

Board of Certified Direct-Entry Midwives Meeting - July 30, 2025

Alaska Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing Videoconference 2025-07-30 09:00 - 12:00 AKDT

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Virtual Meeting Code of Conduct

I understand that by participating in any virtual board meeting or event hosted by the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, I am agreeing to the following code of conduct:

Expected Behavior

- All board members, invited guests, members of the public, and staff will be treated with respect.
- Be considerate, respectful, and collaborative with fellow participants.
- Demonstrate understanding that the boards are following a business agenda and may reasonably change it to ensure meeting efficiency.
- Speak only when recognized by the Chair. When speaking, adhere to the topic and time limits.
- Recognize the Chair has the authority to manage the meeting, and staff may intercede to assist, if needed.
- All participants are subject to State and Federal laws.

Unacceptable Behavior

- Harassment, intimidation, stalking, or discrimination in any form is considered unacceptable behavior and is prohibited.
- Physical, verbal or non-verbal abuse, or threat of violence toward any board member, invited guest, member of the public, staff, or any other meeting guest/participant by any meeting participant is prohibited.
- Disruption of any meeting or hosted online session is prohibited. Public participants should mute their microphones and turn off video when not recognized by the chair.
- Examples of unacceptable behavior include:
 - Interrupting the meeting without being recognized by the Chair.
 - Making harassing comments or exhibiting other disruptive unprofessional behavior.
 - Comments related to gender, gender identity or expression, age, sexual orientation, disability, physical appearance, body size, race, religion, national origin, or political affiliation;
 - Sharing screen or presenting video without being recognized by the Chair;
 - Inappropriate use of nudity and/or sexual images in presentations;

- Use of music, noise, or background conversations as a disruption. While this may happen briefly or incidentally, prolonged or repeated incidents are prohibited.
- Shouting, badgering, or continued talking over the speaker who has been recognized by the Chair.

Reporting Unacceptable Behavior

If you or anyone else in the meeting is in immediate danger or threat of danger at any time, please contact local law enforcement by calling 911. All other reports should be made to a member of the management team.

Consequences

If the director of the division/agency hosting the meeting determines that a person has violated any part of this code of conduct, staff or board members may take any of the following actions against any individual or group found to be in repeated violation of the code of conduct:

Sanctions may include, but are not limited to:

- Verbal or written warnings;
- Limiting a participant's ability to engage in the meeting, including muting, stopping video, or expelling a participant from the meeting;
- Suspending attendance at a future meeting or event both virtual and in-person;
- Reporting conduct to an appropriate state entity/organization;
- Reporting conduct to local law enforcement.



Board of Certified Direct-Entry Midwives Meeting - July 30, 2025

Alaska Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing Wednesday, July 30, 2025 at 9:00 AM AKDT to 12:00 PM AKDT Videoconference

Meeting Details: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/QmMHQjBQQnKDlvB9OcLWNA

Agenda

1. Call to Order	9:00 AM
A. Roll Call	
Board Members:	
 Holly Steiner, RN, CDM, CPM, Chair Bethel Belisle, CDM, CPM Darcy Lucey, APRN, CNM Lori Lindsay, MD Stacia Miller 	
B. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest	
C. Accept Agenda	0.10 ANA
2. Public Comment	9:10 AM
3. Board Administrative Business	0.20 484
A. Asher Belisle Application B. Board Project - Applications by Credentials	9:20 AM 9:50 AM
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C. Set Next Meeting Date(s)	10:25 AM
4. Investigative Report Presenter: Christina Bond	10:30 AM
5. Division Update - FY25Q3 Presenter: Melissa Dumas	10:45 AM
6. Legislative Update	11:00 AM
7. Regulation Projects - Update	11:15 AM
8. Letters of Support	11:30 AM
 HB 158/SB 145: Professional Licensing; Temporary Permits SB 124/HB131: Nurse Licensure Compact SB 121: Health Insurance Allowable Charges 	
9. Next Steps	11:45 AM
10. Adjourn	12:00 PM



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MEMORANDUM

DATE:

July 10, 2025

TO:

Board of Certified Direct-Entry Midwives

THRU:

Erika Prieksat, Chief Investigator

FROM:

Christina Bond, Investigator

RE:

Investigative Report for the July 30, 2025 Meeting

The following information was compiled as an investigative report to the Board for the period of March 05, 2025 thru July 10, 2025; this report includes cases, complaints, and intake matters handled since the last report.

Matters opened by the Paralegals in Anchorage and Juneau, regarding continuing education audits and license action resulting from those matters are covered in this report.

