MIDWIFERY WORKGROUP Monday, December 4, 2006 Richmond, Virginia

The Midwifery Workgroup met on Monday, December 4, 2006, at 10 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, 6603 West Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia. The meeting was called to order by Leslie Payne, CPM, Chair.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Leslie Payne, CPM

Peggy Franklin, CPM Deren Bader, CPM, DrPH

Joanne Boise Joan Corder-Mabe

Mary Zoller

STAFF PRESENT: William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director

Elaine Yeatts, Senior Policy Analyst

Ola Powers, Deputy Executive Director for Licensing

Colanthia Morton, Operations Manager

OTHERS PRESENT: Rebecca Bowers-Lanier, Commonwealth Midwives Alliance

Scott Cannady, DMAS

Tyler Cox, MSV

Call to Order

Ms. Payne called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

The roll was called and a quorum was declared.

Adoption of the Agenda

Dr. Bader moved to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded and carried.

Public Comment on Agenda Items

There was no public comment.

New Business

1. Review of the Department of Health Professions Regulations on Licensed Midwives.

Ms. Yeatts explained the purpose of a guidance document and began the process of review with the Board of Medicine's CPM regulations.

2. Review of the Department of Health's Laws and Regulations that impact Licensed Midwives

With the assistance of Ms. Zoller, Ms. Corder-Mabe and Ms. Boise, Department of Health laws and regulations considered to impact the practice of licensed midwives were identified. Several items will be included in the guidance document. The discussion also identified the potential need for inclusion of licensed midwives in a couple of sections of the Department of Health statutes. Issues with Vital Records were addressed.

3. Review of the Department of Social Services Laws and Regulations impacting Licensed Midwives

Ms. Yeatts discussed the Department of Social Services laws and regulations that may impact the practice of licensed midwives.

4. Draft of Proposed Guidance Document

The workgroup believed that it had identified the laws and regulations other than those of the Department of Health Professions and the Board of Medicine that should be included in a guidance document that would be made available to all Licensed Midwives. Ms. Yeatts asked the assistance of the representatives from the Department of Health in submitting their suggestions for the guidance document by January 5, 2007. She will then create a draft document for circulation to the members of the Workgroup for their review and comments by email.

5. Next Step in Process

The goal is to present a final draft of the guidance document to the Licensed Midwifery Advisory Board on January 19, 2007.

Adjournment	
The Midwifery Workgroup adjourned at 2pm.	
Leslie Payne, CPM, Chair	William L. Harp, M.D. Executive Director
Ola Powers	
Deputy Executive Director of Licensing	