

## 2020 IHI National Forum on Quality Improvement in Health Care

## **Example of a Successful Proposal with Learning Objectives and Description**

Title of Proposal: Better Maternal Outcomes: Redesigning Systems with Black Women

Track: Improvement Science

## Objectives (minimum of two or a maximum or three)

- 1. Describe current inequitable maternal health care experiences within delivery systems.
- 2. Identify principles of humble and respectful co-design within health care systems and community stakeholders.
- 3. Examine the method and application of gathering and testing ideas that the Washington, DC and Detroit communities are applying in their journeys.

## **Proposal Description:**

A growing awareness of preventable maternal harm stems in part from striking racial inequalities in outcomes in the United States. High-volume delivery centers in Washington, DC and Detroit have partnered with community organizations and individuals. They codesigned services which build trust and improve outcomes. This work is based on critical quality improvement principles: that those most affected by the delivery system possess a wealth of change ideas, and that communities possess key assets for improvement.