



Application for addition of notation as an eligible midwife

Profession: **Midwifery**

Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (the National Law)

This form is to be used by midwives to apply for a notation on their registration as an eligible midwife. Applicants applying for notation as an eligible midwife must:

- currently hold general registration as a midwife, and
- have no restrictions on practice.

Applicants are advised to read *Guide for submitting an application for notation*. It is important that you refer to the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (the NMBA's) registration standards, codes and guidelines before completing this application. These documents can be found at www.nursingmidwiferyboard.gov.au

This notation applies to a class of registered midwives and **not** to all registered midwives.

This application will not be considered unless it is complete and all supporting documentation has been provided. Supporting documentation **must** be certified in accordance with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) guidelines. For more information, see *Certifying documents* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form.

Privacy and confidentiality

The Board and AHPRA are committed to protecting your personal information in accordance with the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth). The ways the Board and AHPRA may collect, use and disclose your information are set out in the collection statement relevant to this application, available at www.ahpra.gov.au/privacy.

By signing this form, you confirm that you have read the collection statement. AHPRA's privacy policy explains how you may access and seek correction of

your personal information held by AHPRA and the Board, how to complain to AHPRA about a breach of your privacy and how your complaint will be dealt with. This policy can be accessed at www.ahpra.gov.au/privacy.

Symbols in this form

- Additional information**
Provides specific information about a question or section of the form.
- Attention**
Highlights important information about the form.
- Attach document(s) to this form**
Processing cannot occur until all required documents are received.
- Signature required**
Requests appropriate parties to sign the form where indicated.

Completing this form

- Read and **complete all questions**.
- Ensure that **all pages** and required **attachments** are returned to AHPRA.
- Use a **black** or **blue** pen only.
- Print clearly in **BLOCK LETTERS**
- Place X in **all** applicable boxes:
- **DO NOT send original documents unless specified.**

Do not use staples or glue, or affix sticky notes to your application. Please ensure all supporting documents are on A4 size paper.

SECTION A: Personal details

The information items in this section of the application that are marked with an asterisk (*) will appear on the public register.

1. What is your name and date of birth?

If you have ever been formally known by another name, or you are providing documents in another name, you **must** attach proof of your name change unless this has been previously provided to the NMBA.

For more information, see *Change of name* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form.

Title*
MR MRS MISS MS DR OTHER

Family name*

First given name*

Middle name(s)*

Previous names known by (e.g. maiden name)

Date of birth / /

2. What is your AHPRA registration number?

To be eligible for the addition of notation as an eligible midwife you must not have any restrictions on your practice.


Registration number*



3. What are your birth and personal details?

Country of birth															
<input type="text"/>															
City/Suburb/Town of birth															
<input type="text"/>															
State/Territory of birth (if within Australia)															
VIC	<input type="checkbox"/>	NSW	<input type="checkbox"/>	QLD	<input type="checkbox"/>	SA	<input type="checkbox"/>	WA	<input type="checkbox"/>	NT	<input type="checkbox"/>	TAS	<input type="checkbox"/>	ACT	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sex*															
MALE	<input type="checkbox"/>	FEMALE	<input type="checkbox"/>												
Languages spoken other than English (optional)*															
<input type="text"/>															

SECTION B: Requirements for the notation

 Further information regarding the NMBA's *Registration standard for eligible midwives*, and the NMBA's *Guidelines and assessment framework for the registration standard for eligible midwives and endorsement for scheduled medicines* can be found at www.nursingmidwiferyboard.gov.au/Codes-and-Guidelines and www.nursingmidwiferyboard.gov.au/Registration-Standards

4. Have you successfully completed an approved professional practice review program for midwives working across the continuum of midwifery care?

YES

NO



You **must** submit evidence of your successful completion of an approved professional practice program.

SECTION C: Work history specific to the area of practice for the notation

5. Do you have experience as a registered midwife equivalent to three years full time practice?



It is important that you refer to *Curriculum vitae* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form for **mandatory requirements** of the CV. Your curriculum vitae will further inform the NMBA in relation to your recency of practice and registration history. For more information about your Statement of Service, see *Statement of Service* in the *Information and definitions* section of this form.



You **must** attach to your application:

- a Statement of Service from all of your employers from the past six years, and
- a **signed and dated** curriculum vitae that describes your full practice history and any training undertaken.

SECTION E: Undertaking, obligations and consent



Before you sign and date this form, make sure that you have answered all of the relevant questions correctly and read the statements below. An incomplete form may delay processing and you may be asked to complete a new form. For more information to assist you in completing this form, see the *Information and definitions* section of this form.

