

Course Syllabus

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Course Code: MW 250

Course Title: Midwifery Protocols

Credits: 1.0

Course Description: In this course, students explore the difference between protocols and practice guidelines including the legal implications for midwives and patients. Students explore the elements that are necessary to design practice protocols or guidelines for all aspects of midwifery care: antepartum care, intrapartum care, newborn care, postpartum, and well woman care. As the North American Registry of Midwives and many states require either practice protocols or guidelines, this course is essential for student midwives learning how to draft their own upon graduation to be used in their own private practice.

Learning Objectives

Introduction to the [Midwives Model of Care](http://cfmidwifery.org/mmoc/define.aspx). [\(http://cfmidwifery.org/mmoc/define.aspx\)](http://cfmidwifery.org/mmoc/define.aspx)

Learning objectives are identified through the linking of MEAC Essential Competencies and the NCM Degree Qualification Profile.

Learning Activities

Read, listen to, watch assigned lesson materials.

Submit a written summary of current research.

Complete oral and/or written formative didactic assessments with final summative submission.

Identify and cite high-quality sources.

Use articulated reasoning while participating in an oral presentation, facilitated discussions and skills demonstrations.

Community engagement demonstration

Conduct an interview and/or develop a survey

Create an infographic, handout, and/or community resource.

Optional: Develop a study aid.

Complete a final exam.

Note: The clinical requirement of NARM /Clinical Skills is completed at any time throughout the ASM apprenticeship during actual clinical practice and is NOT a requirement to complete this academic course. Typical clinical manifestations of knowledge learned in this course are identified in the learning objective document above.

Learning Materials / Resources:

Please use textbooks less than 5 years old or the most recent edition.

1. [Instructions for Completing the Emergency Transfer/Transport Form and Instructions for completing the Practice Guidelines](#)



2. North American Registry of Midwives Website. CPM Practice Guidelines. 2017. <http://narm.org/faq/cpm-practice-guidelines/> [\(http://narm.org/faq/cpm-practice-guidelines/\)](http://narm.org/faq/cpm-practice-guidelines/)

3. Midwives Alliance of North America (MANA) website. 2017. Direct-entry state laws and regulations. <http://mana.org/> [\(http://mana.org/\)](http://mana.org/) and Essential documents.

4. National Association of Certified Professional Midwives Website. Essential Documents: Standards for Practice. 2004.
<http://nacpm.org/Resources/nacpm-standards.pdf> [\(http://nacpm.org/Resources/nacpm-standards.pdf\)](http://nacpm.org/Resources/nacpm-standards.pdf)
5. American College of Nurse-Midwives Website. Code of ethics and explanatory statements.
<http://www.midwife.org/index.asp?bid=59&cat=2&button=Search> [\(http://www.midwife.org/index.asp?bid=59&cat=2&button=Search\)](http://www.midwife.org/index.asp?bid=59&cat=2&button=Search)
6. New Zealand College of Midwives Website. 2017. Quality Practice: Standards of Practice. <http://www.midwife.org.nz/index.cfm/1,108,html> [\(http://www.midwife.org.nz/index.cfm/1,108,html\)](http://www.midwife.org.nz/index.cfm/1,108,html)
7. New Mexico Midwives Association and the Public Health Division of the Department of Health. Practice Guidelines for New Mexico Midwives-2008 edition. NM Department of Health. 2008.
<http://www.health.state.nm.us/pdf/NMMA%20Practice%20Guidelines%202008.pdf>
[\(http://www.health.state.nm.us/pdf/NMMA%20Practice%20Guidelines%202008.pdf\)](http://www.health.state.nm.us/pdf/NMMA%20Practice%20Guidelines%202008.pdf)
8. Tennessee Midwives Association Website. 2001. Practice Guidelines.
<https://www.tn.gov/assets/entities/health/attachments/g5062255.pdf>
[\(https://www.tn.gov/assets/entities/health/attachments/g5062255.pdf\)](https://www.tn.gov/assets/entities/health/attachments/g5062255.pdf)
9. Florida Emergency Transfer Form

