Reducing Maternal Morbidity and Mortality: The Providence Oregon Approach

SPEAKER BIOS

Mark Tomlinson, MD
Maternal Fetal Medicine Specialist and General Medical Director, Obstetric Services, Providence Health System

Dr. Tomlinson is the Regional Medical Director of Obstetric Services, Providence Health System in Oregon and a practicing Maternal Fetal Medicine Specialist. He has been involved with Quality Improvement work for a number of years currently serving on the Oregon March of Dimes Perinatal Collaborative Steering Committee, The Joint Commission Perinatal Technical Advisory Panel, and the Perinatal Quality Foundation Board of Directors.

Laurel Durham, RN, MPH
Regional Director, Women’s Services, Providence St. Joseph Health

Laurel is the Regional Director of Women’s Services at Providence St. Joseph Health, with accountability for strategic and programmatic oversight for Women’s Services across the acute and outpatient settings in Oregon. Her clinical background is in nursing, primarily working with women and children in acute, outpatient and public health settings. She received her Bachelors of Science in Nursing and Master’s in Public Health from Oregon Health Sciences University in Portland, Oregon.

Laurel is currently the administrative lead for Providence St. Joseph Health’s system wide OB clinical focus group (6 state, >40 hospitals with births), leads the OB Quality committee of the Council for Women and Infant Specialty Hospitals (CWISH), and is on the Interstate Advisory Committee for the Maternal Data Center (sponsored by the California Maternal Quality Care Collaborative).

For over 20 years, Laurel has been dedicated to strong patient/family/caregiver engagement, quality improvement, and innovative solutions to practice and cost challenges in healthcare. She works closely with internal and external stakeholders, from diverse clinical and industry backgrounds, to create, align and execute a vision for the enhancement of women’s health.