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Shafia M. Monroe of the International Center for Traditional Childbearing (from left), Ty Schwoeffermann of the Urban League of Portland, and Jennifer Horner of the March of Dimes, are recognized for their dedication to healthy birth outcomes for families throughout the community.

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Healthy Births for All Initiative recognizes community efforts

As part of a Healthy Birth Initiative and to honor September as National Infant Mortality Awareness month, organizations throughout the community have called at-

ention to the importance of addressing health disparities and improving birth outcomes throughout Portland.

At the Healthy Birth Initiative

Consortium meeting last week, three community partners, including the Urban League of Portland, International Center for Traditional Childbearing, and March

of Dimes, shared how their organizations are working to improve birth outcomes and helping to reduce infant mortality.

Infant mortality is defined as the

death of a child before age one. It means that for many local babies, the majority African American, His-

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Ronald McDonald House Makeover

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Tom Soma of Ronald McDonald Charities (from left), David Payne and Bob Speltz of The Standard, and Gordon Graeff of Walsh Construction, cut the ribbon to a completely remodeled living space for families with seriously ill children at the Ronald McDonald House at Emanuel Hospital.

Remodel helps families with seriously ill children

The Standard and Walsh Construction Co. Monday unveiled the results of an extensive renovation and redecorating project at Portland's Ronald McDonald House East, located next door to Emanuel Hospital in north Portland.

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