Pregnant and new moms often feel anxious or depressed

perinatal outreach & encouragement

for moms A Program of Mental Health America of Ohio

A free maternal mental health support program in Ohio

We offer pregnant and parenting women

- · a dedicated peer support and care navigation line
- mom-to-mom mentoring
- · online and in-person support groups
- referrals to specialized maternal mental health clinicians
- peer support and referral services by and for African-American women
- referrals to support services for pregnancy and infant loss

How to get help:

Call or text: 614.315.8989 or visit: poemonline.org

Anxiety and depression are the most common complications of pregnancy and childbirth.

Maternal mental health complications can appear during pregnancy or for many months after childbirth. These symptoms—from mild to severe—do not typically resolve without appropriate support and treatment.

"Postpartum depression" is often the term used to reference these symptoms, though they often do not appear as depression. Moms may have anxiety, panic, scary thoughts, anger, and mania, and all of these symptoms are on the spectrum of maternal mental health complications.

You might feel:

Overwhelmed
Guilty
Anxious or nervous
Hopeless
Irritable or angry
Scared by your thoughts
Disconnected
Exhausted but unable to sleep

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POEM is a program of the non-profit organization Mental Health America of Ohio and the Ohio chapter of Postpartum Support International, the leading authority on pregnancy & postpartum mental health.