

CERTIFIED NURSE-MIDWIVES IN UTAH

Nurse-Midwifery in Utah

- Certified Nurse-Midwives (CNMs) have been practicing in Utah since 1965. The first nurse-midwifery practice was established at the University of Utah Midwifery Program.
- Most Utah CNMs practice in hospitals. CNMs also practice in a variety of settings including private practices, birth centers, health departments, and as faculty in nurse-midwifery education programs.

Statistics

- There are currently 89 CNMs in Utah.
- There are 62 nurse-midwifery practice sites in Utah.
- In 2004, Utah CNMs attended approximately 4,331 births. These deliveries account for 10.8% of the total births in Utah for that year.

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.
- There is a graduate program in nurse-midwifery at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City.
- For more information, see <http://www.midwife.org/map.cfm>.

Practice and Reimbursement Issues

- Nurse-midwifery practice in Utah is regulated by the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing under the Nurse-Midwifery Practice Act of 1994.
- Utah CNMs have had prescription writing authority since 1982.
- CNMs receive mandated third-party reimbursement from most insurances and they are included on some, but not all, PPOs.

This information was provided by the midwives of Utah.

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