





Community Members Invited to Join Leadership Committee

Are you passionate about healthy, strong babies in our community and want to make a difference? Community Members are invited to join the Leadership Committee of the Milwaukee Lifecourse Initiative for Healthy Families (LIHF) Collaborative.

The Milwaukee LIHF Collaborative knows that strong babies lead to strong families and communities. As a Community Member of the Leadership Committee you can represent your neighborhood with a team of people to improve community conditions that lead to healthy babies and work to eliminate the racial disparities in birth outcomes.

The Leadership Committee advances the direction, activities and strategies of the Collaborative's goal to prevent the leading cause of infant deaths: complications of prematurity. The Leadership Committee advances action around three priority areas:

- Increasing awareness around the importance of pregnancy intendedness and birth spacing
- Supporting mental and physical preparedness for pregnancy
- Improving social and economic conditions for communities at highest risk

Community Members Include:

- City of Milwaukee resident that lives in one of the 11 ZIP codes: 53205, 53206, 53208, 53209, 53210, 53212, 53216, 53218, 53223, 53224 and 53225
- Does not serve on the Leadership Committee as an official representative of an organization
- We will especially seek Community Members who have personal or close personal experience (such as family member, friend, etc.) with prematurity or infant mortality, and/or are of reproductive age.

Community Member Role

The Leadership Committee meets on a monthly basis (usually Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday, 2-4pm). Community Members will receive a \$25 gift card for each Leadership Committee meeting attended, and are eligible for child care and travel reimbursement to and from Leadership Committee meetings. Community Members are also highly encouraged to attend the Quarterly Convening meetings (every three months, usually Tuesdays, 2-4pm or 5:30pm-7:30pm).

To learn more about the Milwaukee LIHF Collaborative visit:

<u>www.unitedwaygmwc.org/MilwaukeeLifecourse</u>. Questions? Contact Marcia Blackman at 414-263-8154 or <u>mblackman@unitedwaygmwc.org</u>.