

## Media release

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In place from today:

- revised professional indemnity insurance arrangements registration standard for nurses and midwives
- guidelines for professional indemnity insurance arrangements for midwives

A revised Professional indemnity insurance arrangements registration standard for nurses and midwives will be in place from today. The revised registration standard is supported by updated Guidelines for professional indemnity insurance arrangements for midwives.

The Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) reviewed the registration standard in response to stakeholder queries about the clarity of the requirements across a range of practice settings.

The revised registration standard was developed through wide ranging consultation with the professions and the community.

The revised registration standard:

- ensures nurses and midwives are able to practice in accordance with legislative and professional practice requirements
- will be included in the NMBA Safety and Quality Framework for the regulation of midwives, including privately practicing midwives providing planned homebirths, and
- is supported by updated and comprehensive guidelines for midwives.

The registration standard can be accessed at <a href="www.nursingmidwiferyboard.gov.au/Registration-">www.nursingmidwiferyboard.gov.au/Registration-</a> Standards.aspx.

The Guidelines for professional indemnity insurance arrangements for midwives can be accessed at www.nursingmidwiferyboard.gov.au/Codes-Guidelines-Statements/Codes-Guidelines.aspx.

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