A photograph of a nurse in blue scrubs attending to a newborn baby in a hospital bed. The baby is lying on its back, wearing a white hospital gown and has several medical sensors and wires attached to its chest and limbs. The nurse is leaning over the baby, looking down at it with a focused expression. The background is slightly blurred, showing other hospital equipment.

2021 State of The South Fact Sheet

Report Card For Preterm Birth Rates

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The March of Dimes Report Card¹ grades the nation on preterm birth rates, infant death, Medicaid expansion, prenatal care, and more.

ProgenyHealth is working to improve these grades. We deliver healthy outcomes for premature and medically complex infants while helping caregivers in the first year of life.

For payer organizations, we optimize quality and reduce costs within the Medicaid and commercial payer environments by addressing four drivers behind a failing grade:



1. Health Equity

Increased income does not protect women of color from poor outcomes, as evidenced by high black infant mortality rates. ProgenyHealth is working to level the playing field so that every infant and mother have an equal chance at healthy outcomes regardless of race.



2. Maternal & Fetal Health

Today, 1 in 10 infants are born too early in the United States. Our UM and CM teams work seamlessly with clinicians and stakeholders to facilitate a collaborative and coordinated approach to maternal and fetal health.



3. Social Determinants of Health

Food, supplies, shelter, safety, and transportation contribute to healthy outcomes. The ProgenyHealth Case Management team focuses on solving broader social challenges for each family we serve.



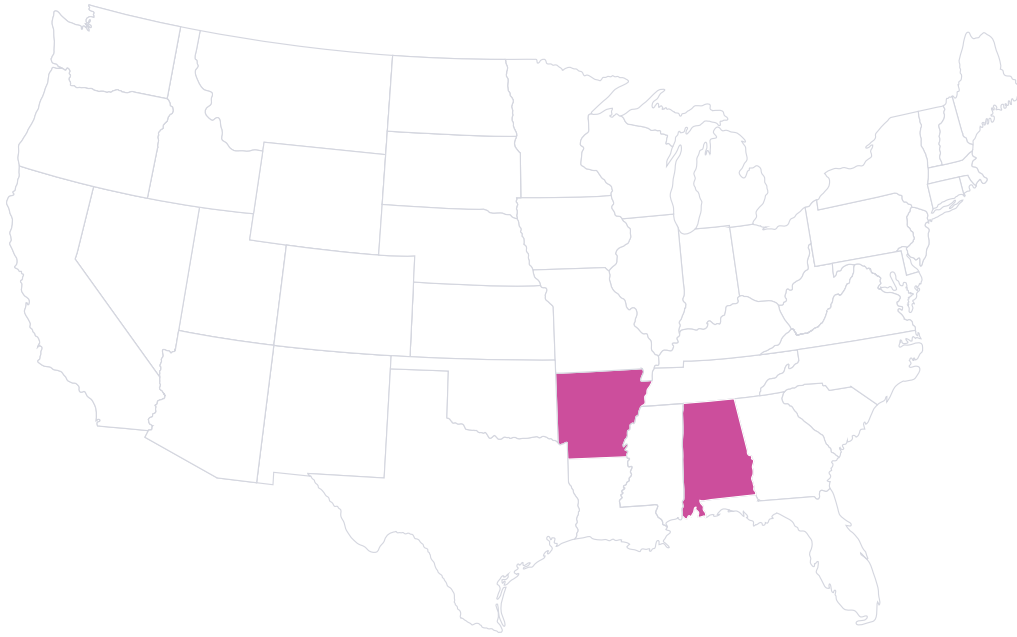
4. NICU Care Management

ProgenyHealth is partnering with payers and Medicaid plans in our Southern states to reduce readmission rates, ER visits, length of stay, and billing errors.

Check out the stats to learn why your state received a failing grade →

Understand Your Report Card

Health Equity, Maternal & Fetal Health, Social Determinants, and NICU Care



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Arkansas



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2020 March of Dimes
report card score



1.7%

Higher preterm birth
rate than the national
average



49%

Higher preterm birth
rate among Black
women than all other
women in the state

TAKEAWAY

Health plans need to leverage specialized partners to identify and solve for Social Determinants of Health concerns.



