Every year we use your feedback to build a fresh Annual Meeting experience that’s even richer, further streamlined, and more in tune with your needs. You spend all year working hard to improve the health of women and babies—join us in Denver to relax, recharge, and see how we’re working hard for you. Here are some new aspects and notable changes to look forward to this year:

1 **Bring your family, and stay a while!** Denver has great local attractions. Take advantage of 2 post-meeting custom tours, free rides on “mall” buses in front of the hotel, downtown buzz of the city, and don’t forget Denver’s beautiful spring weather! It’s a great city for you and your family. Last year, we had a record number of moms bring their babies to the meeting. Arrive early and stay late to experience everything Denver has to offer!

2 **Focus on diversity.** ACNM has spent the last year exploring a national strategy so our profession better reflects its diverse roots and the diverse populations it serves. Expect an update on our progress, and don’t miss Opening General Session speaker, diversity strategist Lenora Billings-Harris.

3 **Catch your breath.** Everything, including your sleeping room, is under one roof this year. We’ve also eased the daily schedule to give you more time to catch your breath while attending education sessions, visiting the Exhibit Hall, and networking at evening events.

4 **More money in your wallet.** We’ve added more ways for you to save money, from adding more complimentary meals at more free sponsored events, to eliminating fees for guests to browse the Exhibit Hall, to securing flight and ground transportation discounts.

5 **Our biggest, best party ever.** Grab your ticket for the plated Awards Dinner and choose your seat in advance, then strap on your dancing shoes for the Midwifery Celebration After-Party immediately following! All attendees and their guests attend the After-Party for free, so get ready to groove to the renowned Hazel Miller Band, say “cheese” in the photo booth, and renew your spirit in the company of 1000 of your closest midwife colleagues.

The ACNM Annual Meeting is the premier opportunity for midwives and students to polish professional and clinical skills, plug in to the latest innovations in women’s health care, and recharge their connection to the heart of the profession. Like our organization, the profession of midwifery, and the US health care landscape, the ACNM Annual Meeting & Exhibition has undergone expansive changes over the last few years. If it’s been a while since you attended, you’re likely to find it’s a wholly new experience.

About This Year’s Theme
A large majority of US women say they are not getting many of the services they want and need from their care. Midwives can elevate women’s health by helping them demand and obtain the high quality health care they deserve. It all starts with a meeting— and a conversation. Spend the week with us in Denver and share your experiences to help elevate our conversations.

Midwives: Elevating Women’s Health
At the ACNM 59th Annual Meeting & Exhibition in Denver, midwives and other women’s health care experts will convene to continue improving the quality of care we provide and expanding our presence even further into the mainstream for women across the country. The Denver meeting celebrates our diversity of practice, perspectives, and backgrounds. It calls on us to channel these strengths and the momentum we’ve built in new and more effective ways to elevate our personal efforts, the profession of midwifery, and the health care of women throughout the lifespan.

In 2014, ACNM will also explore how best to create an effective national diversity strategy for our profession. As a kick-off, we welcome diversity strategist and motivational speaker Lenora Billings-Harris as our Opening General Session speaker.

What people are saying about the ACNM Annual Meeting:

“It is an amazing experience to be with that many midwives in one place.”

“The quality of the meeting, including education and exhibits, keeps getting better every year.”

Comments from the ACNM 58th Annual Meeting evaluation survey.
Premier Speakers & Sessions

Opening General Session

The Diversity Advantage: The Oz Perspective
Lenora Billings-Harris
Wednesday, May 14, 2:00-3:30PM

Lenora uses the characters of The Wizard of Oz as a metaphor to help you understand how you can use your brain, heart, and courage to make a real difference in today’s multi-cultural world. This fun, thought-provoking message will inspire you to connect the gifts you have with the gifts of others to increase your organization’s options for multicultural success. By realizing the power to make a difference is within each individual, you will discover ways to go beyond stereotypes and bias to create and sustain an environment that supports high productivity while celebrating differences.

As a diversity strategist, Lenora partners with organizations to help them make diversity a competitive advantage. She has been included as one of 100 Global Thought Leaders on Diversity and Inclusion by The Society of Human Resource Management (SHRM), and was named by Diversity Woman Magazine as one of the 20 top influential diversity leaders in the United States. Her ability to transform multifaceted diversity and inclusion concepts into immediately-applicable “how to’s” have enabled her to help facilitate change to attract and retain top talent, expand multicultural markets, and heighten the number of engaged employees.

Learn more about the slate of premier speakers at www.midwife.org/AM2014-Premier-Speakers.

Important Dates
FEBRUARY 14: Deadline to submit on-site meeting request form. See https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/DX29CJV.
FEBRUARY 18: Early bird registration deadline: lowest prices!
APRIL 14: Last day to book your hotel reservation in our room block at our low rates—book today to lock in your rate and room!
MAY 7: Advance registration deadline: still discounted prices. After May 7, anyone needing to register must do so on-site.

