

CERTIFIED NURSE-MIDWIVES IN IDAHO

Nurse-Midwifery in Idaho

- Certified Nurse-Midwives (CNMs) have been practicing in Idaho since 1973. The first nurse-midwife in Idaho began practicing as a member of the faculty at Idaho State University.
- The first nurse-midwifery practice site was established in 1989 at Bonner General Hospital in Sandpoint, ID.
- CNMs in Idaho practice in a variety of settings, including CNM/Physician practices, county prenatal programs, and a migrant council clinic.

Statistics

- Currently, there are 24 CNMs practicing in the state of Idaho.
- There are 14 nurse-midwifery practices located throughout the state.
- In 2004, Idaho CNMs delivered 776 babies, which is 4.4% of all births in Idaho for 2004.

Education

- There are currently 43 accredited education programs in the United States offering post-baccalaureate certificate and masters degree programs in nurse-midwifery and midwifery. A number of these programs have distance learning education options.
- Although there are no programs in Idaho, there are graduate programs in nurse-midwifery in the neighboring states of Utah, Oregon, and Washington.
- For more information, see <http://www.midwife.org/map.cfm>.

Practice and Reimbursement Issues

- Idaho CNMs practice collaboratively with physicians in Idaho.
- Idaho CNMs have had prescriptive authority as nurse-practitioners since 1984.
- Third-party reimbursement is mandated for CNMs in Idaho.

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