OPEN - 1

Case Number	Violation Type	<u>Case Status</u>	Status Date
DIRECT-ENTRY MID	WIFE		
2025-000443	License Application Review/Referral	Complaint	06/17/2025

Closed - 3

Case #	<u>violation Type</u>	<u>Case Status</u>	Closea	Closure
DIRECT-ENTRY MIDWI	IFE			
2025-000007	Unprofessional conduct	Closed-Complaint	06/13/2025	No Action - No Violation
2025-000229	License Application Review/Referral	Closed-Complaint	06/05/2025	No Action - No Violation
2025-000008	Unprofessional conduct	Closed-Investigation	07/01/2025	Advisement Letter

END OF REPORT

Department of Commerce Community, and Economic Development Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing

Summary of All Professional Licensing Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures

Board of Certified Direct Entry Midwives		FY 18	FY 19	Biennium		FY 20	FY 21	Biennium		FY 22	FY 23	Biennium		FY 24	FY 25 1st -3rd QTR
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Revenue	_	24.565 6	425 505	ć 100.100	ے ا	45 200 ¢	1.42.045	ć 450.225	ہ ا	17.0CF ¢	02.600	ć 00.745	_ ا	12.040 ¢	72.250
Revenue from License Fees	\$	24,565 \$	135,595	\$ 160,160	\$	15,280 \$	142,945	\$ 158,225	\$	•	82,680		\$	12,949 \$	72,350
General Fund Received						\$	-	-	٦	1,165 \$	320	1,485	\$	914 \$	-
Allowable Third Party Reimbursements		- 24.565 6	-	- 450.450	\$	- \$	- 112 0 15	- 450 225	\$	- \$	-	- 101 220	\$	- \$	- 72.250
TOTAL REVENUE	\$	24,565 \$	135,595	\$ 160,160	\$	15,280 \$	142,945	\$ 158,225	\$	18,230 \$	83,000	\$ 101,230	\$	13,863 \$	72,350
<u>Expenditures</u>															
Non Investigation Expenditures															
1000 - Personal Services		12,504	8,921	21,425		15,274	10,107	25,381		13,702	13,882	27,584		3,822	12,678
2000 - Travel		-	-	-		-	-	-		-	5,490	5,490		-	-
3000 - Services		2,359	2,614	4,973		1,251	9,456	10,707		2,600	7,683	10,283		2,474	245
4000 - Commodities		52	13	65		-	-	-		-	-	-		-	-
5000 - Capital Outlay		-		-		-	-	-		-	-	-		-	-
Total Non-Investigation Expenditures		14,915	11,548	26,463		16,525	19,563	36,088		16,302	27,055	43,357		6,296	12,924
Investigation Expenditures															
1000-Personal Services		1,522	2,041	3,563		3,142	2,397	5,539		1,215	5,476	6,691		1,383	400
2000 - Travel		•	-	-		-	-	-		-	-	-		-	-
3023 - Expert Witness		-	-	-		2,250	_	2,250		-	_	-		-	_
3088 - Inter-Agency Legal		878	2,419	3,297		10,623	727	11,350		727	12,039	12,766		904	_
3094 - Inter-Agency Hearing/Mediation		-	-	-		-	_	-		-	-	_		6,770	_
3000 - Services other			94	94		9	_	9		-	59	59		9,607	-
4000 - Commodities			-	_		-	_	-		-	_	_		-	_
Total Investigation Expenditures		2,400	4,554	6,954		16,024	3,124	19,148		1,942	17,574	19,516		18,665	400
Total Direct Expenditures		17,315	16,102	33,417		32,549	22,687	55,236		18,244	44,629	62,873		24,961	13,324
Total Birect Expenditures		17,313	10,102	33,417		32,343	22,007	33,230	Т	10,244	++,023	02,073		24,301	13,324
Indirect Expenditures															
Internal Administrative Costs		2,898	2,433	5,331		2,910	1,831	4,741		2,271	3,296	5,567		1,429	1,072
Departmental Costs		2,598	2,473	5,071		2,668	2,008	4,676		2,594	2,623	5,217		1,335	1,001
Statewide Costs		1,568	1,150	2,718		2,426	1,716	4,142		1,875	2,105	3,980		504	378
Total Indirect Expenditures		7,064	6,056	13,120		8,004	5,555	13,559		6,740	8,024	14,764		3,268	2,451
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	24,379 \$	22,158	\$ 46,537	\$	40,553 \$	28,242	\$ 68,795	\$	24,984 \$	52,653	\$ 77,637	\$	28,229 \$	15,775
Cumulative Surplus (Deficit)															
Beginning Cumulative Surplus (Deficit)	\$	(135,724) \$	(135,538)		\$	(22,101) \$	(47,374)		\$	67,329 \$	60,575		\$	90,922 \$	76,556
Annual Increase/(Decrease)		186	113,437			(25,273)	114,703			(6,754)	30,347			(14,366)	56,575
Ending Cumulative Surplus (Deficit)	\$	(135,538)	(22,101)		\$	(47,374) \$	67,329		\$	60,575 \$	90,922		\$	76,556 \$	
Statistical Information															
Number of Licenses for Indirect calculation		61	55			51	50			47	54			44	