Ask Your Employer to Pay Your Way

The ACNM Annual Meeting & Exhibition is the premier opportunity for midwives and other women’s health professionals to gain new information and practice new techniques that can benefit their whole practice. Your employer may be willing to pay some or all of your expenses to attend. Visit www.midwife.org/AM2014-Employer-Support for more information.
## Schedule At-A-Glance

### Monday, May 12
- **Exam Prep Course** 8:00AM-4:00PM
- **ACNM Registration Opens** 3:00-7:00PM
- **Dinner** 5:00-7:00PM
- **MBN Reception** 7:00-9:00PM

### Tuesday, May 13
- **Pre-conference meetings and workshops**
- **Helping Babies Breathe Course** 8:15AM-5:45PM
- **Foundation Board Meeting** 8:00AM-5:00PM
- **ACNM Board of Directors Meeting** 12:30-5:30PM
- **DOME Meeting** 1:00-8:00PM
- **MBN Reception** 7:00-9:00PM
- **Heart of Midwifery** 9:00-11:00PM

### Wednesday, May 14
- **Yoga 6:00-7:00AM**
- **Breakfast Symposia** 7:00-8:15AM
- **Division/Committee Meetings as rooms are available**
- **ACNM Leadership Breakfast** 8:30-11:30AM
- **Workshops** 8:00AM-1:00PM
- **Education Sessions** 10:30-11:30AM
- **Education Sessions** 12:30-1:30PM
- **Opening General Session and Awards** 2:00-3:30PM
- **Dinner** 4:00-7:00PM
- **Customer Appreciation Dinner** 7:00-9:00PM
- **EDME** 10:00-12:00PM

### Thursday, May 15
- **Movie TBD**

### Saturday, May 17
- **Posters**
- **Tours and Committee Meetings TBD**
### Thursday, May 15

- **Breakfast Symposium**: 6:00-7:15 AM
- **Yoga**: 6:00-7:00 AM
- **Division/Committee Meetings as rooms are available**
- **Education Sessions**: 8:00-9:00 AM
- **Opening Business Meeting**: ACNM Business and Motions 9:30-11:30 AM
- **Exhibit Hall and Midwifery Market Open 11:30 AM-3:30 PM with lunch 12:00-1:30 PM**
- **Product Theater 2:30-3:30 PM**
- **Education Sessions**: 3:45-4:45 PM
- **Education Sessions**: 5:00-6:00 PM
- **Dinner Symposium**: 7:00-9:00 PM
- **Foundation Fundraiser**: 8:00-10:00 PM

### Friday, May 16

- **Breakfast Symposium**: 7:00-8:15 AM
- **Yoga**: 6:00-7:00 AM
- **Division/Committee Meetings as rooms are available**
- **Premier Session**: 8:30-9:30 AM
- **Product Theater 9:45-10:45 AM**
- **Exhibit Hall and Midwifery Market**: Open 9:30 AM-2:00 PM with buffet brunch 10:30 AM-12:00 PM
- **Posters 1:30-3:00 PM**
- **Education Sessions**: 2:00-3:00 PM
- **Education Sessions**: 3:30-4:30 PM
- **Midwives-PAC Rally 4:00-6:00 PM**
- **President's Reception (invitation only) 6:00-7:00 PM**
- **Midwifery Awards Dinner and Celebration Party 7:00 PM-12:00 MIDNIGHT**

### Saturday, May 17

- **Breakfast Symposium**: 7:00-8:15 AM
- **Division/Committee Meetings as rooms are available**
- **Premier Session**: 8:30-9:30 AM
- **Closing ACNM Business Meeting**: 8:45-10:15 AM
- **Education Sessions 7:30-8:30 AM**
- **Education Sessions 10:00-11:00 AM**
- **Education Sessions 12:45-1:45 PM**
- **Closing Premier Session**: 2:00-3:00 PM
- **Education Sessions 3:15-4:15 PM**
- **Education Sessions 3:15-4:15 PM**
- **ACNM Board of Directors Meeting 4:30-8:00 PM**
- **Movie TBD**
Education Sessions & Workshops

Customize your education experience based on your areas of interest, level of experience, and practice setting with our 7 tracks: clinical issues, education, global midwifery, the business of midwifery, the public perception of midwifery, research, and students. We’ve got a program for you!

You asked for hot clinical topics and content and we found the top experts in women’s health to deliver—midwives, NPs, DOs, MDs, and advanced RN colleagues.

Register for the full meeting and earn as many as 22 contact hours, plus get free online access to 30 hours of recorded education sessions after Denver in the online ACNM Live Learning Center. This $299 value for ACNM CE is included with your registration and will be available for 2 years after the meeting.

Events

You’ll find lots of new additions to the daily meeting schedule, but we’ve kept evenings session-free so you can take advantage of the myriad of social and networking events we have planned. The Annual Meeting is the place to plug in to the real ACNM, come together with your midwife colleagues, share experiences with old friends, and make new connections. Meet other members, discover new resources, and experience the ACNM community in action in Denver.

