Global Standards for Midwifery Regulation
Overview of State Licensure for CPM’s
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Vision

a world where every childbearing woman has access to a midwife's care for herself and her newborn

Mission

To strengthen member associations and to advance the profession of midwifery globally by promoting autonomous midwives as the most appropriate caregivers for childbearing women and in keeping birth normal, in order to enhance the reproductive health of women, and the health of their newborn and their families.
The voice of midwives globally

- Umbrella organisation of professional midwifery associations
- An accredited non-governmental organisation
- 116 Member Associations
- 300,000 Midwives
- 101 Countries
- 4 Regions
Pillars of Midwifery

- Education
- Regulation
- Association

ICM Essential Competencies
Regulation Standards

2002 – 2008
Position Statements

2008 – 2011
Standards developed

Midwives & Policymakers
4 Regions
Member Associations
All Economic Settings
Regulation Standards

Purpose:
Protect safety of mother and baby receiving midwifery care through 6 main regulatory functions.

1. Setting the scope of midwifery practice
2. Setting/approving standards for pre-registration midwifery education
3. Registering midwives
4. Relicensing midwives who remain competent after registration
5. Disciplining midwives found to breach standards
6. Setting code of conduct and ethics
Regulation Standards

- Deliberately generic
- Benchmark for global standardization
- Basis for review of existing
- Guidance and direction to countries/states where none exist
- ‘Ideal” regulatory direction to underpin and enable autonomous practice of midwives
Regulation Standards

Model of regulation

Protection of the title

Governance

Function
Thank You

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