

Certified Nurse-Midwives of Colorado Fact Sheet www.nursemidwivesofcolorado.org

What is a Certified Nurse-Midwife (CNM)?

- A Certified Nurse-Midwife (CNM) has:
 - o completed training and is licensed as a Registered Nurse (RN)
 - completed nurse-midwifery education at the graduate level in a program accredited by American College of Nurse-Midwives, Accreditation Commission for Midwifery Education www.midwife.org
 - o passed the American Midwifery Certification Board examination www.amcbmidwife.org
- An Advanced Practice Nurse (APN) in the state of Colorado

How many CNMs are there?

- 10,000 CNMs in the United States
- 400 CNMs in Colorado

Where do CNMs practice?

- in private practices; University settings; military settings; HMOs (Kaiser); large institutions such as Banner, Exempla, Centura, and HealthOne; community health centers; Denver Health, a birth center; and, family planning clinics
- Alamosa, Aspen, Aurora, Basalt, Boulder, Colorado Springs, Denver, Durango, Englewood, Evergreen, Ft. Carson Army Base, Ft. Collins, Glenwood Springs, Grand Junction, Granby, Greeley, Gunnison, Idaho Springs, Lamar, Littleton, Loveland, Montrose Pueblo, Sterling, Thornton, US Air Force Academy, Wheat Ridge, Westminster, Wray, and Vail

Who do CNMs care for?

All women and their families; serving insured, under and uninsured clients

What services do CNMs provide?

- Primary care (urinary tract infections, upper respiratory infections, and the like)
- Gynecology (annual visits, gynecologic problems)
- Peri-and menopausal care
- Family planning
- Newborn care up to the 28th day of life
- Pregnancy care
- Support during and after birth
- Management of labor and attendance at birth
- Postpartum care

How many hospital births do CNMs attend?

- 10% of all births in Colorado
- 33% of all births at Denver Health Medical Center
- 25% of all births in northern Colorado

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