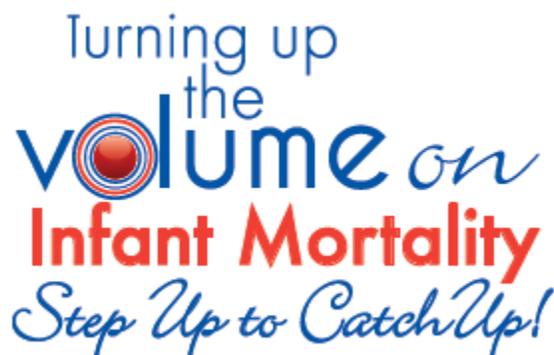


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# Infant Mortality Summit

**Dec. 3-4, 2014**



Dear Fellow Ohioans,

In November 2012, we mounted the first **Ohio Infant Mortality Summit**. Our goal was to ***turn up the volume*** on infant mortality and help Ohioans come to grips with our serious infant death and racial disparities challenge. In the wake of that successful event, attended by more than 900 of you, we have worked together to make major strides both locally and statewide with the public, the media, legislators, and individuals and organizations across Ohio, with everyone gaining a new awareness and resolve to *do something*. **However, our work is just beginning**. Ohio, though improving, is still far below the national objective with regard to babies and especially African-American babies who die in their first year of life.

**Please reserve December 3 and 4 on your calendars for the 2014 Infant Mortality Summit in Columbus**. At this event, we will come together to rededicate ourselves and reinvigorate our efforts to make sure every Ohio mother has the opportunity to deliver a full-term, healthy baby and that every Ohio baby can live to celebrate a first birthday.

Please distribute this far and wide. Details will follow.

***Step Up to Catch Up!*** We'll see you at the **2014 Ohio Infant Mortality Summit**.

Sincerely,

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