Enjoy our fresh takes on classic Annual Meeting events like the Global Health Reception and Midwives-PAC Rally, plus a special set of activities designed especially for students and some new, unique-to-Denver social events!

Check out everything we’re offering at www.midwife.org/AM2014-Activities-and-Events.

Sponsored Activities

Support from our industry and organizational partners makes the Annual Meeting & Exhibition possible, from the bags and materials you receive when you check in at the registration desk to the networking events you attend and the attractions that entertain you in the Exhibit Hall.

Free, sponsor-supported product theaters, symposia, and other events are a great way to learn from industry experts on a variety of topics: oral health, prenatal testing, and standardizing preterm labor assessment, to name a few. Register separately in advance to guarantee your spot at these limited-capacity events, and score some free food when you get there!

Get more information about sponsored events at www.midwife.org/AM2014-Sponsored-Events.
The Exhibition

The 2014 ACNM Exhibit Hall schedule and activities are custom-made for you! Enjoy a sampling of new vendors we have engaged based on your feedback, plus a little more time to visit. Take your time, network, browse new products, shop the Midwifery Market, and drop by Everything ACNM—a dedicated area showcasing the best resources ACNM has to offer.

Want to know who’s coming? Start exploring the 2014 Exhibit Hall now with our interactive Personal Event Planner at http://bit.ly/1f1YUtP.

Midwifery Market

The Midwifery Market is open to both general retailers as well as ACNM affiliates interested in selling items for fundraising purposes. This perennial favorite always draws a crowd, so don’t wait on the opportunity to pick up unique midwifery-themed gifts for your colleagues and family—or for yourself!

Exhibit Hall Hours

Wednesday, May 14
3:30–6:00 PM
Grand Opening & Welcome Reception

Thursday, May 15
11:30 AM–3:30 PM
Exhibit Hall and Midwifery Market Open
With lunch 12:00–1:30 PM

Friday, May 16 | 9:30 AM–2:00 PM
Exhibit Hall and Midwifery Market Open
With buffet brunch 10:30 AM–12:00 PM

NEW IN 2014: Bring the whole family! There’s no fee for guests to enter and browse the Exhibit Hall and Midwifery Market—just make sure you purchase extra meal tickets for your visitors if they plan to partake in the exhibit hall meals.

Hotel & Travel

ACNM has partnered with Orchid Event Solutions again this year for a smooth, hassle-free booking process. We’ve also arranged for a hassle-free attendance process: everything is under one roof, which means that your sleeping room will be in the Sheraton Downtown Denver alongside the education sessions and workshops you attend, as well as the premier sessions, Exhibit Hall, and events. Remember to book early to lock in your room at the Sheraton and take full advantage of this year’s “campus” atmosphere!

Help ACNM make this meeting a success by using only the official meeting hotel, and by booking exclusively through Orchid. Beware of false and fraudulent housing claims—Orchid is the only housing provider designated by ACNM for the 59th Annual Meeting & Exhibition.

Book online, print a reservation form, or modify an existing reservation at www.midwife.org/AM2014-Hotel-and-Travel.

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* You must provide your ACNM member number.
** A valid student ID may be requested at registration on-site.
***Two-Day Maximum

To register online, sign up for workshops, and see the full list of optional ticketed events, visit www.midwife.org/AM2014-Register-Now.
Preliminary Listing of Exhibitors for the 59th ACNM Annual Meeting & Exhibition

American Association of Pro Life Obstetricians and Gynecologists
American Academy of Family Physicians
American Association of Birth Centers
American Midwifery Certification Board
Ariosa Diagnostics
Baby K'tan Baby Carriers
Bayer Healthcare
Bio Oil
Birth With Love
Calmoseptine, Inc.
CDC and ASTHO
Colorado Institute for Maternal and Fetal Health
Contemporary Insurance Services
Cook Medical
Cord Blood Registry
Natera Inc.
Duchesnay USA
Floradix
Frontier Nursing University
Georgetown University School of Nursing and Health Studies
Group B Strep International
Hologic Inc.
InJoy Birth & Parenting Education
Insight Pharmaceuticals
It's You Babe, LLC
Laclede
Lamaze International
Legally Mine
Lullabeats
March of Dimes
MDF Instruments
Midwives Alliance of North America
Midwifery Market
Amazing Fibers
(from alpacas)
ACNM Colorado Affiliate
Bows By Lisa Luann
Chocolate Crisis Center
Clarity Communications
CLASSE Creations
Consortium of Texas Certified Nurse Midwives
Hacienda Maize
(Jammin' Jellies)
MamAmor Dolls
Maryland State Affiliate
Midwives For Haiti
New Mexico Affiliate of ACNM
Pieces of Bali
Plumtree Baby, LLC
Silpada
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Midwifery Market

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