

**Request for Comment
Petition for Rulemaking**

Comment Period: May 22, 2023 – July 21, 2023

Promulgating Board: Boards of Nursing and Medicine

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Chapter Affected:

18 VAC 90 - 70:	Regulations Governing the Practice of Licensed Certified Midwives
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Statutory Authority: State: §§ 54.1-2400, 54.1-2957.04

Action Summary

Chapter 200 of the 2021 General Assembly required the Boards of Nursing and Medicine to promulgate regulations governing the practice of licensed certified midwives. Virginia Code § 54.1-2957.04 specifies the credential that will be considered as qualification for licensure and renewal, the requirement for a practice agreement, and the prescriptive authority for the profession. The Boards will adopt additional requirements similar to other licensed professions for a fee structure, renewal or reinstatement, continuing competency, and standards of practice.

Public Participation

The proposed regulations will be published in the Virginia Register of Regulations on May 22, 2023. Public comment will open on May 22, 2023, and will close on July 21, 2023. The Board will hold a public hearing regarding the proposed regulations. That hearing is currently scheduled for July 18, 2023, at 9:05 a.m. Any changes to the public hearing date, time, and location will be published on the Regulatory Town Hall at www.townhall.virginia.gov.

Publication Date 05/22/2023 *(comment period will also begin on this date)*

Comment End Date 07/21/2023