

State of California

Department of Consumer Affairs
Medical Board of California

Memorandum

To : Midwifery Advisory Council Members

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Subject : Role, Responsibility, Mission, and Vision Statements

The attached document contains the **Role, Responsibility, Mission, and Vision** statements for the MAC as developed at its April 17, 2007 meeting. As requested, these statements are being brought before the MAC for final review.

Midwifery Advisory Council

ROLE

The Midwifery Advisory Council shall meet in public not less than four times a year to discuss topics of importance related to the practice of midwifery in order to make recommendations to and advise the Division of Licensing.

RESPONSIBILITY

The Midwifery Advisory Council shall provide ongoing sound and reliable expert advice to the Division of Licensing to facilitate the safe and sound practice of midwifery including the development and ongoing maintenance of a coding system for gathering annual practice data of midwives in California.

MISSION

To protect the healthcare consumer by assisting the Division of Licensing in developing appropriate standards for licensing, standards of care, and regulation for the practice of midwifery.

VISION

In promoting the Medical Board of California's consumer protection interests, the Midwifery Advisory Council will provide ongoing sound and reliable expert advice in serving as a vehicle for further positive discussion on the practice of midwifery and home births in the State of California.