



NEW BUSINESS APPLICATION

PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY

**CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIVES
Claims-Made and Reported Coverage**

This application must be completed, signed and dated by the applicant. All questions must be answered completely. The information is required to make an underwriting and pricing evaluation. Your answers are considered legally material to that evaluation. If any question does not apply, indicate NOT APPLICABLE. If space is not sufficient to properly answer the question, please provide the details in the Additional Information section of this form or you may attach a separate page using your letterhead. To use this form, you may mouse click on a field or move between fields using the tab key. To check a box, you may mouse click or press the space bar.

The following additional information is required. Delay in providing this information will impede the company's decision to provide requested coverage:

1. Patient Informed Consent forms
2. Continuing Education Course Certificates
3. Copy of your Curriculum Vitae
4. Copy of your current professional liability insurance Declarations Page
5. Brochures, pamphlets, advertisements, or other descriptive literature of operations and services
6. Company loss runs for the past seven (7) years, valued within the last 90 days

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

1	Applicant Name: Entity Name	Date of Birth:
2	Name of any Professional Corporation, Partnership or Association of which the applicant is an owner and the percentage of ownership:	Name: % Name: %
3	Mailing Address: City: County: State: ZIP:	
4	Primary Office Address: City: County: State: ZIP:	Telephone No.:
	Do you have more than one practice location? If YES , please provide the following for each location: location address, hours of operation, procedures performed, number of years at location:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
5	E-mail:	Web Site:
6	Home Address: City: County: State: ZIP:	
7	Are you in active, full-time practice? If NO , describe in the Additional Information section or on a separate sheet.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

II. TRAINING and EDUCATION

1	Undergraduate: Degree:	From:	To:	Major:
2	Nurse Midwife Training completed at:			
3	Date:	Degree: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
4	List all states where you practice or have a CNM license:			
	State	License Number	Issue Date	Expiration Date
				% of practice in each state
				%
				%
5	Are you certified by the American Midwifery Certification Board?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

III. PRACTICE HISTORY AND DESCRIPTION

1	List all locations where you have practiced in the past ten (10) years:				
	Street Address & City	County	State	From	To

2	List all Hospitals and Birthing Centers where you have staff privileges:				
	Facility	City & State	% of Practice	Type of Privilege	
3	Do you practice as:				
	<input type="checkbox"/> Private Solo Practice	<input type="checkbox"/> Employee of a clinic			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Private Group Practice	<input type="checkbox"/> Owner of a Birthing Center			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Employee of OB/GYN Group	<input type="checkbox"/> Employee of a Birthing Center			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Independent Contractor with OB/GYN Group	<input type="checkbox"/> Employee of a Hospital			
4	Do you have a written agreement with a physician who is certified by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology? If no, please explain.				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
5	Do you employ, contract with or supervise any medical professionals? If YES , provide the number of professionals below:				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
		Type	Employed	Contracted	Supervised
a	Midwife	Certified Nurse Midwife			
		Nurse Midwife			
		Midwife			
b	Nurses	Nurse Practitioner			
		Registered Nurse			
		Licensed Practical Nurse			
c	Other (provide details)				
d	Doula				
6	Legal/Professional/Administrative Actions against you: If you answer YES to any of these questions, please describe in the Additional Information section or on a separate sheet.				
a	Have your hospital or birthing center privileges ever been suspended, restricted, denied, placed in probationary status, or revoked?				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
b	Has your midwifery certification or membership in any society or association ever been refused, suspended, revoked or voluntarily surrendered?				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
c	Has your license(s) to practice midwifery ever been limited, suspended, revoked, denied, voluntarily surrendered or investigated by any licensing board or regulatory agency?				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
d	Has any fee or professional relations complaint been registered against you with your association(s), hospital(s), birthing center or a state licensing authority?				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
e	Have you ever been diagnosed or treated for alcoholism, drug addiction, any chemical dependency, or a mental or chronic physical illness?				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
f	Have you ever been charged with, or convicted of a crime other than minor traffic violations?				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
IV. PROCEDURES AND PRACTICE DETAIL					
1	Average weekly practice hours				
2	Average number of patients seen per week?				
3	How many patients are not related to pregnancy?				
4	Are patients screened prior to delivery and determined to be low risk of complications and able to undergo a routine delivery? (Patients including but not limited to those with diabetes, pre-eclampsia, maternal high blood pressure, placenta problems, prior c-section delivery, multiple births or previous birth complications are not considered to be low risk.)				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
5	Do you obtain a written informed consent agreement from all patients?				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6	<i>What is the procedure if patients are determined to be other than low risk?</i>				
	a	Referred to OB or other physician for medical care and/or delivery?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	b	Other (describe in Additional Information section)			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
7	Do you practice with no deliveries? If yes, please skip questions 8 through 13.				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
8	What is the annual number of the following procedures?				
		Projected	First Past Year	Second Past Year	
	a	Vaginal Deliveries			
	b	Caesarean Sections – scheduled			
	c	Caesarean Sections – emergency			
	d	Multiple Births			
	e	Patients transferred to a hospital after delivery			

	f	VBACs			
9	If involved with C-Section deliveries, describe the role that you perform:				
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Observe			
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Assist			
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Second Assist			
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (describe):			
10	What percentage of your deliveries is done in each of the following locations?				
		Location	Projected	First Past Year	Second Past Year
		Hospital			
		Birth Center			
		Home			
		Other (describe):			
11	Do you induce labor? If YES , with:				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
		Pitocin/Oxytocin?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
		Amniotomy?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
		Other (describe)			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
12	Do you use epidurals? If YES , who administers?				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
13	Is a physician in attendance at any deliveries? If YES , describe :				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
14	What is the status of any physician during any of your shifts?				
		On-Call			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
		On-Site			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
15	Do you act as a clinical preceptor for midwifery students? If YES , Number of Students per year?				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	Do you obtain Proof of Insurance for the students?				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

