

Canadian Midwifery Registration Examination

INFORMATION FOR CMRE CANDIDATES IN 2020

Eligibility

The CMRE is open to internationally-educated midwives and Canadian educated midwifery candidates as defined below.

Internationally-educated midwives are eligible to write the CMRE if they have successfully completed or are currently enrolled in good standing in the final stage*¹ of a Canadian bridging or gap training program approved or recognized by one of the provincial/territorial midwifery regulatory colleges. Currently approved assessment/bridging programs include (please note: approval of specific programs as a route to registration may vary from jurisdiction to jurisdiction):

- ❖ International Midwifery Pre-Registration Program (IMPP)
- ❖ Multijurisdictional Midwifery Bridging Program (MMBP)
- ❖ Prior Learning and Experience Assessment of Alberta (PLEA)
- ❖ Programme d'appoint pour les sages-femmes formées à l'étranger de l'UQTR

Canadian educated midwifery candidates are eligible to write the CMRE if they have successfully completed or are currently enrolled in good standing in the final term of a Canadian Midwifery Education Program approved or recognized by one of the provincial/territorial midwifery regulatory colleges. Currently approved midwifery education programs include those offered at the following universities (please note: approval of specific programs as a route to registration may vary from jurisdiction to jurisdiction):

- Laurentian University
- McMaster University
- Mount Royal University
- Ryerson University
- University of British Columbia
- University College of the North
- Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières

Proof of eligibility must be provided by either the candidates, the Midwifery Education Programs, the bridging or gap training programs or the provincial/territorial midwifery regulators where applicable.

¹ *Final stage in the International Midwifery Preregistration Program (IMMP) and the Manitoba Assessment and Gap Training Program refers to once the 'Definitive Assessment' has been completed and the candidate has been deemed eligible to continue.*

Final stage in the UQTR Programme D'appointe refers to once the candidate has entered into the clinical practicum (la stage).

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Examination Registration

1. Complete the *CMRE Registration Form* for the province to which you are applying.
2. Submit the registration form and payment to CMRC Executive Director at tracy.murphy@cmrc-ccosf.ca or 480 Maple Lane, Ottawa, ON K1M 1H9. Forms AND payment must be received by the exam registration deadline. (See registration form for payment information.)
3. Additional information, including the CMRE sitting location, will be emailed to you after your registration has been processed.

Examination Sites

The Regulatory Organizations determine the exam sites. Toronto and Vancouver are standing cities, and other locations are based on registration. On the Registration Form, candidates should indicate where they hope to write the exam. Once registered, this cannot be changed.

Examination Schedule

| <i>Exam Date</i> | <i>Registration Deadline¹</i> | <i>Withdrawal Deadline²</i> |
|------------------|--|--|
| May 7, 2020 | March 13, 2020 | April 14, 2020 |

1 Registration forms and fees must be received by the registration deadline.

2 Withdrawal policy – 75% of fee will be reimbursed to any candidates who withdraw by the withdrawal deadline. No reimbursements are available after that date. Exceptional circumstances, such as significant injury or hospitalization/illness may be considered on a case by case basis. Please contact tracy.murphy@cmrc-ccosf.ca. If proof of program completion cannot be provided due to education program issues, the deadline to submit proof of eligibility to the registrar of the regulatory body will be extended to one (1) week before the exam date. If proof of eligibility cannot be provided 1 week before the exam date, due to education program issues only, the CMRE exam fee may be transferred to the next exam sitting.

On exam day: The exam will take place from 9am to 12:30pm and 1:30pm to 5pm. Candidates must arrive at the examination site by 8:30am and 1:15pm or admittance may be denied. Lunch must be taken off-site. Please dress in layers as room temperatures may vary.

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Examination Format

The examination consists of case based and independent multiple-choice questions totaling between 210-230 questions.

Exam questions come from the CMRE exam databank according to the *CMRE Blueprint* and its content is based on the *Canadian Competencies for Registered Midwives*. Both documents are available at www.cmrc-ccosf.ca. The percentage of questions on the exam from each competency is noted below.

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|---------------------------|--------|
| General Competencies | 5-10% |
| Education and Counselling | 5-10% |
| Antepartum | 25-30% |
| Intrapartum | 25-30% |
| Postpartum – Maternal | 10-15% |
| Postpartum – Newborn | 10-15% |
| Well-Woman Care | 1-5% |
| Professional & Legal | 1-3% |
| Professional Development | 1-3% |

In order to represent the range of care a Canadian midwife is expected to provide, slightly more than half of the questions will be set in an out-of-hospital setting with the remainder in a hospital setting. Slightly more than half of the questions will represent normal midwifery situations and the remainder, abnormal situations.

Language

The examination is available in either English or French. If you wish to write the CMRE in French, please indicate this preference on the registration form. At this time, the default is English unless French is specifically requested. You can ask for the exam booklet in both languages.

