

Canadian Midwifery Registration Examination

INFORMATION FOR CMRE CANDIDATES IN 2016

Eligibility

The CMRE is open to internationally-educated midwives and Canadian educated midwifery candidates as defined below.

Internationally-educated midwives are eligible to write the CMRE if they have successfully completed or are currently enrolled in good standing in the final stage*¹ of a Canadian bridging or gap training program approved or recognized by one of the provincial/territorial midwifery regulatory colleges. Currently approved assessment/bridging programs include (please note: approval of specific programs as a route to registration may vary from jurisdiction to jurisdiction):

- ❖ International Midwifery Pre-Registration Program (IMPP)
- ❖ Multijurisdictional Midwifery Bridging Program (MMBP)
- ❖ Prior Learning and Experience Assessment of Alberta (PLEA)
- ❖ Programme d'appoint pour les sages-femmes formées à l'étranger de l'UQTR

Canadian educated midwifery candidates are eligible to write the CMRE if they have successfully completed or are currently enrolled in good standing in the final term of a Canadian Midwifery Education Program approved or recognized by one of the provincial/territorial midwifery regulatory colleges. Currently approved midwifery education programs include those offered at the following universities (please note: approval of specific programs as a route to registration may vary from jurisdiction to jurisdiction):

- ❖ Laurentian University
- ❖ McMaster University
- ❖ Mount Royal University
- ❖ Ryerson University
- ❖ University of British Columbia
- ❖ University College of the North
- ❖ Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières

Proof of eligibility must be provided by either the candidates, the Midwifery Education Programs, the bridging or gap training programs or the provincial/territorial midwifery regulators where applicable.

¹ *Final stage in the International Midwifery Preregistration Program (IMMP) and the Manitoba Assessment and Gap Training Program refers to once the 'Definitive Assessment' has been completed and the candidate has been deemed eligible to continue.*

Final stage in the UQTR Programme D'appointe refers to once the candidate has entered into the clinical practicum (la stage).

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Examination Registration

1. Complete the *CMRE Registration Form* and *Candidate Identification Form* for the province to which you are applying.
2. Submit the registration form and candidate identification form along with a recent passport size photo and fee to the midwifery regulatory authority in the province to which you are applying. Forms AND payment must be received by the exam registration deadline. (Check with your local regulatory authority for acceptable payment methods.)
3. Additional information, including the CMRE sitting location, will be sent to you after your registration has been processed.

Examination Sites

The following cities have offered CMRE sittings in the past:

Vancouver	Edmonton	Calgary	Kugluktuk	Montreal
Saskatoon	Winnipeg	Halifax	Toronto	Sudbury

Not all cities host all sittings. Candidates must indicate at which site they are planning to take the examination on the registration form. Once registered, this cannot be changed. **Candidates are required to confirm with the local registrar that a sitting is being held in their selected city prior to registration.**

Examination Schedule

<i>Exam Date</i>	<i>Registration Deadline¹</i>	<i>Withdrawal Deadline²</i>
May 5, 2016	March 11, 2016	April 8, 2016

1 Registration forms and fees must be received by the registration deadline.

2 Withdrawal policy – 75% of fee will be reimbursed to any candidates who withdraw by the withdrawal deadline. No reimbursements are available after that date. Exceptional circumstances, such as significant injury or hospitalization/illness may be considered on a case by case basis. Please contact your regulatory body. If proof of program completion cannot be provided due to education program issues, the deadline to submit proof of eligibility to the registrar of the regulatory body will be extended to one (1) week before the exam date. If proof of eligibility cannot be provided 1 week before the exam date, due to education program issues only, the CMRE exam fee may be transferred to the next exam sitting.

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Please note: The exam will take place from 9am to 12:30pm and 1:30pm to 5pm. Candidates must arrive at the examination site by 8:30am and 1:15pm or admittance may be denied. Lunch must be taken off-site. Please dress in layers as we may not be able to regulate room temperatures.

Examination Format

The examination consists of case based and independent multiple-choice questions totalling approximately 210-230 questions.

Exam questions come from the CMRE exam databank according to the *CMRE Blueprint* and its content is based on the *Canadian Competencies for Registered Midwives*. Both documents are available at www.cmrc-ccosf.ca. The percentage of questions on the exam from each competency is noted below.

General Competencies	5-10%
Education and Counselling	5-10%
Antepartum	25-30%
Intrapartum	25-30%
Postpartum – Maternal	10-15%
Postpartum – Newborn	10-15%
Well-Woman Care	1-5%
Professional & Legal	1-3%
Professional Development	1-3%

In order to represent the range of care a Canadian midwife is expected to provide, slightly more than half of the questions will be set in an out-of-hospital setting with the remainder in a hospital setting. Slightly more than half of the questions will represent normal midwifery situations and the remainder, abnormal situations.

