of the South Carolina Birth Outcomes Initiative

In 2021, the South Carolina Birth Outcomes Initiative (SCBOI) celebrated its ten-year anniversary. For a decade, this statewide coalition of more than 100 stakeholders has worked together to improve the health outcomes of all SC moms and babies. There is much to celebrate, and here are a few highlights.



20 milk depots

are in South Carolina as of 2021. In 2011, there were **zero**.



Fewer babies are being born too soon.

There was a 7% relative decrease in early elective deliveries from 2018 to 2020.





7,969

women in SC Medicaid received Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) assessments in 2020.



Despite the challenges of the pandemic, SCBOI has continued to thrive virtually and launched two new initiatives: AIM and the SC Postpartum Care Learning Collaborative. **O**

18 hospitals

are now certified as Baby-Friendly®

In 2011, there were **zero**.

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The change in the number of CenteringPregnancy group prenatal care sites since the start of SCBOI

Nearly 4X

The increase seen in moms enrolled in SC Medicaid opting for immediate postpartum implantation of a long-acting removable contraceptive (LARC) There has been an **8% relative improvement** in the rate of severe maternal morbidity in SC from 2018 to 2020.



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