

## Perinatal Resource Mapping: How to Guide



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Utilize a Google template provided to organize your resources into a single, consolidated spreadsheet, including essential details like name, address, and contact information.

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Learn how to import your resource data into Google MyMaps, add resources manually, and edit your resources on the map to ensure all information is accurate and up-to-date.

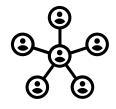
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Customize your map by creating layers and organizing resources within them. Personalize the appearance of your map with icons and colors for better clarity and visual appeal.

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Share your map easily via a direct link or by embedding it on your website. Adjust sharing settings to ensure the map is accessible to your intended audience.

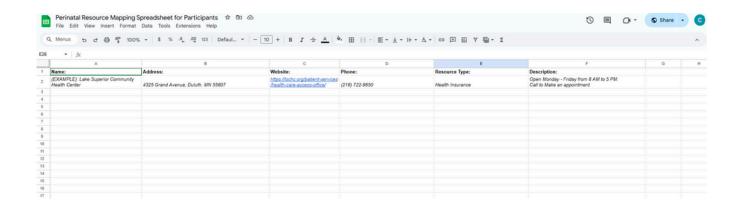


## **Step 1: Create a Resource Spreadsheet**

To add your resources to Google MyMaps, it's helpful to first organize them into a single, consolidated Google spreadsheet. Provided below is a Google spreadsheet template for resource mapping.

### Instructions

- 1. Make a copy of the Resource Mapping Google Spreadsheet.
- 2. Rename your spreadsheet
- 3. Add your resources to the spreadsheet
  - a. Sections that need to be included (Columns A-D):
    - i. Name
    - ii. Address
    - iii. Contact information (website link or phone number)
  - b. Optional sections that could be included (Columns E-F):
    - i. Categorizing your resources (ex. Transportation, health insurance, etc)
    - ii. Description of services





**Tip:** Make sure to create only one sheet in your spreadsheet, as Google MyMaps will only import the first sheet from the file.



# Step 2: Add/Edit Your Resources in Google MyMaps

Before starting this step, make sure you have access to a Google account. In Google MyMaps, you can add resources manually or by importing them from a spreadsheet. Below you will find directions for both methods and how to edit the resources once in Google Maps.

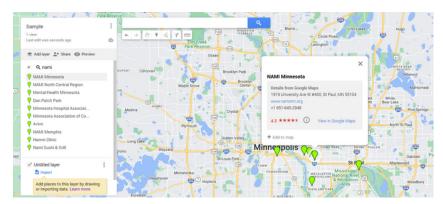
### **Instructions**

- 1. Go to <a href="https://www.google.com/maps/d/">https://www.google.com/maps/d/</a>
- 2. Press the 'Create a Map' button
- 3. Click on the words 'Untitled map'
  - a. Add a Map Title and Description then click 'Save'



### **Adding Resources Manually**

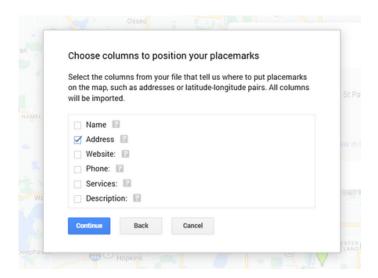
- 1. Use the search bar to look up the name of an organization or an address
- 2. Press the search button
- 3. If there are multiple locations, they will appear on the map and side panel
- 4. Click '+ Add to map' if you want it on your map



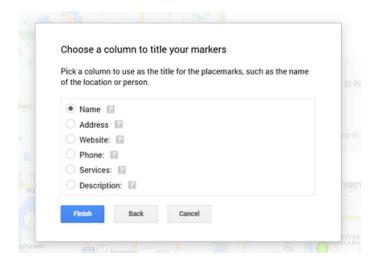


### Importing from a Spreadsheet

- 1. Click 'Import' in the panel
- 2. Click Google Drive
- 3. Click on your spreadsheet document
- 4. Click on the 'Insert' button
- 5. A pop-up titled Choose columns to position your placemarks will appear, check the 'address' box and click the 'Continue' button



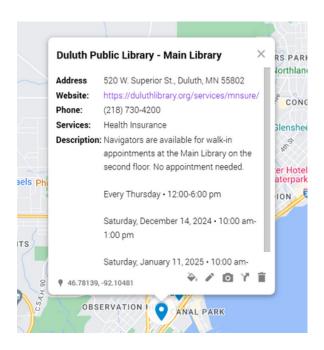
6. Another pop-up titled Choose a column to title your markers, click the Name option and click the 'Finish' button





### **Editing your resources**

- 1. Once you have your resources added, click on a resource on the panel
- 2. Click the pencil icon to edit the contents of the resource





**Tip:** Use a Google account associated with your organization or project, rather than a personal account. In Step 5: Sharing Your Google My Maps, the name and icon image linked to the account that created the map will be displayed.



## **Step 3: Organize Your Google MyMaps**

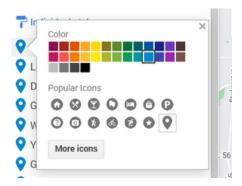
All the contents from your spreadsheet will populate into one layer with the same look. If you want to change this, you have a few different options.

### Layers

- 1. Create a Layer
  - a. Click 'Add layer'
  - b. A New layer will appear at the bottom of the panel
  - c. Click 'Untitled Layer' to change the name of the layer
  - d. Once renamed, click 'Save'
- 2. To move resources to different layers
  - a. Click on a resource, then click, hold down, and drag to a new layer
    - i. The resource name might disappear, make sure to edit the resource and add the name again if this occurs.

#### **Icons**

- 1. Hover over a resource on the side panel.
- 2. Click on the paint can icon
- 3. Change the color or the icon for that resource





**Tip:** To see how your map will appear to viewers, click the 'Preview' button. This allows you to ensure that the map is user-friendly and functions as intended.

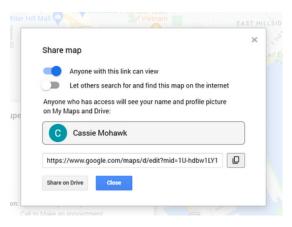


## **Step 4: Share Your Google MyMaps**

Share your map by providing a direct link to the map or embed on a website.

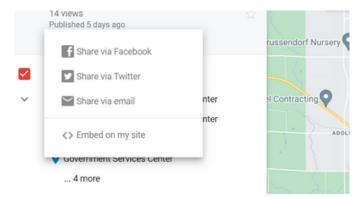
### When editing the map,

- 1. Click the 'Share' button on the panel.
- 2. The pop-up titled Share map will appear, click the slider so anyone with the link can view
- 3. Copy the link from the bottom to share via a link



### When previewing the map,

 Click share to get options of other ways to share your map including embedding on a site





**Tip:** The process of embedding a map on your site may vary depending on the website platform you use. It's recommended to collaborate with your organization's communications team to add the map to your webpage.





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