

# Canadian Midwifery Registration Examination

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## INFORMATION FOR CMRE CANDIDATES IN 2019

### 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\*<sup>1</sup> 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.

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<sup>1</sup> *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 (1a stage).*

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## Examination Registration

1. Complete the *CMRE Registration Form* and the *Candidate Identification form* for the province to which you are applying.
2. Submit the registration form and the candidate ID 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 Deadline<sup>1</sup></i>	<i>Withdrawal Deadline<sup>2</sup></i>
May 2, 2019	March 8, 2019	April 5, 2019

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 between 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](http://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.

## 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 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. All requests are assessed by the CMRE Exam Committee. While the CMRE will do its best to provide appropriate accommodation, it is not guaranteed.

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## 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 5-6 weeks of the exam date. Results will not be provided verbally or via e-mail.

## Examination Rewrite

Candidates are eligible to take the exam multiple times. Candidates have to show proof of additional relevant study/education when registering for a 4<sup>th</sup> (or more) attempt.

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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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## Eligibility requirement

Please indicate how you will fulfill the Canadian registration requirements:

- Bridging program. Please specify \_\_\_\_\_
- PLEA
- University

Please indicate the name and location of your midwifery education program:

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If initially educated outside of Canada, please specify the institution and location:

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First language:

- English
- French
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## Examination Date and Site

*Not all provinces host all offerings of the CMRE. Please ensure that your selected province is hosting a sitting on the examination date indicated. Confirm the host city prior to registration.*

Examination Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
*See CMRE Information Sheet for dates and times.*

Examination Site: \_\_\_\_\_ (host city)



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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 \_\_\_\_\_

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Birth date \_\_\_\_\_

Exam Date \_\_\_\_\_

Exam Location \_\_\_\_\_

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ATTENTION PROCTOR: **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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**Please submit the completed registration form, candidate identification form and 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***

119E 1144 29 Ave NE  
Calgary, AB T2E 7P1

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

## ***College of Midwives of British Columbia***

#900-200 Granville St.  
Vancouver, BC  
V6C 1S4

- CMBC accepts certified cheques, bank draft, and money orders in Canadian funds. VISA and Mastercard are accepted with a 3% surcharge.
- Obtain a Mastercard Authorization sheet to submit with the CMRE Registration Form

## ***College of Midwives of Manitoba***

230 – 500 Portage Ave  
Winnipeg, MB  
R3C 3X1

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

## ***Midwifery Regulatory Council of Nova Scotia***

1894 Barrington Street  
P.O. Box 488  
Halifax, Nova Scotia  
B3J 2R8

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

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## ***Midwifery Council of New Brunswick***

P.O Box 20315  
King's Place PO  
Fredericton, New Brunswick  
E3B 0N7

- Please check with MCNB for payment options.

## ***College of Midwives of Ontario***

21 St. Clair Avenue East, Suite 303  
Toronto, Ontario M4T 1L9

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

## ***Ordre des sages-femmes du Québec***

1200 avenue Papineau  
Montréal, Quebec  
H2K 4R5

- Please check with L'Ordre regarding payment options.

## ***Saskatchewan College of Midwives***

PO Box 32097  
Regina, Saskatchewan  
S4N 7L2

- Please check with SCM regarding payment options.

## ***Government of Nunavut - Dept of Health & Social Services***

Attn. B. Harvey  
PO Box 390  
Kugluktuk, Nunavut  
X0B 0E0

- Only personal cheques, money orders or bank drafts.