

## ACNM Criteria for Fellowship 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Leadership on national or international levels, including but not limited to: ACNM, ACNM Foundation, JMWH, AMCB, ICM, ACME		Leadership on regional, state and/or local levels, including but not limited to: ACNM, ACNM Foundation, JMWH, AMCB, ICM, ACME		Pioneering, innovative, and/or unique contributions to midwifery clinical practice, education, or care of women, infants, families & communities on local, state, regional, national, and/or international levels		Outstanding contributions to the professional growth of midwifery on local, state, regional, national, and/or international levels.		Other significant contributions to perinatal or women's health care or to health care policy on local, state, regional, national, and/or international levels.	
<b>30 points maximum:</b>		<b>30 points maximum:</b>		<b>15 points maximum:</b>		<b>15 points maximum:</b>		<b>10 points maximum:</b>	
30	President	15	Affiliate Chair	15	Unique	10	Preceptor of	10	Chair DOME
20	Board of Directors/ Governors	15	Chapter Chair		program		midwifery students	10	Chair MBN
20	Division Chair	10	Affiliate Officer	15	development	10	> 5 years	10	President or Executive
20	Officer	10	Chapter Officer		Practice		Dissemination of		Officer of a
15	Committee Chair	10	Committee Chair	15	development		research/scholarly		Maternal/Child Health
15	Section Chair	10	Task Force Chair	15	Innovative	10	work by publication		or midwifery-related
15	Task Force Chair	10	Legislative Liaison or work	15	practice		Presentations,	5	organization
15	ACME Board of Review	10	Policy work	15	Innovative		broadcasts, blogs,	5	Officer DOME
15	Caucus Chair	10	Public relations work	15	practice		electronic	5	Officer MBN
10	ACNM National Staff	10	Special projects	15	collaboration	10	communication	5	International work
10	Committee Member	5	Committee Member	10	Innovative		International work	5	Faith-based midwifery
5	Section Member	5	Task Force Member	10	education	5	to further midwifery	5	work
5	Task Force Member				Education		research education		Other work for women
5	Caucus Member			10	Program		Preceptor of health		and babies: MOD,
5	Interorg. Liaison				Director		professional		AWHONN, APHA,
					Clinical Practice		students		ACOG, NGO, USAID,
					Director				

5	Special Project								
5	Member								
5	Peer Reviewer for JMWH			10	Other			5	JHPIEGO, advocacy groups
5	ACME Site Visitor								Peer Reviewer for other relevant journals
___ TOTAL 30 points maximum		___ TOTAL 30 points maximum		___ TOTAL 15 points maximum		___ TOTAL 15 points maximum		___ TOTAL 10 points maximum	
___ TOTAL ALL SECTIONS									

1. It is the candidate's responsibility to demonstrate how the criteria were met over and beyond employment expectations.
2. An accomplishment may be used to satisfy only one criterion.
3. Some language refers to positions or organizational structures that may have changed over time; this past work is still considered in the application.
4. Chair or member of 2 or more separate committees, task forces, sections or caucuses may qualify for earning separate points within a criterion.
5. These scoring criteria are reviewed and revised annually; be sure to use the latest version of scoring criteria found on the FACNM web site.

## Scoring Applications for ACNM Fellowship

### Purpose of ACNM Fellowship

Fellowship in the American College of Nurse-Midwives (FACNM) is an honor earned by those midwives whose demonstrated leadership, clinical excellence, outstanding scholarship, **and** professional achievement have merited special recognition **both within and outside** of the midwifery profession. FACNM represents the **commitment of the ACNM to honor our own**. In light of the vast wealth of expertise and collective wisdom represented within the body of Fellows, its mission is to serve the ACNM in a consultative and advisory capacity.

### Criteria and Scoring

Each year, the FACNM BOG accepts applications for Fellowship and inducts new Fellows-at-Large from qualified applicants. In addition to being certified by the ACNM/AMCB, applicants must have sustained active or associate membership within the ACNM for a minimum of five consecutive years. Points are awarded for significant contributions in the areas listed on the score sheet. Partial points are not awarded. Scores in each column are added up and can only be awarded to the maximum point value noted in each column. The criteria are weighted in the order of the listing and in accord with the percentage in parentheses, with ACNM, ACNM Foundation, JMWH, AMCB, ACME, and ICM services being most important. Total scores of all reviewers are averaged. This averaged score must add up to 70 or more to qualify for Fellowship.

### Select examples of Criteria

*These are examples of work that leads to Fellowship status. This is not an exhaustive list or the only work for the indicator that is recognized.*

Preceptor – Precept midwifery students or other health professional students in clinical settings for a minimum of 5 years

Policy work – Work with state chapter, affiliate or ACNM national office on practice related or maternal-child health legislation

Presentation, broadcasts, blogs, electronic communication – Community presentations, presentations and panels at professional meetings, blogs related to midwifery or maternal-child health, such as substantial contributions to midwifery or maternal-child websites, electronic newsletters or editorial staff publications

International work – work outside the US with health care organizations, precept students in international health experiences, volunteer consultation with maternal-child health care projects outside of the US

Faith-based work – US or international health care work sponsored by a faith-based organization,

International work to further midwifery research or education – work as a member of an international research team, work as a member of an international publication, member of the board of the Virtual International Day of the Midwife, Fulbright Fellowships in midwifery or maternal-child health

Unique program development – develops a novel program that supports midwifery practice or education such as a birth center program for inner city teens, a group prenatal program for mothers with gestational diabetes, a direct entry midwifery educational curriculum, a community-based midwifery curriculum, a virtual breastfeeding support group that is blog-based

For **military midwives**, the following examples would apply:

1. Leadership on national or international levels (30%): consultant or specialty leader (Naval), i.e., to the Surgeon General of the Army. Expand upon your deployment mission and contributions during deployment.
2. Leadership on regional, state, and/or local levels (30%): special projects and policy development, such as breastfeeding or Women in Combat Policy Working Group.
3. Pioneering, innovative, and/or unique contributions to midwifery clinical practice, education, or care of women, infants, families, and communities on the local, state, regional, national, and/or international level (15%): military services that standardize tri-service practice, humanitarian missions, and include involvement with education of midwifery students and medical students/residents.
4. Outstanding contributions to professional growth of midwifery through precepting/mentoring, scholarly endeavors, publications, or research on the local, state, regional, national, and/or international level (15%): same as for non-military midwives.
5. Other significant contributions to perinatal or women's health care or to health care policy on the local, state, regional, national, and/or international level (10%): same as for non-military midwives.

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