The Accreditation Commission for Midwifery Education – ACME (formerly ACNM Division of Accreditation - DOA) encourages strategies to increase access to midwifery education. One strategy is to form affiliations with other programs/institutions that provide options for entry into the ACME-accredited program. In accord with ACME policies and procedures, any such substantive change must be approved by ACME prior to implementation.

It is important for the public to receive accurate information about these affiliations from the programs/institutions involved in such a collaboration. All advertising (e.g. brochures, websites, catalogs) by all involved programs/institutions should make it clear that the midwifery education is provided by the ACME-accredited program. No representations made by the affiliated program/institution should give the impression that the affiliate has an accredited midwifery education program, and it should be clear which institution is awarding each degree or certificate.