



Board of Certified Direct-Entry Midwives Meeting - March 5, 2026

Alaska Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing

Virtual

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BOARD OF CERTIFIED DIRECT-ENTRY MIDWIVES -- EMERGENCY MEETING

THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING, HEREBY ANNOUNCES THE FORTHCOMING MEETING:

BOARD OF CERTIFIED DIRECT-ENTRY MIDWIVES -- EMERGENCY MEETING. March 5, 2026. 12:00pm. Teleconference/videoconference to conduct a regular board meeting. Participants must register to attend. The Zoom link to attend is

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/LoVg-WjSQGakyUaifL6uMg>

For more information, visit

<https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/Midwives/BoardMeetingSchedule>

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Attachments, History, Details

Attachments

None

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Details

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Thursday, March 5, 2026 at 12:00 PM AKST to Thursday, March 5, 2026 at 1:30 PM

AKST

Virtual

Meeting Details: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/LoVg-WjSQGakyUaifL6uMg>

Additional Meeting Details: Meeting registration required

Agenda

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| 1. Call to Order | 12:00 PM |
| A. Roll Call | |
| Board Members: | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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 | |
| MID Statutes and Regulations - December 2023 | |
| 2. Public Comment | 12:10 PM |
| 3. Board Administrative Business | |
| A. Board Correspondence | 12:20 PM |
| B. Legislative Update | 12:50 PM |
| 4. Next Steps | 12:55 PM |
| 5. Adjourn | |

Stella Lyn
Formerly CDM #73

February 10, 2026

Dear Members of the Board of Certified Direct-Entry Midwives:

I am writing as a formerly licensed CPM and CDM seeking to relicense. I am near recertification with NARM and obtaining my midwifery license in Oregon based on my past experience, which that licensing board will honor. I understand that Alaska will not, due to the passage of too much time since my credentials expired, and that in order to relicense, I must be a CPM in good standing and attend ten recent births, with five being in the Primary role.

I've heard conflicting information about how to gather these birth experiences. There appears to be a Catch-22: I'm required to attend births to get my license but can't attend those births without a license.

Due to financial and logistical constraints, I am unable to travel out of state to acquire those numbers, so I am asking you to help make this transition possible by granting me an apprentice permit with certain modifications.

I already completed an entire apprenticeship program in good standing and earned my CDM license in 2013, then worked in the community through two licensing periods before allowing the lapse. Having run a thriving independent practice, I am not a student or apprentice, but an experienced practitioner, returning to the field.

I recently completed Mercy In Action's extensive NARM preparation course, in order to brush up on my knowledge and prepare to sit, once again, for the NARM exam (required for CPM recertification after expiration).

I am requesting an apprentice permit allowing me to complete five birth assists and five primaries under supervision. A licensed CDM preceptor is willing to sign off, and local opportunities exist to fulfill these requirements. I am more than willing to pay the fee and want to be an upstanding member of our midwifery community. I would be doing these births as a legally licensed midwife from Oregon and a CPM in good and current standing, and a permitted "apprentice" with your blessing. To upend my life to move out state, just to acquire the 10 births the board requires, is untenable.

Please consider my request in the spirit of supporting the continuation of our occupation and growth in the number of licensed midwives in our state.

Thank you for your consideration and time,

Stella Lyn
Formerly CDM #73