V. PRIOR POLICY and LOSS INFORMATION

1	Provide the following information pertaining to your Professional Liability coverage over the past seven (7) years.						
	Policy Period	Insurance Carrier	Policy Limits	Deductible	Type of Policy	Premium	Total # of Claims
					<input type="checkbox"/> CM <input type="checkbox"/> Occ		
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					<input type="checkbox"/> CM <input type="checkbox"/> Occ		
2	Have you ever practiced without Professional Liability insurance? If YES , when? From: to:					<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
3	Have you ever had any insurance company decline, cancel, rescind or non-renew any Professional Liability Insurance Policy? (Response not required in the State of Missouri) If YES , please provide details:					<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
4	Are you aware of any of the following: If YES to any of the below, provide details in the Additional Information section or on a separate sheet.						
a	Known losses or claims that have not been reported to a current or prior insurance carrier or any other source from which payment might be made?					<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
b	A specific act, omission or circumstance involving particular and specific professional service(s) that may result in a claim, that has not been reported to a current or prior insurance carrier?					<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
c	Any request for medical records by a patient or an attorney which might result in a claim?					<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
d	Information relating to service(s) on a Board which might result in a claim?					<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
e	Any current or prior professional liability carrier refusing coverage for, or declining to accept a report of a specific act, omission or circumstance involving particular and specific professional service(s) that may result in a claim, claim, threat of claim, letter of intent, adverse result notice or attorney contact?					<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
f	Any involvement, now or ever, in any Professional Liability claim or suit? If YES , a Claim Information Supplemental Application must be completed for each claim.					<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

VI. COVERAGE REQUESTED

NOTE: The Company may not offer or quote requested coverage.

Effective Date:

Retroactive Date:

Important: Declarations Page of your current policy must be attached if a retroactive date is requested.

Limits of Liability:	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 100,000 / \$300,000	Deductible:	None
	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 200,000 / \$600,000		Other: \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 250,000 / \$750,000		
	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000,000 / \$3,000,000		

VII. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, AUTHORIZATION and SIGNATURE

PLEASE PROVIDE ADDITIONAL COMMENTS THAT WOULD FURTHER CLARIFY THE INFORMATION ABOVE OR ADDRESS CHARACTERISTICS OF YOUR PRACTICE NOT SPECIFICALLY ADDRESSED HEREIN.

By signing this Application, you represent and agree to each of the following five (5) items:

1	You have made a comprehensive internal inquiry or investigation to determine whether anyone in your organization is aware of any actual or alleged fact, circumstance, situation, act, error or omission which may reasonably be expected to result in a claim, and have fully and completely divulged any and all such situations in this Application; and		
2	This Application, along with each of the following applicable Supplemental Applications, are hereby being submitted to the Company (Please check all that apply)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Claim Information Supplemental Application	<input type="checkbox"/> Statement of No Known Claims Letter	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:		
3	Each of the statements and answers given in this Application, and in each of the Supplemental Applications checked in Number 2. above, are:		
	a	Accurate, true and complete to the best of your knowledge and no material facts have been suppressed or misstated;	
	b	Representations you are making on behalf of all persons and entities proposed to be insured;	
	c	A material inducement to the insurance company to provide insurance, and any policy issued by the insurance company is issued in specific reliance upon these representations.	
4	This Application, along with each of the Supplemental Applications checked in Number 2. above, are hereby deemed to be attached to the policy contract, and incorporated into the policy contract, whether or not any of the Supplemental Applications are physically attached to a particular copy of the policy contract, and regardless of whether any of the Supplemental Applications are signed or dated.		
5	You agree to promptly report to the Company, in writing, any material change in your operations, conditions, or answers provided in this Application, or any Supplemental Application, that may occur or be discovered after the completion date of said Application(s), but before the inception date of the policy. Upon receipt of any such written notice, the Company has the right, at its sole discretion, to modify or withdraw any proposal for insurance.		

FRAUD WARNING

Notice to Applicants of all states except New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, and Washington D.C.:

Any person who knowingly, and with the intent to defraud any insurance company or other person, files an application for insurance or statement of claim containing any material false information or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime and subjects the person to criminal and civil penalties and denial of insurance benefits.

Notice to New Jersey Applicants:

Any person who includes any false or misleading information on an application for an insurance policy is subject to criminal and civil penalties.

Notice to New York Applicants:

Any person who knowingly and with the intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information, or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto, commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime, and shall also be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars and the stated value of the claim for each provision.

Notice to Pennsylvania Applicants:

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or a statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime and subjects such person to criminal and civil penalties.

Notice to Washington D.C. Applicants:

WARNING: It is a crime to provide false or misleading information to an insurer for the purpose of defrauding the insurer or any other person. Penalties include imprisonment and/or fines. In addition, an insurer may deny insurance benefits if false information materially related to a claim was provided by the applicant.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Failure to report any claim made against you during your current policy term, or facts, circumstances or events which may give rise to a claim against you to your current insurance company BEFORE expiration of your current policy term may create a lack of coverage.

COMPLETION OF THIS FORM DOES NOT BIND COVERAGE. APPLICANT'S ACCEPTANCE OF COMPANY'S QUOTATION IS REQUIRED PRIOR TO BINDING COVERAGE AND POLICY ISSUANCE. IT IS AGREED THAT THIS FORM SHALL BE THE BASIS OF THE CONTRACT SHOULD A POLICY BE ISSUED, AND IT WILL ATTACH TO THE POLICY.

The applicant must sign this Application within thirty (30) days prior to the policy inception date.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Print or Type Name and Title