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MEETING AGENDA

Monday, October 17, 2022

9:30 AM via Zoom

The Women & Children's Health Committee is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Women & Children's Health Committee Zoom Meeting

Time: Nov 14, 2022 09:30 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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I. Introductions

II. Overview of Perinatal Psychiatric disorders and Strategies to Improve Care- Sharon Thomason, Ph.D.

III. Pregnancy-Related Mortality in Connecticut- Iva Kosutic, Ph.D.

IV. Other Business, Announcements, and Meeting Adjournment

Next Meeting: December 12, 2022 at 9:30 AM via Zoom

Sharon Thomason, Ph.D., PMH-C, is a perinatal Psychologist who has helped Connecticut families deal with “baby challenges” for over 30 years. She received her doctorate degree from Texas Tech University. In addition to her perinatal work, Dr. Thomason helps families with grief and life transitions and provides mentoring and supervision/consultation services to other clinicians.

Dr. Thomason has served on the state’s Maternal Mortality Review Committee from 2018 to the present. She helped found the Connecticut Chapter of Postpartum Support International (PSI-CT). Sharon has served PSI-CT as President, chair of the Communication Committee, and as a member of the Support and Communication committees. She co-founded the ongoing free ABC: Adjustment to Baby Challenges Support Circle and continues to volunteer as a facilitator of this free weekly support for perinatal Moms.