32%

Higher infant mortality
rate than the national
average



31%

More poverty among
woman 15 to 44 than
the national average



37%

Worse prenatal care
rates than national
average



Alabama



F

2020 March of Dimes
report card score



2.3%

Higher preterm birth
rate than the national
average



51%

Higher preterm birth
rate among Black
women than all other
women in the state

TAKEAWAY

Health plans need a specialized NICU Care Management program to address high-cost birth related conditions.



21%

Higher infant mortality
rate than the national
average



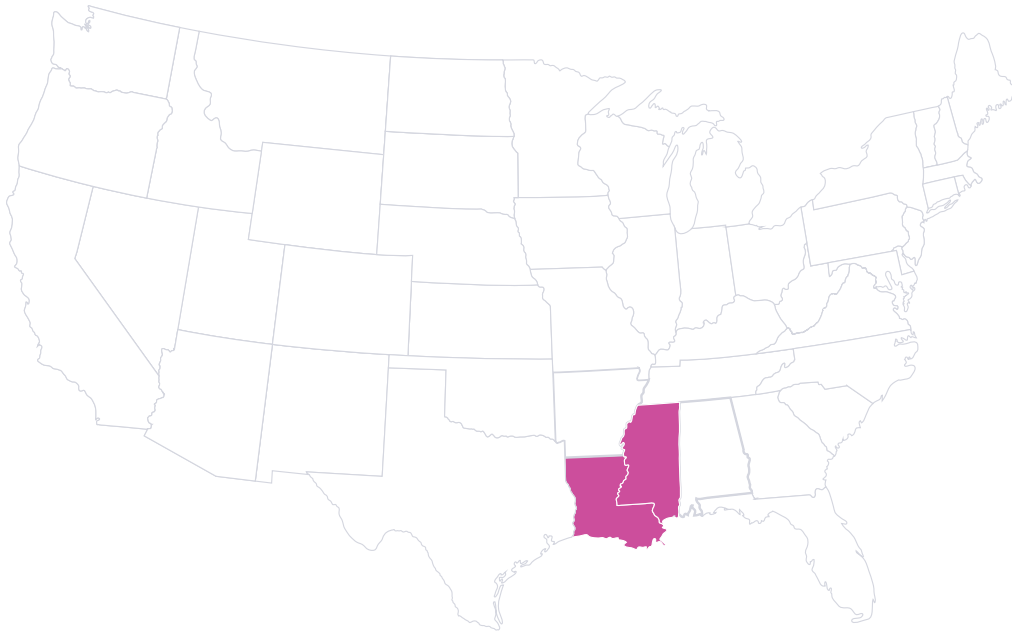
35%

More poverty among
woman 15 to 44 than
the national average





26%

Worse prenatal care
rates than national
average




 **F**
2020 March of Dimes
report card score


 **4.4%**
Higher preterm birth
rate than the national
average

 **43%**
Higher preterm birth
rate among Black
women than all other
women in the state

TAKEAWAY

Disparities at the point of care need to be addressed to ensure that infants receive appropriate care, and that mothers understand their plans of care.


 **47%**
Higher infant mortality
rate than the national
average


 **60%**
More poverty among
woman 15 to 44 than
the national average

 **10%**
Worse prenatal care
rates than national
average




 **F**
2020 March of Dimes
report card score


 **2.9%**
Higher preterm birth
rate than the national
average

 **55%**
Higher preterm birth
rate among Black
women than all other
women in the state

TAKEAWAY

Commercial and Medicaid plans need partner specialists to manage the increased trend of preterm births among people of color.

 **35%**
Higher infant mortality
rate than the national
average

 **67%**
More poverty among
woman 15 to 44 than
the national average

 **2%**
Worse prenatal care
rates than national
average

Learn how ProgenyHealth's industry-leading solution can optimize quality & reduce costs for premature and medically-complex infants.

Email Ann Kent, Chief Growth Officer, at sales@progenyhealth.com or visit ProgenyHealth.com to get the conversation started.

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