

Chapter 11

Section 3.12

Certified Nurse Midwife (CNM)

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1.0 ISSUE

Certified Nurse Midwife (CNM).

2.0 POLICY

2.1 A CNM may provide covered care independent of physician referral and supervision, provided the nurse midwife is:

2.1.1 Licensed, when required, by the local licensing agency for the jurisdiction in which the care is provided; and

2.1.2 Certified by the American **Midwifery Certification Board (AMCB)**. To receive certification, a candidate must be a **Registered Nurse (RN)** who has completed successfully an educational program approved by the **AMCB**, and passed the **AMCB** National Certification Examination.

2.2 The services of a **RN** who is not a CNM may be authorized only when the patient has been referred for care by a licensed physician and a licensed physician provides continuing supervision of the course of care.

3.0 EXCLUSION

A lay midwife who is neither a CNM nor a RN is not an authorized provider, regardless of whether the services rendered may otherwise be covered.

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