



OSF OnCall to offer enhanced obstetric care in Illinois' I-80 region

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(October 1, 2025/Ottawa-Peru, Illinois.) – [OSF OnCall Connect](#), and the I-80 region are partnering to offer a new obstetric care model. Pregnant or postpartum women in Ottawa, Peru, Mendota and surrounding communities will now have the opportunity for more visits virtually during their pregnancy. In addition, all I-80 patients will be eligible to enroll in the Pregnancy and Postpartum Support program that offers 24/7/365 access to an OB care team.

I-80 patients will now be offered virtual visits at eight, 12, 19, 24, 30 and 34 weeks. The two-week postpartum visit can also be scheduled virtually.

Visits are available seven days a week from 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m., offering patients additional flexibility and opportunities. Nurses on the OSF OnCall Connect team will enroll all I-80 OB patients in the pregnancy and postpartum support program at no cost, providing continuous access for questions and concerns, conducting virtual discharges and scheduling follow-up appointments.

Patients will also be screened for social drivers of health such as food, transportation, housing and other supports. OSF OnCall does have [a mobile unit to support pregnant-postpartum women](#) on Medicaid who might need care brought their doorstep.

"The program combines virtual visits, 24/7 digital support and in-person care to ease travel burdens, strengthen follow-up and provide a healthier pregnancy and postpartum experience," says Kate Johnson, manager of Digital Care-Women's Services, OSF OnCall. "We are committed to innovative solutions that keep care personal while expanding access." Johnson adds, "Women will benefit from coordinated prenatal and postpartum monitoring and stronger follow-up, while in-person care teams will maintain key milestones and bedside care."

The OSF OnCall Connect care team will also support post-delivery education before a woman is discharged from the hospital, making sure she has follow-up appointments scheduled, understands the need for regular blood pressure checks, and offering lactation services if needed.

A research project will take place for one year to evaluate outcomes, patient experiences and staff insights to guide improvements and shape patient-centered care and communications.

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