

MIDWIVES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Professional and Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
State of Hawaii

AGENDA

Date: January 29, 2024

Time: 9:00 a.m.

In-Person Meeting Location: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
HRH King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, First Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Virtual

Participation: Virtual Videoconference Meeting – Zoom Webinar (use link below)
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Agenda: The agenda was posted to the State electronic calendar as required by Hawaii Revised Statutes (“HRS”) section 92-7(b).

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1. Call to Order, Public Notice, Quorum
2. Approval of the Minutes of the October 30, 2023 Meeting
3. Executive Officer's Report
 - a. 2024 Legislative Session – The following bills are being provided for discussion purposes and no action/position needed by the Committee
 - 1) HB 1698 Relating to Home Births
Short form bill relating to home births
 - 2) SB 2969 Relating to Access for Reproductive Care
Clarifies the State's midwifery law to permit care by extended family, cultural supporters, or others with whom a woman chooses to give birth. Specifies that nothing in the midwifery law shall prohibit or restrict healing practices by traditional healers of any ethnic culture or religious faith or their students; limit, alter, or adversely impact any religion or ethnic cultural practices; or prohibit or interfere with a person's right to choose where and with whom the person gives birth.
4. Review and Discussion of Proposed Rules for License Midwives' Draft #2
 - a. Documents and Testimony submitted by Margaret Ragen

5. Next Meeting: TBA

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6. Adjournment

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