

Direct Entry Midwives Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
October 7, 2015

The October 7, 2015 meeting of the Direct Entry Midwives Advisory Committee was held in the Board of Nursing Board Room.

Those present were the following Committee Members: Jan Kriebs, CNM, MSN, FACNM; Alexa Richardson, CPM; Deana Frank, Consumer Member; and Kai Parker, CPM.

Also present: A'lise Williams, Director of Nursing Practice, Board Staff; Robyn Elliott, Lobbyist, ACNM.

Those absent: Elizabeth Reiner, CPM, LM; Jennifer Witten, Director MHA; and Julia Perkins, CNM, MSN.

A document entitled "Midwifery Advisory Committee Duties" was a condensed version of duties outlined in HB9. Several modifications were agreed upon, i.e., terms of commitment to be identified on letters of approval; consider regulations that the Direct Entry Advisory Committee advise the Board of Nursing on all complaints against DEMs, similar as CBA Advisory Committee functions; and "Duties of Council" tasks to be identified and charged to the Stakeholders group.

It was suggested the Committee elect leaders, and the Committee will discuss nominations and possible elections at its next meeting.

The Committee reviewed HB9 to identify areas for regulations. (1) Create standardized forms for sharing medical information as outlined in HB9, page 9. (2) Committee moved towards creating standardized forms for sharing patient medical information and questioned whether electronic notification or messaging would be adequate. It was suggested the Committee inquire whether MIEMSS has protocols for this issue. The regulations shall identify screenings, how performed, documented, and provided to provider to whom patient is transferred. The Committee will continue their review of HB9 and create a list of regulatory concerns at future meetings.

The next two Committee meetings are to be held on October 21, 2015 from 3-5 p.m. and October 28, 2015 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The meetings will be held in the Board Room of Maryland Board of Nursing.

The Stakeholder group will meet on October 28, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

A'lise Williams, Director of Nursing Practice
Board of Nursing Staff

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