

Childbirth Connection, formerly Maternity Center Association (MCA) developed the *Listening to Mothers*® survey to better understand women's maternity experiences and ways to improve these experiences. This historic survey was the first time that women in the U.S. have been systematically polled at the national level about their maternity experiences. The survey focused the discussion of maternity care in the U.S. on the people who care about it most: mothers themselves. The executive summary and Childbirth Connection's Recommendations can be downloaded from this site. If you would like more information about the survey, or to examine the results in their entirety, please visit *Listening to Mothers* <link to: <http://childbirthconnection.org/article.asp?ClickedLink=334&ck=10068&area=27>> on the Childbirth Connection website. Check with Childbirth Connection in fall 2006 for results of the second *Listening to Mothers* survey about experiences of women who gave birth in the US in 2005.