

Guide to the American
Midwifery Certification Board's

National Examination

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Application Process

Exam application | online submission:

STEP 1: Please read the Candidate Handbook.

STEP 2: Please visit www.amcbmidwife.org and click the yellow Sign In button in the top, right-hand corner. Click on "New Applicant" to create an account.

STEP 3: Click on "CM/CNM Exam Applications" on your portal homepage. Then click "Create New Application" below the correct application type.

STEP 4: Complete all sections of the application.

STEP 5: Click the tab "Submit and Checkout" to pay the examination fee. The examination fee can be paid by personal check or credit card.

Your Program Director will notify AMCB directly to confirm successful completion of the midwifery program. Your exam application will be approved 7-10 days following receipt of notification from your Program Director. You will receive an email notifying you that your application has been approved.

Exam application | mail submission:

STEP 1: Please read the Candidate Handbook.

STEP 2: Obtain and complete the application. Go to www.amcbmidwife.org and click on "Application Process" under the Certification tab. If you have an active nursing license, please be sure to print the CNM Exam Application.

STEP 3: If you are a CNM exam applicant, please include proof of RN licensure showing the current expiration date.

STEP 4: Include the exam fee with the completed application. The examination fee can be paid by personal check or credit card.

STEP 5: Mail completed application to:

**American Midwifery Certification Board
(AMCB)**

8825 Stanford Blvd, Suite 150
Columbia, MD 21045

Remember:

Applicants have 24 months from date of program completion (as stated on your Program Director's letter) to pass the certification examination.

Applicants are allowed to sit for the exam a maximum of 4 times.

Scheduling The Examination

Once your application and all supporting documentation has been submitted and approved, AMCB will notify PSI of your eligibility to sit for the exam. PSI will email you scheduling instructions within 4 business days of the date your application was approved. If you have special accommodations a scheduling representative will contact you by phone to assist with scheduling your exam.

Certification

STEP 1: Candidates who pass the certification exam are assigned a certification number, certification date, and expiration date. Your certification information will be available on the AMCB website **10-14 days** following the examination date.

STEP 2: Your certificate and other pertinent documents will be mailed to the address listed on your AMCB account within **8 weeks of passing the examination**.

STEP 3: AMCB will send one complimentary verification letter to the entity selected on your exam application. Most candidates opt to have this document sent to their State Board of Nursing for licensure purposes.

Certificate Maintenance

Once you have passed the certification examination, you will be automatically enrolled in the AMCB Certificate Maintenance Program (CMP) for a 5-year cycle beginning January 1st of the year following certification. The AMCB defines continuing competence as demonstrating specified levels of knowledge, skills, or ability not only at the time of initial certification but throughout an individual's professional career.

The Certificate Maintenance Program (CMP) is designed to assist CNMs/CMs in demonstrating this. Individuals who have not completed the requirements of the CMP at the end of their current certification cycle will not be issued a new certificate.

Individuals without current CNM/CM certification may not be able to continue to practice midwifery depending on their state licensing/regulating bodies.

To learn more about the CMP requirements, please visit www.amcbmidwife.org and click on the Certificate Maintenance Program tab.