

Midwifery School Approval and Challenge Matrix

Name of School:	
City/State/Zip Code:	
Point of Contact:	
Telephone Number:	
Email Address:	

Midwifery School Accrediting Agency: _____

Accreditation Period: _____

SCHOOL APPROVAL CRITERIA: Minimum Statutory and Regulatory Requirements		MBC-USE ONLY		COMMENTS* Attention School Representative: Please include document name and page number
		Yes	No	
1.	Currently accredited as a school/program in good standing with accrediting organization approved by the Board? (Proof of accreditation required)			
2.	At a minimum, does the midwifery education program offer the following midwifery education:			
a.	Management of normal pregnancy			
b.	Management of normal labor and delivery in all birth settings, including:			
1.	Administration of intravenous fluids, analgesics, postpartum oxytocic drugs, and RhoGAM			
2.	Amniotomy during labor			
3.	Application of external or internal monitoring devices			

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4.	Administration of "local" anesthesia, paracervical blocks, pudendal blocks, and local infiltration			
5.	Episiotomy			
6.	Repair of episiotomies and lacerations			
7.	Resuscitation of the newborn			
8.	Management of the normal postpartum period			
c.	Management of the normal newborn care, including administration of vitamin "K" and eye prophylaxis			
d.	Management of family planning and routine gynecological care, including barrier methods of contraception, such as diaphragms and cervical caps			
3.	Three-year postsecondary Midwifery Education Program (Business and Professions Code (BPC) §2512.5(a)(2) through (b))			
a.	Midwifery curriculum consists of a minimum of 84 semester/126 quarter units			
b.	One hour of instruction each week throughout a semester or quarter equals one unit			
c.	Three hours of clinical practice each week throughout a semester or quarter equals one unit			

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d.	Provides both academic <u>and</u> clinical preparation equivalent, but not identical, to that provided in programs by the American College of Nurse-Midwives (BPC §2512.5 (a)(3))			
MIDWIFERY SUBJECT AREAS (BPC §2512.5 (a)(3)(A-F))		MBC-USE ONLY		COMMENTS* Please include document name and page number for reference
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(A)	The art and science of midwifery (one-half in theory; one-half clinical practice)			
	Theory and clinical practice shall be concurrent in the areas of maternal and child health, and may include, but not be limited to, labor, delivery, neonatal well care, and postpartum care			
(B)	Communications skills, including principles of oral, written, and group communications			
(C)				
(1)	Anatomy and Physiology			
(2)	Genetics			
(3)	Obstetrics and Gynecology			
(4)	Embryology and Fetal Development			
(5)	Neonatology			
(6)	Applied Microbiology			
(7)	Chemistry			
(8)	Child Growth and Development			
(9)	Pharmacology			

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(10)	Nutrition			
(11)	Laboratory Diagnostic Tests and Procedures			
(12)	Physical Assessment			
(D)				
(1)	Concepts in psychosocial, emotional, and cultural aspects of maternal and child care			
(2)	Human sexuality			
(3)	Counseling and teaching			
(4)	Maternal and infant and family bonding process			
(5)	Breast feeding			
(6)	Family planning			
(7)	Principles of preventive health			
(8)	Community health			
(E)				
(1)	Aspects of the normal pregnancy			
(2)	Labor and delivery			
(3)	Postpartum period			
(4)	Newborn care			
(5)	Family planning or routine gynecology care in alternative birth centers, homes and hospitals			
(F)	These elements shall be integrated throughout the entire curriculum:			
(1)	Midwifery Process			
(2)	Basic intervention skills in preventive, remedial, and supportive midwifery			

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(3)	The knowledge and skills required to develop collegial relationships with healthcare providers from other disciplines			
(4)	Related behavioral and social sciences with emphasis on societal and cultural patterns, human development, and behavior related to maternal and child health, illness, and wellness			
(G)	Instruction shall also be given in:			
(1)	Personal hygiene			
(2)	Client abuse			
(3)	Cultural diversity			
(4)	The legal, social, and ethical aspects of midwifery			
(H)	The program shall include the midwifery management process, which shall include all the following:			
(1)	Obtaining or updating a defined and relevant database for assessment of the health status of the client			
(2)	Identifying problems based upon correct interpretation of the data base			
(3)	Preparing defined needs or problem list, or both, with corroboration from the client			

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(4)	Consulting, collaborating with, and referring to, appropriate members of the health care team			
(5)	Providing information to enable clients to make appropriate decisions and to assume appropriate responsibility for their own health			
(6)	Assuming direct responsibility for the development of comprehensive supportive care for the client and with the client			
(7)	Assuming direct responsibility for implementing the plan of care			
(8)	Initiating appropriate measures for obstetrical and neonatal emergencies			
(9)	Evaluating, with corroboration from the client, the achievement of health care goals and modifying the plan of care appropriately			
CHALLENGE MECHANISM PROGRAM MIDWIFERY SUBJECT AREAS (CCR §1379.15)		MBC-USE ONLY		COMMENTS* Please include document name and page number for reference
Midwifery Education program offers students the opportunity to obtain credit by examination for previous midwifery education and clinical experience.				

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Verification of at least 50% of the following minimum number of clinical experiences within five years immediately preceding the date of the application:			
(1) 20 new antepartum visits clinical experiences			
(2) 75 return antepartum visits			
(3) 20 labor management experiences			
(4) 20 deliveries			
(5) 40 postpartum visits, within the first five days after birth			
(6) 20 newborn assessments			
(7) 40 postpartum/family planning/gynecology visits			