



Distal determinants of early morbidity and mortality:

- Race/color
- Maternal Education
- Community Development

Less proximate determinants

- Parity
- Maternal Age

More proximate determinants, more directly influenced by

- Parity and Maternal Age
- Number of abortions/ Stillbirths
- Number of prenatal care visits
- Weeks' gestation
- Birth Weight

Other More Proximate determinants, less influenced by distal or less proximate determinants:

- Sex
- Multiple Gestations
- Mode of delivery

Ultimate determinants of Infant Mortality (and also outcomes that represent infant morbidity)

- Low Apgar score at one minute
- Low Apgar score at five minutes