

148G.12 APPROVED MIDWIFERY EDUCATION PROGRAM.

Subdivision 1. **Initial approval.** A university or college desiring to conduct a certified midwifery education program must submit evidence to the board that the university or college is prepared to:

(1) provide a program of theory and practice in certified midwifery leading to eligibility for certification in midwifery;

(2) achieve preaccreditation and eventual full accreditation by the American Commission for Midwifery Education or any successor organization recognized by the United States Department of Education or the Council for Higher Education Accreditation. Instruction and required experience may be obtained in one or more institutions or agencies outside the applying university or college if the program retains accountability for all clinical and nonclinical teaching; and

(3) meet other standards established by law and by the board.

Subd. 2. **Continuing approval.** The board must, through the board's representative, annually survey all midwifery education programs in Minnesota for current accreditation status by the American Commission for Midwifery Education or any successor organization recognized by the United States Department of Education or the Council for Higher Education Accreditation. If the results of the survey show that a certified midwifery education program meets all standards for continuing accreditation, the board must continue approval of the certified midwifery education program.

Subd. 3. **Loss of approval.** If the board determines that an accredited certified midwifery education program is not maintaining the standards required by the American Commission on Midwifery Education or any successor organization, the board must obtain the defect in writing from the accrediting body. If a program fails to correct the defect to the satisfaction of the accrediting body and the accrediting body revokes the program's accreditation, the board must remove the program from the list of approved certified midwifery education programs.

Subd. 4. **Reinstatement of approval.** The board must reinstate approval of a certified midwifery education program upon submission of satisfactory evidence that the certified midwifery education program of theory and practice meets the standards required by the accrediting body.

History: *1Sp2025 c 3 art 3 s 95*