

## ACNM Research Network Interest Groups

The goal of the ACNM Research Groups is to facilitate women's health research involving ACNM members, including advancement of the ACNM research agenda, by identifying active U.S. midwifery researchers working in similar areas of importance to midwifery.

Objectives: Identification of up-to-date Research Interest Groups within the ACNM is expected to:

- 1) Foster broad-based midwifery research by supplementing the Research Advisory Networking (RAN) begun by the International Confederation of Midwives (ICM).
- 2) Promote opportunities for multi-site U.S. based research.
- 3) Support potential mentoring relationships between new and experienced researchers by providing another mechanism for identification individuals involved in midwifery research and in specific areas of investigation.
- 4) Provide a service to ACNM members and other researchers that facilitates rapid identification and contact between individuals of similar researcher interests to more effectively stimulate and support coordination of midwifery focused research.

Process:

- 1) CNM researchers who wish to be listed within a specific research group or wish to modify their listing should notify the Networking Section chair of the DOR (Kate O'Dell [odellk@ummhc.org](mailto:odellk@ummhc.org))
- 2) Members listed in an Interest Group may choose to organize email discussions, joint projects, or meetings at Annual Meeting; this type of organization will not fall within the venue of the DOR at this time.
- 3) Contact information for CNMs listed on the Interest Group Roster is available in the ACNM on-line directory, through faculty webpages, or through the ICM RAN Researcher listings.