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**CERTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES
FILED WITH THE LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY
OTHNI LATHRAM, DIRECTOR**

(Pursuant to Code of Alabama 1975, §41-22-6, as amended).

I certify that the attached is/are correct copy/copies of rule/s as promulgated and adopted on the 21st day of August, 2019, and filed with the agency secretary on the 21st day of August, 2019.

AGENCY NAME: Alabama State Board of Medical Examiners

Amendment New Repeal (Mark appropriate space)

Rule No. 540-X-8-.17(1)(a)
(If amended rule, give specific paragraph, subparagraphs, etc., being amended)

Rule Title: Qualifications for Approval as a Certified Nurse Midwife


ACTION TAKEN: State whether the rule was adopted with or without changes from the proposal due to written or oral comments:

No comments received. Rule adopted without changes from the proposal.

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION PUBLISHED IN VOLUME XXXVII,
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Statutory Rulemaking Authority: Code of Alabama §§ 34-24-53, 34-21-80 through 93.1

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Certifying Officer or his or her
Deputy

NOTE: In accordance with §41 22 6(b), as amended, a proposed rule is required to be certified within 90 days after completion of the notice.

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540-X-8-.17 Qualifications for Approval as a Certified Nurse Midwife.

(1) The applicant for approval to practice as a certified nurse midwife shall have:

(a) An active Alabama registered nurse license, or a multistate registered nurse license issued by a party state, as defined in Chapter 610-X-4 of the Rules of the Alabama Board of Nursing, unless authorized by the Board of Nursing.

(b) Met all requirements for completion of or graduation from an organized program of study and clinical experience beyond the basic educational preparation as a registered nurse that prepares nurse midwives and is recognized by the Board of Nursing and the appropriate specialty certifying agency.

(c) At least a master's or higher degree in advanced practice nursing from an accredited program recognized by the Nursing Board. The applicant for initial approval as a nurse midwife who meets one of the following criteria is exempt from the requirement for a master's degree in nursing:

1. Graduation prior to 1996 from a Nursing-Board recognized post-baccalaureate program preparing nurse midwives,

2. Graduation prior to 1984 from a non-baccalaureate program preparing nurse midwives, or

3. The Board of Nursing may grant a waiver of the Master's degree requirement at its discretion.

(d) Current certification as a certified nurse midwife by the American College of Nurse Midwives or American College of Nurse Midwives Certification Council.

Author: Alabama Board of Medical Examiners.

Statutory Authority: Code of Alabama 1975, as amended, §§ 34-24-53 and

34-21-80 through 93.1.

History: This new Chapter 8 - Advanced Practice Nurses: Collaborative Practice replaces Chapter 8 - Nurse Midwives. This chapter is being filed as a joint effort by the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners and the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners. Amended/Approved For Publication: March 20, 1996. Approved/Adopted: June 19, 1996. Effective Date: July 25, 1996. Amended/Approved for Publication: May 21, 2003. Approved/Adopted: August 20, 2003. Effective Date: September 30, 2003. Amended/Approved: June 19, 2019. Certified Filed: August 23, 2019. Effective Date: October 8, 2019.