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Send us your questions!

Use the GoToMeeting question tool
What is ACNM?

• ACNM is the professional association that represents certified nurse-midwives and certified midwives in the U.S.
• With roots dating to 1929, ACNM is one of the oldest women’s health care organizations in the U.S.
What is ACNM?

7,800 Members

National ACNM Organization

11-member elected Board of Directors + student rep to the board

4 Divisions, 10 Committees, Taskforces (members, volunteers)

Approx 30 National Office paid staff

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What does ACNM do?

• ACNM sets the standard for excellence in midwifery education and practice in the United States and strengthens the capacity of midwives in developing countries.

• ACNM reviews research, administers and promotes continuing education programs, and works with organizations, state and federal agencies, and members of Congress to advance the well-being of women and infants through the practice of midwifery.
ACNM is the leading organization promoting and supporting midwifery in the U.S. and—along with the International Confederation of Midwives (ICM)—globally.

ACNM is your professional partner throughout your career.
ACNM is finalizing a new 5-year strategic plan.

Members
A high-quality, individualized experience for all members. ACNM is viewed by CNMs and CMs and the public as the preeminent midwifery resource.

Affiliate Support
Every affiliate is fully operational. Every member is valued by the affiliate and owns the affiliate’s success as a personal goal.

National Development of Women's Health and Midwifery
All U.S. women have access to high-value midwifery care. An increasing proportion of women choose midwives to be their care providers.

Global Engagement
ACNM promotes the health of women and newborns globally. ACNM provides sustainable pre-service and CE programs for providers of midwifery care.

Organizational Capacity
ACNM is a vibrant, continuously improving organization, with the capacity to support its strategic plan. ACNM is a recognized leader in midwifery and women's health.
YOU ARE ACNM!

Make it Yours!
ACNM Annual Meeting: Student Video Contest due by June 15th!

We Need You to Be a Midwife, by Kendra Adkisson, SNM

- 4th Annual ACNM Video Contest Honorable Mention
- [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DIWlnV0DM-XQ&feature=share&list=UUlvy-E6RVCz4iuN9RpKiKOQ](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DIWlnV0DM-XQ&feature=share&list=UUlvy-E6RVCz4iuN9RpKiKOQ)
• Your entrée to becoming an active member of your professional organization!
• Student work program = free registration
• First-timer Orientation for all attendees
• Workshops on exam prep, Centering Pregnancy + 100 education sessions
• Treats and Greets for students and ACNM BOD/Staff
• Student report to the membership and Board of Directors written by the Students and New Midwives Section (SANMs)
• Participate in shaping ACNM priorities at the Business Meetings
• Networking and socialize with up to 1,500 midwives from all education programs and practices across the country
• Special events:
  – Midwives of Color reception
  – Midwives Political Action Committee reception and silent auction
  – Global health silent reception and silent auction
  – Awards celebration
ACNM 57th Annual Meeting & Exhibition
Midwives of Color Committee Reception
Mark your calendars for a more expanded presentation on the Annual Meeting...

May 27th 8pm EST

Hosted by:

Shannon Keller, Student Representative &
Tish Sullivan, Program Committee chair
Getting Involved: National Opportunities

- Student Representative to the Board—your official voice to the leadership
- Divisions of
  - Education
  - Global Health
  - Research
  - Standards and Practice
Getting Involved: National Opportunities

- Student and New Midwives Section
- Government Affairs Committee
- Midwives-Political Action Committee
- Midwifery Business Network
- Short-term taskforces
GAC and Midwives-PAC

Student Volunteer Opportunities

- **Student Legislative Contact (SLC)**
  - One (or more!) from each midwifery program
  - Use email listserve and quarterly conference calls to stay updated on GAC legislative efforts and Midwives-PAC fundraising activities

- **Student Representative** (4 positions)
  - Voting member of GAC or Midwives-PAC
  - Term is annual meeting to annual meeting
  - Applications due May 1st! Must be ACNM member.
  - More info: [http://www.midwife.org/GAC-and-PAC-Student-Representative-Job-Description](http://www.midwife.org/GAC-and-PAC-Student-Representative-Job-Description)

- Annual meeting activities: **Midwives-PAC Rally** and **Lobby Day**!
- Questions? Contact Emily Yeast: emilyazy@gmail.com
National Caucuses: Networking on Common Interests

- Disaster Preparedness and Response
- Friends of the Midwives of Color Committee and Ethnic Diversity
- Medical Education (Midwives teaching medical residents)
- Midwives Teaching Nurses
- Reproductive Health and Abortion
- New caucuses formed as needed - Midwives Teaching Midwives
Getting Involved with ACNM: State Level

• Affiliates –
  – Every state has one! Organizing in process! Assistance needed w/social media, websites, etc.
  – Every national ACNM member is a member of an Affiliate based on mailing address
  – Moving to another state after school? Join that state affiliate and start networking now!
Scholarships

- A.C.N.M. Foundation
  - Edith B. Wonnell Scholarship
  - Midwives of Color-Watson Scholarship
  - Basic Midwifery Student Scholarships
  - [http://midwife.org/Foundation-Scholarships-and-Awards](http://midwife.org/Foundation-Scholarships-and-Awards)
Questions