Undertaking

Applicants must complete the following undertaking:

I make the following undertaking to the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia:

I will undertake and specifically complete, within 18 months of recognition as an eligible midwife,

- an accredited and approved program of study determined by the NMBA to develop midwives knowledge and skills in prescribing, or
- a program that is substantially equivalent to such an approved program of study as determined by the NMBA.

I understand that until I meet the above requirements I will not be able to seek endorsement for scheduled medicine and will therefore not be prescribing medicines.

I also understand that if I am not able to provide the NMBA with the necessary evidence of successful completion of the required program within 18 months, the notation as an eligible midwife may be revoked.

I understand that a failure to comply with the above undertaking may constitute behaviour for which conduct proceedings may be taken under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law as in force in each state and territory.

Signature of applicant

Date



SIGN HERE

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Obligations of registered health practitioners

The National Law pt 7 div 11 sub-div 3 establishes the legislative obligations of registered health practitioners. A contravention of these obligations, as detailed at points 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 or 8 below does not constitute an offence but may constitute behaviour for which health, conduct or performance action may be taken by the Board. Registered health practitioners are also obligated to meet the requirements of their Board as established in registration standards, codes and guidelines.

Continuing professional development

1. A registered health practitioner must undertake the continuing professional development required by an approved registration standard for the health profession in which the practitioner is registered.

Professional indemnity insurance arrangements

2. A registered health practitioner must not practise the health profession in which the practitioner is registered unless appropriate professional indemnity insurance arrangements are in force in relation to the practitioner's practice of the profession.
3. A National Board may, at any time by written notice, require a registered health practitioner registered by the Board to give the Board evidence of the appropriate professional indemnity insurance arrangements that are in force in relation to the practitioner's practice of the profession.
4. A registered health practitioner must not, without reasonable excuse, fail to comply with a written notice given to the practitioner under point 3 above.

Notice of certain events

5. A registered health practitioner must, within 7 days after becoming aware that a relevant event has occurred in relation to the practitioner, give the National Board that registered the practitioner written notice of the event. *Relevant event* means—
 - a) the practitioner is charged, whether in a participating jurisdiction or elsewhere, with an offence punishable by 12 months imprisonment or more; or
 - b) the practitioner is convicted of or the subject of a finding of guilt for an offence, whether in a participating jurisdiction or elsewhere, punishable by imprisonment; or
 - c) appropriate professional indemnity insurance arrangements are no longer in place in relation to the practitioner's practice of the profession; or
 - d) the practitioner's right to practise at a hospital or another facility at which health services are provided is withdrawn or restricted because of the practitioner's conduct, professional performance or health; or
 - e) the practitioner's billing privileges are withdrawn or restricted under the *Human Services (Medicare) Act 1973* (Cth) because of the practitioner's conduct, professional performance or health; or
 - f) the practitioner's authority under a law of a State or Territory to administer, obtain, possess, prescribe, sell, supply or use a scheduled medicine or class of scheduled medicines is cancelled or restricted; or
 - g) a complaint is made about the practitioner to the following entities—
 - (i) the chief executive officer under the *Human Services (Medicare) Act 1973* (Cth);
 - (ii) an entity performing functions under the *Health Insurance Act 1973* (Cth);
 - (iii) the Secretary within the meaning of the *National Health Act 1953* (Cth);
 - (iv) the Secretary to the Department in which the *Migration Act 1958* (Cth) is administered;
 - (v) another Commonwealth, State or Territory entity having functions relating to professional services provided by health practitioners or the regulation of health practitioners.
 - h) the practitioner's registration under the law of another country that provides for the registration of health practitioners is suspended or cancelled or made subject to a condition or another restriction.

Change in principal place of practice, address or name

6. A registered health practitioner must, within 30 days of any of the following changes happening, give the National Board that registered the practitioner written notice of the change and any evidence providing proof of the change required by the Board—
 - a) a change in the practitioner's principal place of practice;
 - b) a change in the address provided by the registered health practitioner as the address the Board should use in corresponding with the practitioner;
 - c) a change in the practitioner's name.

Employer's details

7. A National Board may, at any time by written notice given to a health practitioner registered by the Board, ask the practitioner to give the Board the following information—
 - a) information about whether the practitioner is employed by another entity;
 - b) if the practitioner is employed by another entity—
 - (i) the name of the practitioner's employer; and
 - (ii) the address and other contact details of the practitioner's employer.
8. The registered health practitioner must not, without reasonable excuse, fail to comply with the notice.

Consent

I consent to the NMBA and AHPRA making enquiries of, and exchanging information with, the authorities of any Australian state or territory, or other country, regarding my practice as a health practitioner or otherwise regarding matters relevant to this application.

I authorise the NMBA to obtain my criminal history in Australia and overseas.

