

Why do hundreds of US women die annually in childbirth?

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[Maternal mortality](#) is a [sentinel event](#) that affects [mothers](#) and families across a wide range of socioeconomic characteristics. This commentary explores how data collection gaps, medical errors, ineffective treatments, and care coordination weaknesses contribute to [preventable maternal death](#). The author highlights efforts to improve safety in maternity care such as best practice bundles to ensure teams and clinicians are prepared for certain [complications](#).