Ohio Midwifery Workforce, 2023

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Ohio has not achieved the 6 midwives per 1,000 births recommended by the WHO.

Board-certified midwives include certified nurse-midwives and certified midwives, who are certified by the American Midwifery Certification Board. Board-certified midwives’ professional association is the American College of Nurse-Midwives.

Board-certified midwives’ practice authority is Ohio Rev. Code Ann. §4723.43(A), which was most recently revised in 2020. Board-certified midwives are regulated by the Board of Nursing.

Ohio’s midwifery education programs are located at Case Western Reserve University, Ohio State University, and University of Cincinnati.
Ohio’s maternity care workforce density is like the United States as a whole.

Ohio’s midwife density does not meet the World Health Organization recommended minimum midwifery workforce size of 6 midwives per 1,000 births.
Midwife-attended Births in Ohio

Change in Midwife Attended Births Over Time

- USA
- Ohio
Births by Payer Source, 2022

Sources of Payment for Birth

Percent of Births Midwife-Attended by Payer, Ohio 2022

Other

Self-Pay

Medicaid

Private Insurance
Births by Race or Ethnic Category, 2022

Race & Ethnicity Distribution of Births, 2022

USA
Ohio
Ohio Midwives

Midwife-Attended Births by Race / Ethnicity

More than One
American Indian or Alaska Native
Hispanic
Asian or Pacific Islander
Black non-Hispanic
White non-Hispanic
Births by Maternal Residence

Maternal Residence, 2022

- USA
- Ohio
- Ohio Midwives

Birth Attendants in Ohio

- Metro
- non-Metro

- Physician
- Midwife
Ohio Health Indicators, 2022

Increasing the midwifery workforce size could help Ohio:

• Increase breastfeeding initiation
Ohio Midwifery Regulation **Assets & Opportunities**

1. **Opportunity:** Midwives are required to have a written practice agreement for practice (Ohio Rev. Code Ann. §4723.43(A))

2. **Opportunity:** Midwife prescriptive authority requires a written practice agreement (Ohio Rev. Code Ann. §4723.43(A))

3. **Asset:** Midwives reimbursed at 100% the physician fee (Ohio Rev. Code Ann § 5160-4-04)

4. **Opportunity:** Hospitals are not restricted from having midwives on medical staff, but all patients must be under the care of a physician (Ohio Rev. Code Ann § 3727.06)

5. **Opportunity:** Certified Midwives are not eligible for licensure