

Notice of Proposed Regulation Changes – Direct Entry Midwives (MID), proposing to update various regulations relating to the apprentice program, continuing education, infant care, examinations, and applications. Notice Published: April 21, 2016.

Answers to questions 1 through 4 are answers to common questions regarding proposed regulation changes. The period for written comments ends May 24, 2016. To be considered, comments must be submitted by 4:30 p.m. on May 24, 2016.

### Regulatory Questions

1 4/25/2016	What will these proposed regulation changes do?
<b>Answer:</b> (1) Set standards for apprentice midwives (2) Ensure licensees have multiple sources from which to receive continuing education (3) Allow the public to take their newborn to a healthcare provider of their choice (4) Update requirements for applying for examinations and licensure	
2 4/25/2016	What is the public need or purpose for these proposed regulation changes?
<b>Answer:</b> Standards have changed for examinations and applying for licensure. Other changes are being made to update regulations as a result of regulations already public noticed.	
3 4/1/2016	What will the known or estimated costs of the new regulation changes be to a private person?
<b>Answer:</b> At this time, the Board is unaware of any costs to private persons there are no known or anticipated costs to a private person as a result of these recommended changes.	
4 4/1/2016	What are the <b>positive</b> and <b>negative</b> consequences as a result of these proposed regulation changes to the public or private person, business, or organization?
<b>Answer:</b> There are <b>no negative</b> consequences the board is aware of as a result of the regulation changes being proposed. A <b>positive</b> result from these recommended changes is that applicants will not be restricted to timeframes when applying to take the national exam or when applying for licensure. One of the proposed changes is due to a statute change made by the Department of Health & Social Services, and the Board’s recommended change ensures midwives are meeting the statutory requirements for care.	