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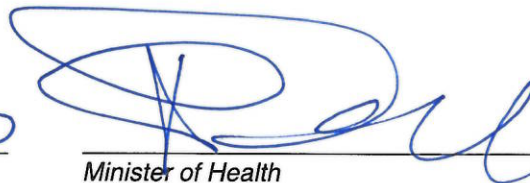
Health Professions Act

Ministerial Order No. M201

I, Adrian Dix, Minister of Health, order that, effective September 1, 2020,

- (a) the Midwives Regulation, B.C. Reg. 281/2008, is amended as set out in the attached Schedule 1,
- (b) the Nurses (Licensed Practical) Regulation, B.C. Reg. 224/2015, is amended as set out in the attached Schedule 2,
- (c) the Nurses (Registered) and Nurse Practitioners Regulation, B.C. Reg. 284/2008, is amended as set out in the attached Schedule 3, and
- (d) the Nurses (Registered Psychiatric) Regulation, B.C. Reg. 227/2015, is amended as set out in the attached Schedule 4.

June 25, 2020
Date


Minister of Health

(This part is for administrative purposes only and is not part of the Order.)

Authority under which Order is made:

Act and section: *Health Professions Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 183, s. 12 (2)

Other: M241/2008; M402/2015; M244/2008; M406/2015

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SCHEDULE 1

1 Section 1 of the Midwives Regulation, B.C. Reg. 281/2008, is amended

(a) by repealing the definitions of “aboriginal” and “aboriginal midwifery” and substituting the following:

“Indigenous” means relating to the aboriginal peoples of Canada within the meaning of section 35 of the *Constitution Act, 1982*;

“Indigenous midwifery” means

- (a) traditional Indigenous midwifery practices including the use and administration of traditional herbs and medicines and other cultural and spiritual practices,
- (b) contemporary Indigenous midwifery practices which are based on, or originate in, traditional Indigenous midwifery practices, or
- (c) a combination of traditional and contemporary Indigenous midwifery practices; ,

(b) in the definition of “midwifery” by striking out “post-partum” and substituting “postpartum”,

(c) in paragraph (a) of the definition of “midwifery” by striking out “women, newborns and infants, including the carrying out of” and substituting “patients, newborns and infants, including carrying out”,

(d) in paragraph (b) of the definition of “midwifery” by striking out “women, including provision of” and substituting “persons, including providing”,

(e) in paragraphs (c) and (d) of the definition of “midwifery” by striking out “women” in both places and substituting “patients”,

(f) in the definition of “midwifery diagnosis” by striking out “a woman’s mental or physical condition, or that of her newborn” and substituting “a patient’s mental or physical condition, or that of the patient’s newborn”, and

(g) by adding the following definitions:

“patient” means a person who

- (a) is pregnant,
- (b) is in labour or is delivering a child, or
- (c) is in the postpartum period;

“registrant” means a registrant who is authorized under the bylaws to practise midwifery; .

2 Section 2 is repealed and the following substituted:

College name

- 2 The name of the college responsible for carrying out the objects of the Act in respect of midwifery is “British Columbia College of Nurses and Midwives”.

3 Section 4 (2) is repealed and the following substituted:

(2) A registrant who is Indigenous may practise Indigenous midwifery.

4 The following section is added:

Provisional registrant classes

4.1 The college is authorized to establish, under section 19 (1) (i) of the Act, a class of provisional registrants for the purposes of section 20 (4.3) of the Act.

5 Section 5 is amended

(a) *in subsection (1) (c) and (e) by striking out “post-partum” and substituting “post-partum”,*

(b) *in subsection (1) (g) (iii) by striking out “a woman during labour or the post-partum period” and substituting “a patient during labour or the postpartum period”,*

(c) *in subsection (1) (g) (iv) (A) by striking out “women” and substituting “patients”, and*

(d) *in subsection (2) by striking out “aboriginal” and substituting “Indigenous” in both places.*

6 Section 6 is amended

(a) *in subsection (1) by striking out “post-partum” and substituting “postpartum”, and*

(b) *in subsection (6) by striking out “a woman or her newborn, as the case may be, during pregnancy, labour, delivery or the post-partum period” and substituting “a patient or the patient’s newborn, as the case may be, during pregnancy, labour, delivery or the postpartum period”.*

7 The table in Schedule A is amended

(a) *in Column 2 opposite “Anti-virals” in Column 1 by striking out “post-partum” and substituting “postpartum”, and*

(b) *in Column 2 opposite “Immune globulins” in Column 1 by striking out “woman” and substituting “patient”.*

SCHEDULE 2

1 Section 2 of the Nurses (Licensed Practical) Regulation, B.C. Reg. 224/2015, is amended by striking out “Nursing Professionals” and substituting “Nurses and Midwives”.

2 The following section is added:

Restricted activities limited to registrants

- 8 Only a registrant may provide a service that includes the performance of an activity set out in section 6 (1) or 7 (1).

SCHEDULE 3

- 1 *Section 2 of the Nurses (Registered) and Nurse Practitioners Regulation, B.C. Reg. 284/2008, is amended by striking out “Nursing Professionals” and substituting “Nurses and Midwives”.*
- 2 *The following section is added:*

Restricted activities limited to registrants

- 9.1 Only a registrant may provide a service that includes the performance of an activity set out in section 6 (1), 7 (1), 8 (1) or 9 (1).

SCHEDULE 4

- 1 *Section 2 of the Nurses (Registered Psychiatric) Regulation, B.C. Reg. 227/2015, is amended by striking out “Nursing Professionals” and substituting “Nurses and Midwives”.*
- 2 *The following section is added:*

Restricted activities limited to registrants

- 8 Only a registrant may provide a service that includes the performance of an activity set out in section 6 or 7 (1).