

NSNMR REGISTRATION & LICENSURE POLICY

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE SHORTFALLS

The Nova Scotia Nursing and Midwifery Regulator (NSNMR) is mandated to protect the public by ensuring that all registrants engaged in clinical midwifery practice are safe, ethical and competent practitioners. An applicant seeking licensure for the clinical practice of midwifery must meet the requirements established by NSNMR and have adequate clinical experience in all aspects of midwifery care.

A limited shortfall in the required numbers of clinical practice hours or births may be remedied through an appropriate plan for supervised practice approved by the Registrar. Experience in a specific aspect of midwifery care such as out of hospital birth may also be acquired in a period of supervised practice (please see NSNMR professional practice policy on Conditional Licensure and Supervised Practice).

Applicants with clinical experience shortfalls, who otherwise meet all criteria for entry in the roster, may be issued a conditional licence when an appropriate plan for supervision is in place. All conditions and requirements of a conditional licence must be met within one year or less.

Significant gaps in clinical experience that have been identified in the registration application process will result in ineligibility for clinical licensure.