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Dr. Catherine Toms is a public health physician specializing in maternal and child health. She is Senior Advisor for Climate and Health with the international nonprofit, Health Care Without Harm where she helps Florida’s health systems build facility and community resilience to weather-related impacts. Before joining Health Care Without Harm, Catherine designed programs aimed at reducing maternal and infant mortality. As a steering committee member with Florida Clinicians for Climate Action, she educates other health professionals and the public about the health impacts of climate change and advocates for equitable solutions promoting clean energy and resilient communities. Dr. Toms is especially interested in the health impacts of extreme heat on vulnerable populations, including expectant mothers. She believes our children should have the opportunity to reach their full potential in a safe, healthy environment.

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