigan. Your survey is very important.

To ask questions or to do the survey on the phone, call us at:

1.877.403.1970

Important Information About the Native American PRAMS Project

What is PRAMS?

The Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS) is a research project sponsored by the Michigan Department of Community Health. The purpose of PRAMS is to find out why some babies are born healthy and others are not. This information is then used to plan programs that improve the health of mothers and babies.

Why is there a special Native American PRAMS?

The yearly Michigan PRAMS does not include enough Native infants to provide information that is helpful for understanding maternal and infant health among American Indians in Michigan. As a result, this particular PRAMS project was designed to include only mothers of Native infants. In Michigan, Native babies tend to have poorer health than other babies and are less likely to survive to their first birthday than other babies. This project is interviewing women to find out what can be done to create better opportunities for good health among Native Americans in Michigan. By participating in this project and answering some questions about your recent pregnancy you can help us learn more about how to improve the health of Native babies and mothers.

My baby and I are healthy. Should I still participate?

Yes! We want everyone to participate so we can learn about all factors—both good and bad that influence health. Every single reply is helpful and important.

Who is conducting this project?

This Native American PRAMS is being conducted by a partnership between the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Epidemiology Center, the Michigan Department of Community Health's Practices to Reduce Infant Mortality through Equity (PRIME) project, Michigan PRAMS, and Michigan State University.

How long does the survey take and what is it about?

The survey takes about 30-40 minutes to answer all questions. The survey asks for information about your pregnancy and health. Some questions may be sensitive, such as questions about smoking or drinking during pregnancy. What we learn from the Native American PRAMS will be used to plan programs to help mothers and babies in Michigan.

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