The Midwifery Regulations

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The Midwifery Act

Title
1 These regulations may be cited as The Midwifery Regulations.

Interpretation
2 In these regulations, “Act” means The Midwifery Act.

Drugs
3(1) Subject to the Act, the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act (Canada), The Drug Schedules Regulations, 1997, the bylaws and any terms and conditions set out in the member’s licence, a member may, for a purpose that is within the scope of the practice of midwifery:

(a) prescribe or administer a drug that is:
   (i) set out in Table 1 of the Appendix; or
   (ii) a member of a category of drugs set out in Table 1 of the Appendix; or

(b) administer a drug that is prescribed by a practitioner who is a member of a category of practitioners authorized to prescribe the drug.

(2) Nothing in subsection (1) authorizes a member to perform an invasive procedure associated with the administration of a drug if that invasive procedure is not authorized pursuant to section 5.

Diagnostic tests
4 Subject to the Act, the bylaws and any terms and conditions set out in the member’s licence, a member may, for a purpose that is within the scope of the practice of midwifery, order, perform and interpret a diagnostic test that is:

(a) set out in Table 2 of the Appendix; or

(b) a member of a category of diagnostic tests set out in Table 2 of the Appendix.
Invasive procedures

Subject to the Act, the bylaws and any terms and conditions set out in the member’s licence, a member may, for a purpose that is within the scope of the practice of midwifery, perform and interpret an invasive procedure that is:

(a) set out in Table 3 of the Appendix; or
(b) a member of a category of invasive procedures set out in Table 3 of the Appendix.

Coming into force

Subject to subsection (2), these regulations come into force on the day on which section 23 of The Midwifery Act comes into force.

If section 23 of The Midwifery Act comes into force before these regulations are filed with the Registrar of Regulations, these regulations come into force on the day on which they are filed with the Registrar of Regulations.
Appendix

TABLE 1
[Subsection 3(1)]

Authorized Drugs and Categories of Drugs

- Analgesics
- Antibiotics
- Antiemetics
- Antifungals
- Antihaemorrhoidal agents
- Antihistamines
- Contraceptives
- Crystalloid or colloid intravenous solutions
- Epinephrine
- Ergometrine
- Human papilloma virus vaccine (HPV)
- Influenza vaccine
- Local anaesthetics
- Narcotic antagonists
- Non-prescription drugs
- Oxygen
- Oxytocin
- Prostaglandins
- Rho (D) Immune globulin
- Rubella or mumps/rubella vaccine
- Sodium bicarbonate
- Vitamin K

TABLE 2
[Section 4]

Authorized Diagnostic Tests

- Biochemistry
- Cytology
- Haematology
- Immunology
- Microbiology
- Newborn screening
- Non-stress test
- Ultrasound imaging
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**Authorized Invasive Procedures**

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