

PUBLIC ADVISORY

Unauthorized practice of midwifery

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BCCNM is aware of individuals unlawfully practising midwifery by providing prenatal care, attending labours, delivering babies, and managing home births when they are **not permitted to do so**. These individuals do not have the same training, experience, and access to life-saving medications and equipment as midwives, nor integration with hospitals for emergency care if needed, resulting in significant risks to the health and safety of birthing persons and their babies.

BCCNM has published a [Public Advisory](#) to alert the public to the risks of choosing an unauthorized provider for their birth that we encourage you to read.

REPORTING UNAUTHORIZED PROVIDERS

Unauthorized providers create a public safety risk which is a great concern to BCCNM. As the provincial regulator, we are in a position to take action against these individuals. If you know of a person offering unauthorized midwifery services, you are encouraged to make a report to BCCNM in writing at complaints@bccnm.ca.

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