



Colorado Certified Nurse-Midwives

What is a Certified Nurse-Midwife?

- A certified nurse-midwife (CNM) is an individual educated in the two disciplines of nursing and midwifery, who possesses evidence of certification according to the requirements of the American College of Nurse-Midwives (ACNM).
- Nurse-Midwives are registered nurses (RNs) who have completed graduate level education and clinical training in a program accredited by the ACNM Accreditation Commission for Midwifery Education programs

How many CNMs are there?

- 10,000 certified nurse-midwives (CNMs) in the United States
- 400 CNMs in Colorado

Where do CNMs practice?

- In over 70 health care sites across Colorado: private practices, University settings, military settings, HMO (Kaiser), Banner, Exempla, Centura, HCA, community health centers, Denver Health, birth center, family planning clinics
- Alamosa, Aspen, Basalt, Boulder, Colorado Springs, Denver, 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 Airforce Academy, Wheat Ridge, Westminster, Wray, 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, etc.)
- Gynecology (annual visits, gyn problems)
- Peri-menopause and menopause
- 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
- 25% of all births in northern Colorado

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