Alliance for a Healthier South Carolina

Healthy Babies

Measure	Detailed Measure	Baseline Year	Baseline Value	2014	2015	Explanation	2014 vs 2015	2015 vs 2020	Target 2020	Data Source	Additional Information	Type of Data
Reduce infant mortality per 1000 births	Infant Mortality Rate	2010-2012	7.5	**6.5**	**7**	405 babies died before their first birthday (this is 7 deaths per 1000 births).	**No**	**Yes**	6.9	DHEC/SCAN	Infant deaths per 1,000 annual live births	Death certificate + Birth certificate
Reduce racial disparity gap for low-birthweight births (LBW)	Equity: The non-Hispanic African American LBW rate is higher than non-Hispanic white LBW rate.	2010-2012	1.93	**1.98**	**1.99**	The rate of non-Hispanic African-American newborns that weighed too little is 1.99 times higher than that of non-Hispanic white newborns.	**Same**	**No**	1.78	DHEC/SCAN	LBW = The weight at birth is less than 2,500 grams (5 pounds, 8 ounces), regardless of the period of gestation.	Birth certificates
Reduce economic disparity gap for low-birthweight births	Equality: The Medicaid LBW rate is higher than Private Pay LBW rate.	2010-2012	1.5	**1.51**	**1.46**	The rate of low-income newborns that weighed too little is 1.46 times higher than for higher income newborns.	**Yes**	**Yes**	1.38	DHEC/SCAN	LBW = The weight at birth is less than 2,500 grams (5 pounds, 8 ounces), regardless of the period of gestation.	Birth certificates