http://www.midwiferycollege.org/AcademicProgram/Downloads/ASM/Academics/Syllabi/protocols/frm_EmergencyCarePlan.pdf
10. MEAC Abbreviated NARM Skills
Form: <http://www.midwiferycollege.org/AcademicProgram/Downloads/ASM/Clinical/FormNARMSkills.pdf>
[\(http://www.midwiferycollege.org/AcademicProgram/Downloads/ASM/Clinical/FormNARMSkills.pdf\)](http://www.midwiferycollege.org/AcademicProgram/Downloads/ASM/Clinical/FormNARMSkills.pdf)
11. MEAC Essential Competencies: <http://www.midwiferycollege.org/downloads/worddocs/Curriculum-Checklist-of-EssentialCompetencies-rev-2014.pdf> [\(http://www.midwiferycollege.org/downloads/worddocs/Curriculum-Checklist-of-EssentialCompetencies-rev-2014.pdf\)](http://www.midwiferycollege.org/downloads/worddocs/Curriculum-Checklist-of-EssentialCompetencies-rev-2014.pdf)
12. Midwives Model of Care®: <http://cfmidwifery.org/mmoc/brochures.aspx> [\(http://cfmidwifery.org/mmoc/brochures.aspx\)](http://cfmidwifery.org/mmoc/brochures.aspx)
13. [\(http://cfmidwifery.org/mmoc/brochures.aspx\)](http://cfmidwifery.org/mmoc/brochures.aspx) Students must find 1 article/study less than 5 years old. Recommended internet links as needed for latest developments in midwifery care: <https://www.midwiferycollege.edu/resources-national-college-of-midwi> [\(https://www.midwiferycollege.edu/resources-national-college-of-midwi\)](https://www.midwiferycollege.edu/resources-national-college-of-midwi)

Evaluation Tools / Methods:

The minimum passing grade for all courses is a cumulative 80% / B-. Grades are not recorded until both the student and preceptor submit end of trimester evaluations and in the case of general education courses supervision is completed

All assignments for this course are evaluated using the following criteria:

1. Responses to each didactic assessment are evaluated utilizing the NCM rubrics and degree level profile.
2. Answers should reflect a thorough review of the current literature regarding best current practices in midwifery care.
3. Non-plagiarized paraphrased answers from the text which demonstrate appropriate comprehension of the learning objective. (Formative Assessment) Students and preceptors are encouraged to work together until the student masters the information. (Summative Assessment)
4. Random evaluation of cited sources and page numbers for each written assignment.

Course credit: One Academic credit equals approximately 15 hours of formal time plus 30 hours of additional study or homework. Formal time is defined as the amount of time taken to answer the Learning Objectives to the level of 80% for midwifery courses and 70% for general education courses and to complete any learning activities to the preceptor's satisfaction, including any time spent face to face with the preceptor. Informal time includes any time spent actively reading relevant sources and textbook/s, researching Learning Objectives, and studying for examinations.

Course Summary:

Date	Details	
Tue Jul 25, 2017	 Office Hours (https://ncm.instructure.com/calendar?event_id=125&include_contexts=course_147)	8am to 9am
	 A Note on Community Building Activities (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7196)	
	 Emergency Transfer/Transport Form (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7140)	
	 Example Practice Guidelines (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7206)	
	 Exams and Quizzes (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7197)	
	 Journal Article Summary (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7198)	
	 Local Jurisdiction Regulations (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7141)	
	 MW250-001 - Discuss why NARM does not set protocols for all CPMs to follow. (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7142)	
	 MW250-002 - Define a protocol. (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7143)	
	 MW250-003 - Describe the difference between protocols and guidelines. What is the legal impact of each? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7144)	
	 MW250-004 - Discuss the difference between a protocol for the use of a medication and a protocol for a given medical condition. (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7145)	
	 MW250-005 - Describe the many resources that are available to guide a new midwife in creating practice guidelines. (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7146)	
	 MW250-006 - Discuss how a document such as the Midwifery Model of Care is integrated into practice guidelines. (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7147)	
	 MW250-007 - How do state practice guidelines affect the way that an individual midwife practices? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7148)	
	 MW250-008 - Describe the Scope-of-Practice for the National Association of Certified Professional Midwives. (NACPM-standard document) (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7149)	
	 MW250-009 - How do the Standard of Practice for NACPM members relate to the NACPM Philosophy? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7150)	
	 MW250-010 - Summarize the topics covered under the Standards of Practice for NACPM members. (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7151)	
	 MW250-011 - How do the Practice Guidelines work in relationship to a midwife's clinical judgment? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7152)	
	 MW250-012 - How specific are the Practice Guidelines regarding Informed Consent? Why is this? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7153)	
	 MW250-013 - How does the TN Practice Guideline on Record Keeping relate to other record keeping Recommendations? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7154)	
	 MW250-014 - How do the guidelines direct the assessment of a "safe environment"? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7155)	
	 MW250-015 - Briefly describe the aspects of a prenatal visit that are indicated in the Practice Guidelines. (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7156)	
	 MW250-016 - How do these practice guidelines recommend fetal monitoring be carried out during Labor? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7157)	
	 MW250-017 - What is the recommendation on the frequency of vaginal exams during labor? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7158)	

