Midwife

Provide the necessary supervision, care and advice to women during pregnancy, labor and the postpartum period; conduct vaginal deliveries on the midwife’s own responsibility, and care for the newborn and the infant. Care to mother and child includes preventive measures, detection of abnormal conditions, procurement of medical assistance when necessary, execution of emergency measures in the absence of medical help, and consulting with a physician whenever there are significant deviations from normal or if there is a medical emergency in either the mother or the infant.

Legislation
Statute: NH RSA 326-D
Administrative Rules: Chapter Mid 100 - 500

Certification Requirements
• Have completed high school or its equivalent
• Complete one college-level course in human anatomy and physiology, or pass a college-level equivalency program or credit by exam
• Neonatal resuscitation certification
• Adult and infant/child CPR certification issued by either the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross
• A copy of the North American Registry of Midwives, Certified Professional Midwife (CPM) Certificate that is current;
• A copy of the certificate of completion of the course(s) in birth-related laceration repairs that are credentialed by one of the organizations listed in Mid 405.02(a)(2) or a copy of the transcript or module’s educational objectives or syllabus for birth-related laceration repairs from the program that prepared the applicant for CPM certification;
• A signed statement regarding the number of supervised birth-related laceration repairs from the preceptor as described in Mid 303.02(c)(3)
• Have not been convicted of a crime involving theft, or injury or violence to others
• Have no condition or circumstance of character or mental or physical state that might discredit the applicant, or prevent the applicant from expected performance as a midwife
• Have made arrangements for medical back-up to support the applicant’s practice
• Have made arrangements for prenatal laboratory testing; newborn metabolic screening; and any necessary administration of Rh(D) immune globulin
• Official Transcripts from, or photocopies of diplomas received from, all colleges and universities attended, if any; and Official transcripts from all midwifery schools and colleges attended, if applicable;
• Submit written references
• For identification, a photocopy of the applicant’s current driver’s license, passport or other government-issued identification card bearing the applicant’s picture.
• Pass all required examinations
• New Hampshire residency is not required, but must show intent to practice in New Hampshire
Examination
The following exams are required: North American Registry of Midwives written and oral exam (midwifery knowledge), and New Hampshire written exam (state law).

Continuing Education
The following are required for certificate renewal: 20 contact hours of continuing education; current NRP certification; current CPR certification; and participation in at least six peer reviews including at least one case presentation by the applicant for peer review.

Reciprocity
Those currently licensed or holding other legal recognition from one of the states approved by NARM can qualify for certification if the written examination has been taken.

Active Licenses
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Related Training
Nurse Midwife/Nursing Midwifery; Direct Entry Midwifery

Fees
- New Hampshire Examination: $20.00
- Certification: $110.00
- Biennial renewal: $110.00

O*Net Codes
- 29-9099.09 Midwives

Additional Information Sources
- New Hampshire Midwives Association
  <www.nhmidwives.org>
- North American Registry of Midwives (NARM)
  <www.narm.org>