Special Accommodation Requests

Candidates may request a special accommodation for the CMRE as long as the accommodation does not interfere with assessing competency. To request special exam accommodation, the candidate must complete the CMRE Special Accommodation Request Form and submit it to tracy.murphy@cmrc-ccosf.ca by the exam registration deadline. The form asks for supporting information and documentation.

All requests are assessed by the CMRE Committee. While the committee will do its best to provide appropriate accommodation, it is not guaranteed.

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Examination Admittance

For admittance to the exam, **candidates must show the exam proctor the same photo identification listed on their CMRE Registration Form.** Candidates are not required to show their Candidate Confirmation to gain entry, as all registered individuals will be listed on the proctor's roster.

Do not bring personal belongings, exam aids, or food to the examination unless you have received written permission. Anything you do bring will be held by the exam proctor for the duration of the examination periods. **You are allowed to bring water in your own container.** Do not wear scents to the exam.

Please bring **#2HB pencils, an eraser and a ruler** to use during the exam.

Examination Pass Score

The passing score for the CMRE is developed through a standard setting process that ensures that the pass mark accurately reflects the acceptable level of Midwifery proficiency in Canada. Examination forms are validated and subject to a statistical check of reliability. The CMRE uses an item writing and standard setting procedure that promotes comparability and fairness across candidates, test forms and yearly administrations. As a result of this complex process, the specific passing score may change slightly from one sitting to the next.

Examination Results

Examinations are scored using automated scoring and checked through hand scoring.

Examination score reports (Pass or Fail) will be emailed by the CMRC approximately 5 weeks after the exam date. Results will not be provided verbally.

Examination Rewrite

Candidates are eligible to take the exam multiple times. After three (3) attempts, candidates must show proof of additional relevant study/education before registering for a 4th (or more) attempt.

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REGISTRATION FORM

Personal Information

Please provide current contact information below. If this information changes before the exam date, contact tracy.murphy@cmrc-ccosf.ca immediately with updated information.

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Middle Initial _____

Address _____ City _____

Province/State _____ Postal/Zip Code _____ Country _____

Date of Birth _____

Home Phone _____ Work/ Cell Phone _____

E-mail _____

Picture ID type and number _____

Acceptable ID must contain name, date of birth, signature and photograph (e.g. Driver's licence, passport, Canadian permanent resident card, government issued ID with photo) and THE SAME ID MUST BE PRESENTED AT THE EXAM

CMRE Attempts

Is this your first attempt at the CMRE? Yes No

If no, please indicate which attempt (e.g. 2nd attempt): _____

Note: When tallying a candidate's attempts at the CMRE, all the previous attempts in all jurisdictions must be counted. If it is discovered that all previous CMRE attempts are not disclosed on the CMRE Registration Form, the candidate will not be allowed to attempt the exam again. Not disclosing all previous attempts could impact the candidate's registration, or application for registration, in the jurisdiction where they intend to practise.

Language

The CMRE is offered in French and/or English. Please select your language preference.

English

French

Both

If your language preference is French, do you require a French speaking proctor? Yes No

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Special Accommodation

Requests for special exam accommodation must be received by tracy.murphy@cmrc-ccosf.ca by the exam registration deadline and must be accompanied by supporting documentation. All completed requests are assessed by the CMRE Committee. Accommodations are not guaranteed.

Are you requesting special assistance or accommodation on the day of the exam?

Yes

No

If yes, please complete the **CMRE Special Accommodation Request Form**

Eligibility requirement

Please indicate how you will fulfill the Canadian registration requirements:

Bridging program; please specify _____

PLEA (Prior learning experience and assessment)

Approved Canadian Baccalaureate Midwifery Education Program

Please indicate the name and location of your Canadian midwifery education program:

Examination Date and Site

Not all provinces host all offerings of the CMRE. Please ensure that your selected province is hosting a sitting on the examination date indicated. Confirm the host city prior to registration.

Examination Date: _____
See CMRE Information Sheet for dates and times.

Examination Site: _____ (host city)

Fees and Payment

CMRE Fee \$750.00

Cheque enclosed payable to Canadian Midwifery Regulators Council OR

INTERAC e-transfer to tracy.murphy@cmrc-ccosf.ca use **paycmre** as the password for the transaction.

And include your name in the memo/message field so that the payment is linked to the candidate.

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First Name _____ Last Name _____

ATTENTION PROCTOR: Complete on exam day prior to giving the exam booklet and other material to the candidate:

Candidate ID card and number is the same as listed on roster: Yes No

(If no, the individual can write the exam, however the proctor & candidate together must contact CMRE Administrator at lunch or immediately after exam.)

Candidate signature: _____

Identified and witnessed by (proctor): _____

Date: _____

Registrations are not accepted after the registration deadline

If paying by cheque to the Canadian Midwifery Regulators Council, mail registration forms and payment to:

Tracy Murphy, CMRC Executive Director
480 Maple Lane
Ottawa, ON K1M 1H9

If paying by INTERAC e-transfer, see information on the previous page and email completed form to: tracy.murphy@cmrc-ccosf.ca