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	<p> MW250-018 - How are immediate and on-going postpartum care guidelines different? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7159)</p>
	<p> MW250-019 - How long is the duration of newborn care by the midwife according to these guidelines? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7160)</p>
	<p> MW250-020 - Briefly describe how the TN practice guidelines address the referral relationship between the midwife and a physician. (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7161)</p>
	<p> MW250-021 - What medications are midwives in TN authorized to use? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7162)</p>
	<p> MW250-022 - What types of procedures are prohibited for midwives to perform under the TN practice Guidelines? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7163)</p>
	<p> MW250-023 - What is the purpose of identifying prohibited procedures? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7164)</p>
	<p> MW250-024 - How are the TN Practice guidelines related to the Midwives Model of Care? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7165)</p>
	<p> MW250-025 - Discuss the purpose of an Emergency Transfer Plan. (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7166)</p>
	<p> MW250-026 - What elements should be included in an Emergency Transfer Plan? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7167)</p>
	<p> MW250-027 - How do the New Mexico Practice Guidelines define the midwife's scope of practice? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7168)</p>
	<p> MW250-028 - Discuss how the NM Practice guidelines talk about rights and responsibilities of the client and midwife. (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7169)</p>
	<p> MW250-029 - How is the NM Practice guidelines related to MANA's Essential documents? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7170)</p>
	<p> MW250-030 - How do the NM Practice Guidelines address client education? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7171)</p>
	<p> MW250-031 - How do the NM Practice guidelines address disagreements between clients and Midwives? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7172)</p>
	<p> MW250-032 - How do the NM Practice guidelines address the treatment of Sexually Transmitted Infections? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7173)</p>
	<p> MW250-033 - How do the NM Practice guidelines address a transfer of care? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7174)</p>
	<p> MW250-034 - Discuss how the NM Practice guidelines address cancer screening in well-woman care. (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7175)</p>
	<p> MW250-035 - What other practice guidelines were referenced for the NM cancer screening protocol? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7176)</p>
	<p> MW250-036 - How do the New Mexico practice guidelines address vaginal birth after cesarean section (VBAC)? (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7177)</p>
	<p> MW250-037 - Discuss some of the antepartum complications that are included under the NM Practice Guidelines. (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7178)</p>
	<p> MW250-038 - Discuss the NM guideline for the use of ultrasound. (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7179)</p>
	<p> MW250-039 - Discuss the NM guidelines in regard to emergency transport. (https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7180)</p>
	<p> MW250-040 - Discuss the NM guidelines in regard to a surprise breech presentation.</p>

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	<p>https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7181</p>
	<p> MW250-041 - Discuss the NM guidelines in regard to surprise multiple birth. https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7182</p>
	<p> MW250-042 - Discuss the NM guidelines on postpartum depression. https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7183</p>
	<p> MW250-043 - Discuss the bibliography section of the NM practice guidelines. What types of sources were used to develop these guidelines? https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7184</p>
	<p> MW250-044 - Overall, how do the NM and TN practice guidelines compare with one another? https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7185</p>
	<p> MW250-045 - Give an example of three strengths of the TN Practice guidelines. https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7186</p>
	<p> MW250-046 - Give an example of three weaknesses of the TN Practice guidelines. https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7187</p>
	<p> MW250-047 - Give an example of three strengths of the NM Practice guidelines. https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7188</p>
	<p> MW250-048 - Give an example of three weaknesses of the NM Practice guidelines. https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7189</p>
	<p> MW250-049 - Why do you think that practice guidelines vary so much state-to-state? https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7190</p>
	<p> MW250-050 - Review the Practice Guidelines that are used in your intended jurisdiction of practice. https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7191</p>
	<p> MW250-051 - How does your set of practice guidelines compare to the ones we have reviewed? https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7192</p>
	<p> Optional NARM Like Exam https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7718</p>
	<p> Optional: Create a Set of Flashcards to Study for the NARM Exam https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/15131</p>
	<p> Practice Guidelines https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7193</p>
	<p> Practice Writing a Protocol https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7209</p>
	<p> Student Evaluation of Course and Instructor https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7195</p>
	<p> Updated Knowledge and Technology https://ncm.instructure.com/courses/147/assignments/7205</p>