

# IMPACT to Save Moms Act

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## BACKGROUND

Maternity care payment models can significantly impact outcomes for moms and babies. Recognizing the potential for innovative payment models to improve maternal health, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) launched the Transforming Maternal Health (TMaH) Model across 15 states in 2025.<sup>1</sup> This critical step builds on earlier maternal health payment models such as the Strong Start for Mothers and Newborns Initiative in 2012<sup>2</sup> and the Maternal Opioid Misuse (MOM) Model in 2018.<sup>3</sup> States have also taken steps towards alternative maternity care payment models that promote optimal and equitable birth outcomes.

The **IMPACT to Save Moms Act** establishes a new CMS Innovation Center demonstration project to promote equity and quality in maternal health outcomes for moms covered by Medicaid.

## BILL SUMMARY

The **IMPACT to Save Moms Act** will create an innovative **perinatal care alternative payment model demonstration project** to address clinical and non-clinical factors in payments for maternity care. The project will be developed in coordination with a diverse group of stakeholders and will focus on directly addressing racial and ethnic disparities in maternal health outcomes.

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