

1 **21 NCAC 36.0109 – Process for Approval to Practice**  
2 The certified nurse midwife approval is terminated when the certified nurse midwife discontinues working  
3 within the approved certified nurse midwife collaborative practice agreement, or experiences an  
4 interruption in her or his practice shall notify the Midwifery Joint Committee in writing. Midwifery Joint  
5 Committee may temporarily extend the certified nurse midwife's approval to practice whenever the  
6 supervising physician unexpectedly terminates the collaborative practice agreement.

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8 History Note: Authority G.S. 90-178.2; 90-178.3; 90-178.4; 90-178.5.  
9 Emergency Adoption Eff. June 18, 2012.



MIDWIFERY JOINT COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

**Midwifery Joint Committee Policy**

Authority: G. S. 90-178.2; 90-178.3; 90-178.4; 90-178.5

TOPIC: Emergency Situations related to the Certified Nurse Midwife's Approval to Practice Agreement

PURPOSE: To define emergency situations and establish a policy/procedure that will be followed by the Midwifery Joint Committee regarding the Certified Nurse Midwife's approval to practice in an emergency situation.

DATE APPROVED: June 7, 2012

Policy Statement Procedure:

Emergency situation is defined as an injury sudden illness, death or other unforeseen unavailability of the certified nurse midwife's primary supervising physician.

In an emergency situation the staff of the Midwifery Joint Committee is authorized to grant the certified nurse midwife continued approval to practice until a new application is received and processed as follows:

- (1) The certified nurse midwife shall notify both Boards within two (2) business days of the emergency situation by first calling the Boards and then following up with a letter describing the emergency situation.
- (2) The certified nurse midwife is given forty-five (45) days from the date of the emergency situation to submit an application for a new primary supervising physician
- (3) The certified nurse midwife may ask for an extension of up to an additional thirty (30) days if he/she is unable after an exercise of due diligence to find another primary supervising physician
- (4) If an application for a new primary supervising physician is not submitted within forty-five (45) days or if an extension is not granted, the certified nurse midwife's approval to practice will terminate.