

Recording: Free Webinar on Opioid Abuse in Pregnancy and Breastfeeding

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT: Webinar Regarding Rising Opioid Abuse Trends in Developing Babies

BRENTWOOD, TN –“On an almost daily basis I take care of women struggling with opioid addiction or dependency in pregnancy and the post-partum period.” Sarah Obican, MD, Maternal-Fetal Medicine Subspecialist at the University of South Florida, knows she’s not alone as the opioid epidemic rages on in America. “I actively screen patients in early pregnancy and see them on our antepartum units.” It’s a crisis she and other birth defects experts from the Organization of Teratology Information Specialists (OTIS) are trying to curb by offering the latest data surrounding opioid exposure in pregnancy and lactation during a free webinar held on January 24, 2018.

For those who missed the live webinar, a recording of it can be accessed for free at the following link (you’ll have to fill out a registration form before the recording will play): <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6698504499390044674>

“The Opioid Epidemic: Its Impact on Pregnancy and Breastfeeding” webinar was a joint collaboration with the National Society of Genetic Counselors (NSGC) and, in addition to OTIS, included presenters representing the Teratology Society and the Society of Maternal-Fetal Medicine. The webinar covers an overview of the association of opioid use in late pregnancy and the risk of Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS), the risk for malformations and adverse neurobehavioral effects in fetuses exposed to opioids in-utero, as well as the effects of opioid exposure on the breastfed infant. CEUs are available, but only for members of the Prenatal SIG through the NSGC.



More about OTIS

The Organization of Teratology Information Specialists (OTIS) is a professional scientific society made up of individuals engaged in assessing and evaluating risks to pregnancy and breastfeeding from environmental exposures. Members include, but are not limited to, specialists in the fields of: obstetrics and gynecology, pediatrics, genetics, dysmorphology, perinatal epidemiology, teratology, behavioral teratology, pharmacy, genetic counseling, nursing, midwifery, maternal and child health, public health, and includes experts that provide MotherToBaby services and researchers that conduct MotherToBaby Pregnancy Studies. MotherToBaby is a suggested resource by many federal agencies including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). To be connected with a MotherToBaby expert, please call (866) 626-6847, text questions to (855) 999-3525 (standard messaging rates might apply, check with your carrier) or visit www.MotherToBaby.org.

#

Media Contact: Nicole Chavez, 619-368-3259, nchavez@MotherToBaby.org.

Questions? Call 866.626.6847 | Text 855.999.3525 | Email or Chat at [MotherToBaby.org](https://www.MotherToBaby.org).

Disclaimer: MotherToBaby Fact Sheets are meant for general information purposes and should not replace the advice of your health care provider. MotherToBaby is a service of the non-profit Organization of Teratology Information Specialists (OTIS). Copyright by OTIS, March 1, 2018.