



Ethical Dilemmas in the Treatment of Pregnant Women with Substance Use Disorders (SUDs)



The Intersection of Priorities: Treatment of Pregnant Women with SUDs

3 areas of consideration

- Treatment access, quality, and scope of services
- Care for mother versus protection of fetus, infant, child
 - Medication-assisted treatment, criminalization and other risks of treatment-seeking
- Coordination of training, and services among systems
 - For example, among SUD treatment and child welfare systems



Resources

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