A list of approved reference texts, study tips and practice examination information are available at www.cmrc-ccosf.ca.

Language

The examination is available in either English or French. If you wish to write the CMRE in French, please indicate this preference on the registration form. At this time, the default is English unless French is specifically requested.

Special Needs

Requests for special exam accommodation must be accompanied by detailed written supporting documentation directly from a third party such as your physician, psychologist, or religious

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leader, as appropriate. Contact information for the person providing the opinion must be provided.

Requests for special exam accommodation must be received by the exam registration deadline. Requests will be considered on an individual basis. While the CMRE will do its best to provide appropriate accommodation, we cannot guarantee its availability.

Examination Admittance

For admittance to the exam, candidates must provide the exam proctor with photo identification and the letter of eligibility to take the examination provided to you by your provincial regulatory authority.

Do not bring personal belongings, exam aids, or food/drink to the examination unless you have received written permission based on an application under “special needs”, in which case you must present your letter of permission to the exam proctor. Anything you do bring will be held by the exam proctor for the duration of the examination periods. Water will be provided.

Do not wear scents to the exam site due to allergy concerns of some candidates.

Examination Pass Score

The passing score for the CMRE is developed through a standard setting process that ensures that the pass mark accurately reflects the acceptable level of Midwifery proficiency in Canada. Examination forms are validated and subject to a statistical check of reliability. The CMRE uses an item writing and standard setting procedure that promotes comparability and fairness across candidates, test forms and yearly administrations. As a result of this complex process, the specific passing score may change slightly from one sitting to the next.

Examination Results

Examinations are scored using automated scoring and checked through hand scoring.

Examination score reports (Pass or Fail) will be mailed by your provincial regulatory authority within 4-6 weeks of the exam date. Results will not be provided verbally or via e-mail.

Examination Rewrite

Candidates are eligible to take the exam a maximum of three times after which they will be required to reapply to their provincial regulator for eligibility to rewrite the exam. Normally, candidates will only be granted an opportunity to rewrite the exam if they indicate successful completion of additional study. The requirements for reapplication may vary from province to province.

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REGISTRATION FORM

Personal Information

Please provide current contact information below. If this information changes before the exam date, contact your provincial registrar immediately with updated information.

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Middle Initial _____

Address _____ City _____

Province/State _____ Postal/Zip Code _____ Country _____

Date of Birth _____

Home Phone _____ Work/ Cell Phone _____

Fax _____ E-mail _____

The CMRE is offered in French or English. Please select your language preference.

French

English

Requests for special exam accommodation must be received by the exam registration deadline. Requests will be considered on an individual basis. While the CMRE will do its best to provide appropriate accommodation, we cannot guarantee its availability (For more information please see page 3).

Are you requesting special assistance or accommodation on the day of the exam?

Yes

No

If yes, please explain.

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CANDIDATE IDENTIFICATION FORM

Type or print clearly:

Attach candidate's
current photo here.

For CMRE Office Use Only:

CMRE Candidate Number:

Candidate Name _____

Current Address _____

Birth date _____

Exam Date _____

Exam Location _____

Complete on exam-day prior to provision of examination to candidate:

Candidate Identification Card Type: _____

ID Card Number: _____

Candidate Signature: _____

Identified & Witnessed by: _____

Date: _____

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Submit this form & fee to the host organization.

Payment must be in the form of a certified cheque payable to the host organization unless otherwise stated.

College of Midwives of Alberta

215, 1935 32 Avenue NE
Calgary, Alberta
T2E 7C8

- Please contact the CMA directly for accepted methods of payment.

College of Midwives of British Columbia

#603 - 601 West Broadway
Vancouver, British Columbia
V5Z 4C2

- CMBC accepts certified cheques, bank draft, and money orders in Canadian funds. VISA and MasterCard are accepted.
- Obtain a MasterCard Authorization sheet to submit with the CMRE Registration Form

College of Midwives of Manitoba

230 – 500 Portage Ave
Winnipeg, Manitoba
R3C 3X1

- CMM accepts certified cheques, bank draft, and money orders in Canadian funds.

Midwifery Regulatory Council of Nova Scotia

1690 Hollis Street
P.O. Box 488
Halifax, Nova Scotia
B3L 4H9

- MRCNS accepts cheques, bank drafts and money orders in Canadian funds payable to Government of Nova Scotia.

Midwifery Council of New Brunswick

1690 Hollis Street
P.O. Box 5100
HSBC Place
520 King Street
Fredericton, New Brunswick
E3B 5G8

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College of Midwives of Ontario

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Toronto, Ontario M4T 1L9

- CMO only accepts certified cheques or money orders and does NOT accept payments made by credit card.

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