## **Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS)**



Did you know you can access statistical analyses of data on the health behaviors of new mothers on the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) website? The IDPH Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS) population-based survey is conducted among women who reside in Illinois and had a live birth in the past two to six months. As part of an initiative to reduce infant morbidity and mortality, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) sponsors the survey to gather information about health behaviors and experiences immediately before and during pregnancy, and immediately after delivery. PRAMS collects information on preconception health, pregnancy intention, barriers to prenatal care, HIV testing, depression, oral health care, psychosocial support and stress, and other topics. Data analysis results are published annually on the PRAMS website <a href="Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System">Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (illinois.gov)</a>

A 60 percent response rate is set to assure the representative quality of the data. You can help PRAMS staff keep survey response rates high by displaying PRAMS posters and offering brochures in clinics and exam rooms. New moms who see this information when accessing care for their infant may be inclined to respond if selected for the survey. PRAMS posters and brochures are available in English and Spanish. You can download them from the "Publications" section of the PRAMS website.