

WHAT IS A MIDWIFE?

Midwives are registered health professionals who care for women and their babies during pregnancy, birth and for the early weeks of the baby's life.

This includes all care in pregnancy, attending women in childbirth, and all care for the newborn baby.

Midwives support women in making choices for themselves and their babies. Midwives attend births in hospitals or at women's homes.

BC Midwives are paid by the Medical Services Plan (MSP).

Aboriginal midwives in practice before 1995 may practice traditional midwifery on reserves. New midwives must graduate from an accepted educational program and register with the College of Midwives of BC. Only those registered may use the title "midwife".

Committee on Aboriginal Midwifery

College of Midwives of British Columbia

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*We are dedicated to ensuring that
women and their families
receive a high standard of
midwifery care.*

**Are you an
Aboriginal woman
who cares about
healthy babies?**



Photo by Sage Thomas

**Become a
Registered Midwife
and provide personal,
professional care to
your community**

Routes to Midwifery Registration

Midwifery education at UBC leads directly to registration with the College of Midwives of BC.

University of British Columbia

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www.midwifery.ubc.ca

SUPPORTS FOR ABORIGINAL MIDWIFERY STUDENTS AT UBC

UBC Midwifery Program

The UBC Midwifery Program reserves two seats for a qualifying aboriginal student each year. Students may self-identify as Aboriginal on their university application or by separate contact. UBC Midwifery has established a Committee for Aboriginal, Rural and Remote Education with a mandate of developing core curricula, clinical placement opportunities, mentors, and a database of university resources to support Aboriginal midwifery students at UBC and externally.

UBC Vancouver Aboriginal Portal

Phone: (604) 822-8940 <http://aboriginal.ubc.ca>

Aboriginal Student Recruiter Advisor

Sarah Lalonde

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Aboriginal Student Finance and Awards

www.students.ubc.ca/finance/aboriginal-students

Centre for Excellence in Indigenous Health

<http://health.aboriginal.ubc.ca/>

Laurentian, McMaster and Ryerson's Midwifery Programs in Ontario are approved for registration in British Columbia.

Université du Québec à Trois Rivières currently has interim approval for student placement.

University College of the North has not yet applied for approval in BC.

Laurentian University

Sudbury, Ontario
Tel: 1 (800) 461-4030
This program is offered in both English and French.
<http://laurentian.ca/program/midwifery>

McMaster University

Hamilton, Ontario
Tel: (905) 525-9140
<http://fhs.mcmaster.ca/midwifery>

Ryerson University

Toronto, Ontario
Tel: (416) 979-5104
www.ryerson.ca/~midwife

Université du Québec à Trois Rivières

Trois Rivières, QC
Tel: (819) 376-5011 poste 4065
This program is offered in French only.
www.uqtr.ca/sage-femme

University College of the North

Kanaci Otinowawosowin
(Aboriginal Midwifery)
Baccalaureate (KOB) Program
Manitoba
<https://www.ucn.ca/sites/academics/midwifery/Pages/Midwifery.aspx>

For information regarding supports for Aboriginal students at universities outside of BC, please contact the individual Midwifery Program.

OTHER SUPPORT

Midwives Association of British Columbia

Aboriginal Midwifery Committee

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