I understand that:

- a complete criminal history, including resolved and unresolved charges, spent convictions, and findings of guilt for which no conviction was recorded, will be released to the NMBA, and
- information will be extracted from this form and used for the purpose of criminal history checking. This information may be used by Australian police services for law enforcement purposes including the investigation of any outstanding criminal offences.

I acknowledge that:

- the NMBA may validate documents provided in support of this application as evidence of my identity, and
- failure to complete all relevant sections of this application and to enclose all supporting documentation may result in this application not being accepted.

I undertake to comply with all relevant legislation and NMBA registration standards, codes and guidelines.

I understand that personal information that I provide may be given to a third party for regulatory purposes, as authorised or required by the National Law.

I confirm that I have read the privacy and confidentiality statement for this form.

I declare that:

- the above statements, and the documents provided in support of this application, are true and correct, and
- I am the person named in the attached documents.

I make this declaration in the knowledge that a false statement is grounds for the NMBA to refuse registration.

Signature of applicant



SIGN HERE

Name of applicant

Date

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SECTION F: Checklist

Have the following items been attached or arranged, if required?

<i>Additional documentation</i>		Attached
Question 1	Evidence of a change of name	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 4	Evidence of your successful completion of an approved professional practice program	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 5	A Statement of Service from your employer(s) covering the past five years	<input type="checkbox"/>
Question 5	A signed and dated curriculum vitae that describes your full practice history and any training undertaken	<input type="checkbox"/>

Information and definitions

CERTIFYING DOCUMENTS

DO NOT send original documents unless specified.

Copies of documents provided in support of an application, or other purpose required by the National Law, must be certified as true copies of the original documents. Each and every certified document **must**:

- be in English. If original documents are not in English, you must provide a certified copy of the original document and translation in accordance with AHPRA guidelines, which are available at www.ahpra.gov.au/registration/registration-process
- be initialled on every page by the authorised officer. For a list of people authorised to certify documents, visit www.ahpra.gov.au/certify
- be annotated on the last page as appropriate e.g. 'I have sighted the original document and certify this to be a true copy of the original' and signed by the authorised officer, and
- list the name, date of certification, and contact phone number, and position number (if relevant) and have the stamp or seal of the authorised officer (if relevant) applied.

Certified copies will only be accepted in hard copy by mail or in person (not by fax, email, etc). Photocopies of previously certified documents will not be accepted. For more information, AHPRA's guidelines for certifying documents can be found online at www.ahpra.gov.au/certify

CHANGE OF NAME

You must provide evidence of a change of name if you have ever been formally known by another name(s) or if any of the documentation that you are providing in support of your application is in another name(s).

Evidence must be a certified copy of one of the following documents:

- Standard Marriage Certificate (ceremonial certificates will not be accepted)
- Deed Poll
- Change of Name Certificate

Faxed, scanned or emailed copies of certified documents will not be accepted.

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD)

You are required to participate in a minimum of 20 hours of CPD annually, per profession, relevant to your context of practice. Additional requirements apply if you have an endorsement for scheduled medicines, nurse practitioner or eligible midwife. You must keep evidence of your participation.

For more information, view the registration standard online at www.nursingmidwiferyboard.gov.au/Registration-Standards and the guidelines at www.nursingmidwiferyboard.gov.au/Codes-Guidelines-Statements/Codes-Guidelines

CURRICULUM VITAE

Your curriculum vitae **must**:

- detail any gaps in your practice history of more than three months from the date you obtained your qualification
- be in chronological order
- be signed and dated with a statement 'This curriculum vitae is true and correct as at (insert date)', and
- be the original, signed curriculum vitae (no faxes or scanned copies will be accepted).

It must also contain all the elements defined in AHPRA's standard format for curriculum vitae which can be found at www.ahpra.gov.au/cv

PRACTICE

Practice means any role, whether remunerated or not, in which you use your skills and knowledge as a health practitioner in your profession. Practice in this context is not restricted to the provision of direct clinical care. It also includes using professional knowledge (working) in a direct non-clinical relationship with clients, working in management, administration, education, research, advisory, regulatory or policy development roles and any other roles that impact on safe, effective delivery of services in the profession.

STATEMENT OF SERVICE

The Statement of Service is required to:

- be on the employer's letterhead
- provide dates of employment
- describe the role in which you were employed, and whether it was full-time/part-time, and
- be signed by a manager (e.g. director of nursing, unit manager or HR manager).

Please post this form with required attachments to:

AHPRA
GPO Box 9958
IN YOUR CAPITAL CITY (*refer below*)

You may contact AHPRA on
 1300 419 495 or you can lodge an enquiry
 at www.ahpra.gov.au

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