Additional information:

- General fund dollars were received in FY21-FY24 to offset increases in personal services and help prevent programs from going into deficit or increase fees.
- Most recent fee change: Fee reduction FY23
- Annual license fee analysis will include consideration of other factors such as board and licensee input, potential investigation load, court cases, multiple license and fee types under one program, and program changes per AS 08.01.065.

Appropriation Name (Ex)	(All)
Sub Unit	(All)
PL Task Code	MID1

Sum of Budgetary Expenditures	Object Type Name (Ex)		
Object Name (Ex)	1000 - Personal Services	3000 - Services	Grand Total
1011 - Regular Compensation	7,332.55		7,332.55
1023 - Leave Taken	1,031.71		1,031.71
1028 - Alaska Supplemental Benefit	513.24		513.24
1029 - Public Employee's Retirement System Defined Benefits	246.42		246.42
1030 - Public Employee's Retirement System Defined Contribution	389.60		389.60
1034 - Public Employee's Retirement System Defined Cont Health Reim	218.07		218.07
1035 - Public Employee's Retiremnt Sys Defined Cont Retiree Medical	61.81		61.81
1037 - Public Employee's Retiremnt Sys Defined Benefit Unfnd Liab	1,321.77		1,321.77
1039 - Unemployment Insurance	6.59		6.59
1040 - Group Health Insurance	1,460.69		1,460.69
1042 - Worker's Compensation Insurance	47.60		47.60
1047 - Leave Cash In Employer Charge	193.47		193.47
1048 - Terminal Leave Employer Charge	125.98		125.98
1053 - Medicare Tax	116.44		116.44
1077 - ASEA Legal Trust	5.91		5.91
1079 - ASEA Injury Leave Usage	0.18		0.18
1080 - SU Legal Trst	6.52		6.52
3085 - Inter-Agency Mail		0.69	0.69
3088 - Inter-Agency Legal		244.56	244.56
Grand Total	13,078.55	245.25	13,323.80



BOARD OF CERTIFIED DIRECT-ENTRY MIDWIVES

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[Month, Day, Year]

The Honorable Scott Kawasaki Chair, Senate State Affairs Committee Alaska State Capitol, Room 119 Juneau, Alaska 99801

The Honorable Ted Eischeid Chair, House Military and Veterans' Affairs Alaska State Capitol, Room 412 Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Senator Kawasaki and Representative Eischeid,

The Board of Certified Direct-Entry Midwives supports SB 145 and HB 158, Universal Temporary Licensure. The board supports the bill because it establishes a single, streamlined temporary license, replacing the various temporary privileges found across Alaska's professional licensing laws. This will make it easier for the applicant to determine what license to apply for. This new license grants a qualified applicant holding a valid out-of-state license the ability to practice in the state for a specified period. Additionally, this bill brings Alaska into compliance with federal professional license portability under the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (SCRA) by requiring DCCED to issue a professional license to a military servicemember or spouse who holds an out-of-state license and relocates to Alaska under military orders.

We urge the Legislature to pass SB 145 or HB 158.

Sincerely,

Holly Steiner, RN, CDM, CPM Chair, Board of Certified Direct-Entry Midwives



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May 21, 2025

The Honorable Jesse Bjorkman Chair, Senate Labor and Commerce Committee Alaska State Capitol, Room 427 Juneau, Alaska 99801

The Honorable Zach Fields Chair, House Labor and Commerce Committee Alaska State Capitol, Room 24 Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Senator Bjorkman and Representative Fields,

The Alaska Board of Certified Direct-Entry Midwives supports SB 124 and HB 131, Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC). Certified Direct-Entry Midwives have a long-standing professional relationship with RNs and LPNs and value their expertise and collaboration. NLC addresses the nursing shortage and lack of access to healthcare for Alaskans in the most direct way, without giving up any state sovereignty, public safety measures, or Alaska laws. Alaska needs to do everything it can to fill nursing vacancies to improve access to health care for Alaskans. We support the ability for nurses to join this compact to minimize administrative workload and strengthen Alaska's healthcare workforce.

We urge the Legislature to pass SB 124 or HB 131.

Sincerely,

Holly Steiner, RN, CDM, CPM Chair, Board of Certified Direct-Entry Midwives