HealthCare Access Maryland (HCAM) and the B’More for Healthy Babies Initiative are partnering to reduce sleep-related deaths in Baltimore City.

HCAM provides cribs and other services to eligible pregnant women and their infants. Designated HCAM Safe Sleep Coordinators

- educate families about proper safe sleep practices.
- deliver and set up new portable cribs.
- provide instruction and demonstrate crib assembly.
- assess the home environment and make recommendations to create safer sleep environments.
- provide HealthChoice education and link mothers to care.
- provide family planning and birth-spacing education and referral.

Who is Eligible to Receive a Crib?
Women who would like a crib must be at least 36 weeks pregnant. If she has already delivered, the infant must be less than 8 months old or under 25 pounds. Women who would like to participate in the Crib Assistance Program must

- be a resident of Baltimore City.
- demonstrate financial need (≤ 200% FPL or receiving TCA, SNAP, WIC, MA/MCHP or other public benefit).
- have viewed the Safe Sleep video prior to or during the crib delivery visit
- be willing to have the portable crib set up in their homes.
- have recommendations for a safe sleep environment (obtaining a crib or bassinet) thoroughly discussed (including borrowing a crib, requesting a crib as a shower gift, and learning where to buy inexpensive cribs).

In addition, women must not

- have available a crib, portable crib, bassinet, or other safe environment for the infant to sleep in.
- be actively participating in a home visiting program. Clients who are eligible for a home visiting program will be referred to one and, if appropriate, HCAM will distribute a portable crib prior to enrollment.

Need a crib? Call HCAM at 410-649-0500.

Want to know if your current crib meets safety standards or has a recall?
Call the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission Consumer Hotline at 800-638-2772.