



Policy Analysis of Illinois P.A. 100-0574: Perinatal Mental Health

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Background

- PPD affects one in seven mothers
- PPP affects one in 1000 mothers

Policy

Nationwide

- Screening mandates for PPD in 4 states

Statewide

- Illinois mandates screening and education
- Recent passage of P.A. 100-0574
- Allows untreated or unrecognized PPD/PPP to be considered a mitigating factor in forcible felonies

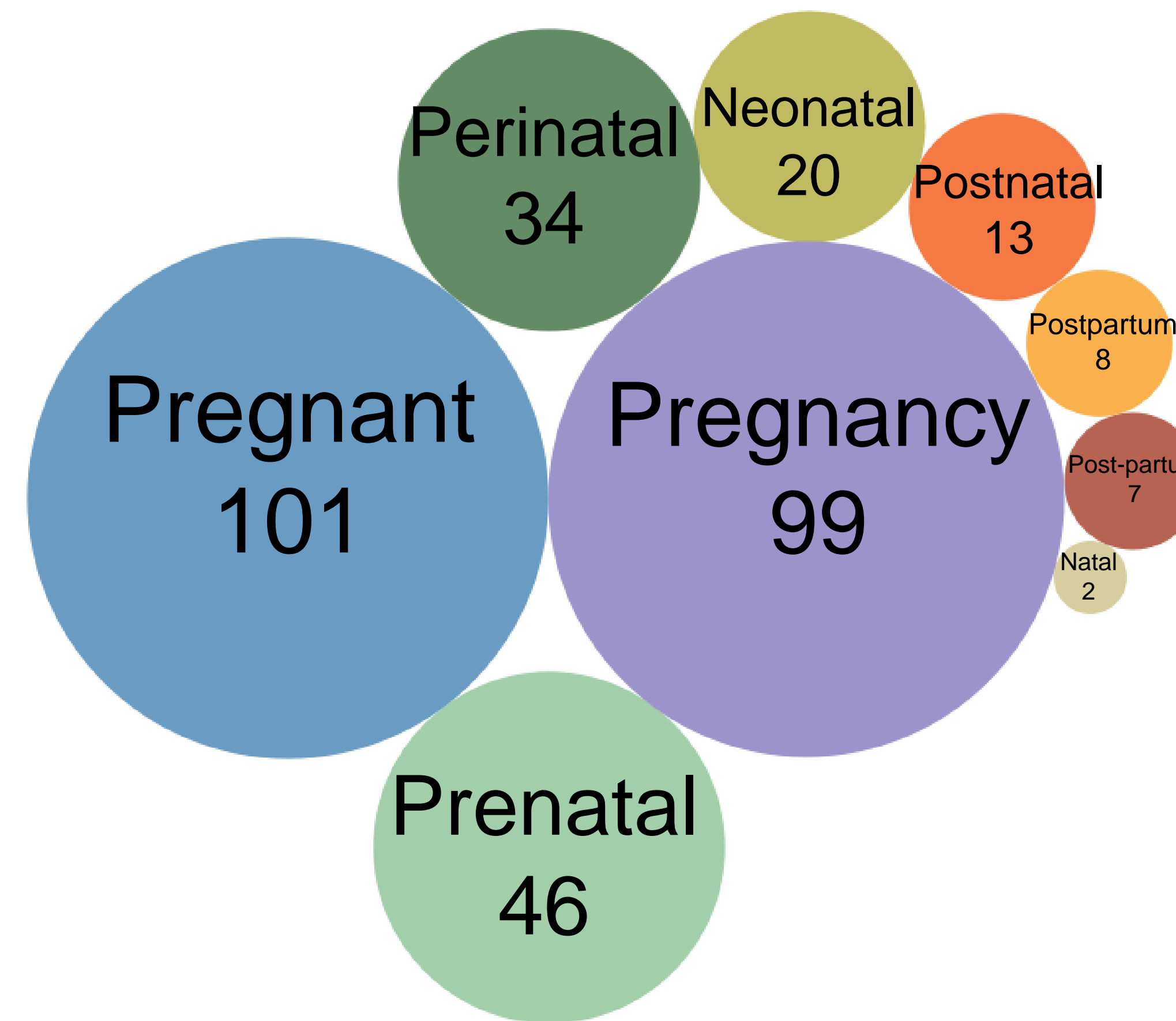
Aim

- To review perinatal mental health legislation in Illinois

Methods

- Search on legislation on the Illinois General Assembly's website for Compiled Statutes
- Conducted a comparison of other policies to IL P.A. 100-0574

Total Search Term Results: 330



Results

- Two most relevant acts to screening and identification of perinatal mood disorders were Perinatal Mental Health Disorders Prevention and Treatment Act and P.A.100-0574



Comparison

IL P.A. 100-0574	TX H.B. 3318	British Infanticide Act
Forcible Felony	Infanticide	Murder or manslaughter of a baby
Pregnancy and 12 months PP	12 months or time of lactation	12 months or time of lactation
Covers PPD/PPP	Covers PPD/PPP	Covers "disturbed mind"
Passed in 2018	Did not pass in 2009	Passed in 1938

- Illinois is the only state to consider perinatal mood disorders as a mitigating factor in forcible felonies

Discussion

- Illinois is a leader in maternal mental health legislation in recent years