

CERTIFIED NURSE-MIDWIVES IN WISCONSIN

Nurse-Midwifery in Wisconsin

- Certified Nurse-Midwives (CNMs) have been practicing continuously in Wisconsin for the past 30 years.
- Wisconsin CNMs practice in a wide variety of settings including public and private hospitals, clinics, HMOs, a university faculty practice, private physician offices, and in-hospital birth centers.
- LaCrosse has the longest continuously run service of 28 years.

Statistics

- There are approximately 120 CNMs residing in Wisconsin.
- The breakdown of CNMs in major Wisconsin cities is as follows:
Milwaukee/Southeastern Wisconsin: 25
LaCrosse: 11
Madison/Monroe: 10
Eau Claire: 7
OshKosh/Neenah/Appleton: 12
- There are over 115 nurse-midwifery practices in the state of Wisconsin.*
- In 2004, Wisconsin CNMs attended approximately 4,208 births. These births account for 7.8% of the total Wisconsin births 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 Marquette University in Milwaukee.
- For more information, see <http://www.midwife.org/map.cfm>.

Practice and Reimbursement Issues

- Nurse-midwifery services in Wisconsin are reimbursed 100% by Medicaid.
- Third-party reimbursement is not mandated for CNMs in Wisconsin.
- Wisconsin grants CNMs prescriptive authority.

This information was provided by the midwives of Wisconsin.

*Number may be underestimation given that source only includes ACNM member self-reported info.

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