



CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIVES (CNM)

ROLE IN PUBLIC HEALTH

PUBLIC HEALTH SOLUTIONS

WHO ARE CNMS

LICENSED AS
ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED
NURSES (APRNs) IN KANSAS

BOARD CERTIFIED
BY AMERICAN MIDWIFERY
CERTIFICATION BOARD

MASTERS OR DOCTORATE
DEGREE IN NURSING

PRACTICE IN HOSPITALS (95%), BIRTH CENTERS, AND/OR HOME BIRTH PRACTICE. OTHER CNMS ARE EMPLOYEES BY UNIVERSITIES AND MILITARY FACILITIES²

CNM-I LICENSE ESTABLISHED IN 2016 UNDER KS BOARD OF HEALING ARTS (REMOVES REQUIREMENT OF HAVING A SIGNED COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE AGREEMENT)⁹

HEALTH PROMOTION

MATERNAL MORTALITY IS INCREASING IN THE UNITED STATES⁸

FAMILY PLANNING

PRIMARY HEALTH CARE

EVIDENCE BASED PRACTICE

PRECONCEPTION

REDUCE MATERNAL AND INFANT MORTALITY

CAN BILL INSURANCE, INCLUDING MEDICAID AND MEDICARE

IMPROVE ACCESS TO CARE IN RURAL AND UNDERSERVED AREAS⁷

REDUCE HEALTH CARE COSTS¹

RESPONSE² TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC

REDUCE HEALTH CARE INEQUITIES⁷

INCREASE BREASTFEEDING RATES

REDUCE MATERNAL AND INFANT MORTALITY⁷

WHAT DO THEY DO

PRECONCEPTION, PREGNANCY, INTRAPARTUM, POSTPARTUM

INSERT AND REMOVE CONTRACEPTIVE DEVICES

TREAT WOMEN FROM ADOLESCENCE TO BEYOND MENOPAUSE

NORMAL NEWBORN CARE

PRESCRIBE MEDICATIONS²

JOINT STATEMENT

AMERICAN COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNECOLOGISTS (ACOG) AND AMERICAN COLLEGE OF NURSE MIDWIVES (ACNM) BELIEVE HEALTH CARE IS MOST EFFECTIVE WHEN IT OCCURS WITHIN A SYSTEM THAT FACILITATES COMMUNICATION ACROSS CARE SETTINGS AND AMONG PROVIDERS.³

1 in 3 maternal deaths are preventable⁸

77% OF KANSAS COUNTIES ALREADY HAVE A MATERNITY CARE PROVIDER SHORTAGE⁵

ACOG HAS PROJECTED A SHORTAGE OF BETWEEN 15,723 - 21,723 OB/GYNS BY 2050.⁵

Maternal mortality is increasing in the United States⁸

WOMEN OF COLOR ARE 2-3 TIMES MORE LIKELY TO DIE DURING PREGNANCY OR BIRTH⁸

MOST WOMEN ARE ABLE TO HAVE NORMAL, PHYSIOLOGIC BIRTHS AND MIDWIVES ARE EXPERTS AT LOW RISK, NORMAL BIRTHS. IN 2013, CNMS/CMS ATTENDED 8.2% OF ALL US BIRTHS.⁶

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