

CMM CIRCULAR



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Kathy Kirby

Spring is here! When spring arrives, I always feel more energetic. Yard work is so therapeutic...Love digging and getting ready for the garden. I have hauled my patio furniture out and the deck is ready for pots of colorful plants and blooming flowers, and I am ready to embrace another beautiful season. Lake life is not far off...Camping and biking along the lake with my dog! Bonfires and late nights and early to rise with the aroma of campfire coffee and listening to the sound of the loons on the lake!

Wishing everyone a delightful spring and a beautiful summer...! Kathy

Community News

Honouring Indigenous Midwives

I had the privilege of being asked to attend the Manitoba Legislature on May 24th by member Darlene Birch, RM, to witness presentation of a Member's Statement by Bernadette Smith, MLA for Point Douglas, Winnipeg. The Statement outlined the historical significance of midwives to First Nations communities in decades previous, and the decrease of the practice over the last 100 years due to colonization and changes to the health care system. Ms. Smith honoured the four Indigenous midwives in Manitoba at present who she described as incredibly strong and providing essential care to women and their children throughout pregnancy, birth and postpartum – Darlene Birch, Nathalie Pambrun, Sandra Howard and Melissa Brown. Heartfelt congratulations! Patty



Pictured are: Nathalie (and her daughter), Darlene and Melissa.

Missing from the photograph is Sandra.

Art From Tanzania

As you may recall, midwife He Hu gifted the College with an incredible art print at last year's AGM. He had received this print for her efforts in Tanzania from May 28 to June 11, 2017 where she volunteered to train the trainers and provided consulting services to develop the manuals for the Midwives Emergency Skills Training Program (MEST), the only training of its kind, geared specifically to midwives in Tanzania. The hope of the project – a collaboration between the Canadian Association of Midwives (CAM) and the Tanzania Registered Midwives Association (TAMA) – is that this effort will serve as a replicable model to support safe motherhood internationally. More recently, Megan Wilton, RM also went to Tanzania to teach emergency skills. The art print has been framed and was hung with pride in Patty's office.



COMMITTEE UPDATES

Education Committee

The Education Committee met in May 2018. There has been no significant movement towards continuing a midwifery education program or a gap training program in Manitoba. We would like to welcome Melissa Brown, RM (Non-prac), to the Education committee. Marla Gross, RM (Non-prac) will be stepping down as Chairperson in the fall of 2018 and leaving the committee, therefore we will be seeking another member. Please contact Kathy if you are interested! admin@midwives.mb.ca

Board of Assessors Committee

The Board of Assessors Committee completed the registration renewals for the 2018-19 registration year. In the past year, five new midwives have been registered via the IMPP, the Ontario MEP and the Canada Free Trade Agreement. The Board of Assessors has reviewed all materials related to the *Standard on Supervision* and will be circulating an updated package shortly. In the coming year the Board of Assessors will also be the committee responsible for reviewing and approving applications for *Alternate Practice Arrangements*.

Standards Committee

The Standards Committee has been meeting regularly and continues to prioritize review of the *Standard for Discussion, Consultation and Transfer of Care*. *Definitions* and the *Standard for Practice Protocols* are also currently under review.

Quality Assurance Committee

The Quality Assurance Committee has been busy with regular meetings. The committee is currently focusing on reviewing the Random Practice Audit portion of the Quality Assurance Program. The committee is also currently completing a review of the Terms of Reference. The committee would like to welcome new member, Nikki Ibbitt, RM.

Canadian Midwifery Regulators Council (CMRC)

The CMRC has now transitioned to a new governance and leadership structure. For the past 11 years, Kris Robinson held the role of Chairperson and Patty Eadie served as the secretariat officer. CMRC has now restructured and hired a dedicated part-time Executive Director, Tracy Murphy, effective April 1, 2018. We look forward to working with Tracy and are thrilled to see the CMRC continue to grow and move on to this new phase of operations. We owe Kris and Patty so much thanks for putting their time and expertise towards ensuring the CMRC was able to do so much excellent work over the past decade. CMRC has grown in size and scope over the years under their thoughtful guidance.

Reminders

Plan ahead for 2019!

All certifications in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation, Neonatal Resuscitation, Emergency Skills and Fetal Health Surveillance must be current at the time of renewal – by March 31st at the latest. Now is a good time to plan ahead to ensure you have renewed all your required courses prior to the 2019 renewal period. Failure to submit confirmation of currency in these areas may result in suspension of your registration or restrictions on your practice.

CMM 17th Annual General Meeting

Friday, June 22, 2018
Norwood Hotel, Taché Room, 112 Marion Street
11:30 – 12:30 p.m Lunch Service
12:30 – 2:30 pm Formal AGM

Pre-AGM workshop "It's Complicated: Supporting Ethical Decision-Making in Midwifery"

Friday, June 22nd, 2018 at 9:30 am
Presented by Jennifer Dunsford, RN, MN, MPA
In conjunction with the 17th Annual General Meeting

Education Modules

Please complete the module exams by September 1, 2018. Contact Kathy to arrange a suitable time.
admin@midwives.mb.ca

New Arrivals



Rielle was welcomed by her parents Aaron and Brianne Fortier-Turner, with the help of her wonderful midwives Cara and Lisa on March 28th at 1732. She was born at home in water and weighed 8 lbs 1 oz.



