

CME Definition

CME consists of educational activities which serve to maintain, develop, or increase the knowledge, skills, and professional performance and relationships that a midwife uses to provide services for patients, the public or the profession. The content of CME is the body of knowledge and skills generally recognized and accepted by the profession as within the basic midwifery and medical sciences, the discipline of clinical midwifery, and the provision of health care to the public. *(Adapted from the AMA definition)*

N.B. CME does not include clinical teaching, with the exception of instructing emergency skills workshops, recertifications or equivalent.

Department of Midwifery at BC Women's Hospital and St. Paul's Hospital

For annual renewal of active medical staff privileges at BC Women's and St. Paul's hospitals, midwives will be required to document thirty five (35) completed CME credits each calendar year, i.e. January to December.

Eligible Categories:

1. Mandatory recertification, i.e. NRP, CPR, ALARM, ESW, ALSO, MORE_{OB}, etc.
2. Hospital education, i.e. Rounds, FHS, online modules, etc.
3. Conferences and workshops.

Eligible categories must not be self-promotional.

Credit Assignment:

- Sixty minutes of midwifery participation in a live activity, as listed to the left, equals one (1) CME Credit.
- Midwives may claim credit in 15 minute, or 0.25 credit, increments, and round to the nearest quarter hour.

Additionally:

Activity	CME Credits
Presenting at an eligible activity / event.	(3) CME credits
Enduring materials include printed, recorded, audio, video and/or online/electronic activities that may be used over time at various locations, and that in themselves constitute a structured CME activity.	(1) CME credit for each hour it takes to complete the activity
Publishing an article in a journal. <i>Documentation: a reprint or copy of the article's first page.</i>	(10) CME credits
Authoring or revising a department guideline.	(3) CME credits
Preparing a poster presentation for a conference. <i>Documentation: a copy of the page in the conference proceedings that lists the poster abstract and identifies the presenter.</i>	(3) CME credits
Obtaining a midwifery-related advance degree, such as a Master's degree. <i>Documentation: a copy of the diploma or final transcript.</i>	(50) CME credits awarded upon completion of the degree <i>The credits awarded from obtaining a midwifery related advanced degree may extend towards the midwife's total CME credits for two (2) years.</i>
Completing a single course that is related to advanced midwifery education, i.e. graduate studies. <i>Documentation: Certificate of course completion or transcript.</i>	(5) CME credits per course
Midwives who are invited as guest lecturers or sessional instructors. <i>(N.B. teaching hours can be claimed for CME credit, but not hour-for-hour prep time or hours associated with contractual, paid education work, i.e. a UBC instructor teaching a course. Time spent preceptoring or mentoring students is likewise not considered eligible for CME credit.)</i>	(1) CME credit per hour of teaching

