

# ACT 437: Legal Requirements for Maternal Care Providers Regarding STIs and SUD

Wednesday, April 8, 2026 | 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (CST) | CE/CME Credits Available

Who should attend: Clinicians providing prenatal care (OB/GYN, family medicine, nurse practitioners, certified nurse midwives), as well as MCOs/Insurance providers

This 90-minute webinar will examine Louisiana's Act 437, providing an overview of the legislation, its intent, and the public health data that informed its passage. Participants will review epidemiological trends in STIs during pregnancy and the clinical implications for maternal and infant health.

The session will also discuss expanded prenatal screening requirements under the law, including gonorrhea and chlamydia testing and substance use screening for all pregnant individuals, and what these changes mean for clinical practice.

## Louisiana's Act 437:

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