Ellie June Beyer was born to Alison Beyer (CMM Public Representative) June 4th in the tub at the Birth Centre into the loving hands of midwives Elaine and Janet. She was tiny weighing in at 6 pounds and 20 inches.

Welcome New Members

Laura MacIntosh, RM – registered January 2, 2018
Employed with the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority.

Topics of Interest

Non-Insured Health Benefits Program Updates

Registered Midwives as Prescribers

Effective November 28, 2017, NIHB recognized registered midwives (RM) as prescribers of MS&E benefits within their scope of practice. This means that, in provinces and territories where midwifery is a regulated health profession, midwives can prescribe pregnancy-related items that are covered by the NIHB Program such as medical grade compression stockings, maternity belts and breast pumps.

Increased coverage for Breast Pumps

On December 11, 2017 manual breast pumps became an open benefit when prescribed by an NIHB-recognized health provider (physician, nurse practitioner or midwife). Prior approval from NIHB is no longer required and the Program will pay up to a maximum of \$65 for a manual breast pump for the birth of each child. For more information, please refer to section 3.1.4 of the [Guide for Medical Supplies and Equipment Benefits](#).

Council and Committee Members of the College

Council of the College

Gina Mount, RM (WRHA) Chairperson
Darlene Birch, RM (Non-prac.) (Kagike Danikobidan Rep.)
Sandra Howard, RM (Northern RHA)
Joan Keenan, RM (WRHA)
Jenna Mennie-Clarke, RM (Prairie Mountain RHA)
Lori Peters (Appointed Public Rep.) Rural
Alison Beyer (Appointed Public Rep.)

Board of Assessors

Janet Macaulay, RM (WRHA) Chairperson
Tricia Guse, RM (Southern Health/Santé Sud)
Kari Hammersley, RM (Prairie Mountain RHA)
Cara McDonald, RM (Southern Health/Santé Sud)
Krystal LeMoullec (Appointed Public Rep.) Rural

Complaints Committee

Jenna Mennie-Clarke, RM (Prairie Mountain RHA)
Chairperson
Laura MacIntosh, RM (WRHA)
Lori Peters, (Appointed Public Rep.) Rural
Darlene Mulholland (Kagike Danikobidan Rep.)

Education Committee

Marla Gross, RM (Non-prac.) Chairperson
Emily Weigelt, RM (WRHA)
Melissa Brown, RM (Non-prac.)
Susie Penner (Appointed Public Rep.) Rural
Kristy Davies (Appointed Public Rep.)

Perinatal Review Committee

Lingou Chen, RM (WRHA)
Lara Petkau, RM (Southern Health/Santé Sud)
Abigail Tackie Larson, RM (WRHA)
Megan Wilton, RM (WRHA)
OBS – pending
New members – pending

Committee to Select Public Representatives

Trina Larsen, Chairperson (Rep. appointed by Women's Health Clinic)
Kari Hammersley, RM (Prairie Mountain RHA)
Sandi Howard, RM (Kagike Danikobidan Rep.)
Bibiane Lafleche (Appointed Public Rep.)
Lori Peters (Appointed Public Rep.) Rural

Standards Committee

Joelle Ross, RM Chairperson
Jennifer Bamford, RM (WRHA)
Darlene Birch, RM (Non-prac.) (Kagike Danikobidan Rep.)
Gordana Lemez, RM (WRHA)
Geraldyn Reimer, RM (Southern Health/Santé Sud)
Rebecca Wood, RM (WRHA)
Lyn Hotchkiss (Appointed Public Rep.) Rural
Bibiane LaFleche (Appointed Public Rep.)

Quality Assurance Committee

Ensieh Taeidi, RM (WRHA) Chairperson
Susan Frank, RM (WRHA)
Marla Gross, RM (Non-prac.)
Baileigh Kaptein, RM (Prairie Mountain RHA)
Nikki Ibbitt, RM (WRHA)
Darlene Mulholland (Kagike Danikobidan Rep.)

Kagike Danikobidan (KD)

Darlene Birch, RM (Non-prac.)
Melissa Brown, RM (Non-prac.)
Sandra Howard, RM (Northern RHA)
Nathalie Pambrun, RM (WRHA)
Darlene Mulholland (Thompson)



Board Room News

Upcoming Council & Committees Meetings

Standards Committee – June 19, 11:00 – 2:00 pm.

Education Committee – TBA

Council – October 5, 9:00 – 2:30 p.m.

Office Closures

Monday July 2 – In Lieu of Canada Day July 1

Monday August 6 – August Long Weekend

Monday September 3 – Labour Day

Office hours

The CMM office is open during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and is closed on Statutory Holidays. Visitors to the office are advised to call ahead to be sure that the appropriate staff is available.

Summer months

During the months of July and August, due to vacation observance and part-time status of Janice and Patty, please call the office first at (204) 783-4520 if you need to come to the office in person

RETURNING TO PRACTICE?

You must submit your
RETURN TO PRACTICE
FORM

30 days prior to returning to work.

You must also be current in
CPR/NRP/ES/FHS. No Exceptions! No Grace
Period!

Contact the CMM

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Submissions are subject to editorial changes.

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