1. Type of Estimate and Analysis ⊠ Original	2. Date
	October 29, 2020
3. Administrative Rule Chapter, Title and Number (and Clearinghouse Number if applicable) $\rm N~4$	
4. Subject Licensure of nurse-midwives	
5. Fund Sources Affected	6. Chapter 20, Stats. Appropriations Affected 20.165 (1) (g)
7. Fiscal Effect of Implementing the Rule         No Fiscal Effect       Increase Existing Revenues         Indeterminate       Decrease Existing Revenues	<ul> <li>☑ Increase Costs</li> <li>☑ Could Absorb Within Agency's Budget</li> </ul>
8. The Rule Will Impact the Following (Check All That Apply)	
□ State's Economy □ Specific Businesses/Sectors	
Local Government Units     Public Utility Rate Payers	
Small Businesses (if checked, complete Attachment A)	
<ol> <li>9. Estimate of Implementation and Compliance to Businesses, Local Governmental Units and Individuals, per s. 227.137(3)(b)(1).</li> <li>\$0</li> </ol>	
10. Would Implementation and Compliance Costs Businesses, Local Governmental Units and Individuals Be \$10 Million or more Over Any 2-year Period, per s. 227.137(3)(b)(2)?	
11. Policy Problem Addressed by the Rule	
The Board conducted a comprehensive review of ch. N 4 to ensure its provisions are statutorily compliant and current	
with professional standards and practices. As a result of this review, the following changes have been made:	
• A definition of "bureau" and associated references to the Bureau of Health Service Professions within the	
Department of Safety and Professional Services are removed, as the Bureau no longer exists.	
• A definition of "written agreement" is removed, as it contains substantive and self-evident criteria for the required written agreement under which a nurse-midwife works in collaboration with a physician.	
• Sections N 4.03 and 4.05 are updated to reflect that the current accrediting body of educational programs in nurse-	
midwifery is the Accreditation Commission for Midwifery Education, and that the American Midwifery Certification	
Board is the current national certifying body.	
• Section N 4.04 is revised to remove an obsolete requirement that an application be notarized.	
• Section N 4.043 is created to specify the requirements for renewal of a license to practice nurse-midwifery.	
• Section N 4.10, relating to malpractice insurance, is revised to be consistent with the exceptions to the malpractice	
insurance coverage requirements enumerated in s. 441.15 (5) (a), Stats.	
• Provisions concerning licensure and temporary permits have been reorganized for connectivity and clarity.	
• Other revisions throughout ch. N 4 have been made to provide clarity and comply with current drafting standards.	
12. Summary of the Businesses, Business Sectors, Associations Representing Business, Local Governmental Units, and Individuals that may be Affected by the Proposed Rule that were Contacted for Comments.	
The rule draft was posted on the department's website for 14 days to solicit economic impact comments from businesses,	
business sectors, associations representing business, local governmental units, and individuals. No comments were	
received.	
13. Identify the Local Governmental Units that Participated in the Development of this EIA.	
The rule draft was posted on the department's website for 14 days to solicit economic impact comments from businesses,	

business sectors, associations representing business, local governmental units, and individuals. No comments were received from local governmental units.

14. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Specific Businesses, Business Sectors, Public Utility Rate Payers, Local Governmental Units and the State's Economy as a Whole (Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)

A one time impact to DSPS of \$931.01 which could likely be absorbed in the agency's operating budget

15. Benefits of Implementing the Rule and Alternative(s) to Implementing the Rule

The benefit to implementing the rule is providing consistency with current professional standards and practices and applicable Wisconsin statutes. If the rule is not implemented, it will continue to reflect outdated standards and practices.

16. Long Range Implications of Implementing the Rule

The long range implication of implementing the rule is providing consistency with current professional standards and practices and applicable Wisconsin statutes.

17. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Federal Government None

18. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Neighboring States (Illinois, Iowa, Michigan and Minnesota) Illinois:

Rules of the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation address the practice of midwifery in Illinois (68 Ill. Adm. Code 1300). This includes requirements for licensure as an advanced practice registered nurse with certification as a nurse-midwife (68 Ill. Adm. Code 1300.400), the scope of practice of advanced practice registered nursing by certified nurse-midwives (68 Ill. Adm. Code 1300.440), requirements for written collaborative agreements (68 Ill. Adm. Code 1300.410), and requirements for late renewal and restoration of a license (68 Ill. Adm. Code 1300.50).

### Iowa:

Rules of the Iowa Board of Nursing address the practice of midwifery in Iowa (655 IAC). This includes requirements for licensure as an advanced practice registered nurse with certification as a nurse-midwife (655 IAC 7.2), the scope and standards of advanced nursing practice by certified nurse-midwives (655 IAC 7.4 to 7.6), and requirements for late renewal and reactivation of a license (655 IAC 7.3). Advanced practice registered nurses practicing in Iowa are not required to enter into a collaborative agreement.

Michigan:

Rules of the Michigan Board of Nursing address the practice of midwifery in Michigan (Mich Admin Code, R 338). This includes requirements for licensure as a registered professional nurse with specialty certification as a nurse-midwife (Mich Admin Code, R 338.10203 to R 338.10205 and R 338.10404a), a definition of the practice of a nurse-midwife within the scope of practice of registered professional nursing (Mich Admin Code, R 338.10401), and requirements for late renewal and reregistration of a nurse-midwife specialty certification (Mich Admin Code, R 338.10405a). Registered professional nurses with specialty certification, including specialty certification as a nurse-midwife, practicing in Michigan are not required to enter into a collaborative agreement.

#### Minnesota:

Rules of the Minnesota Board of Nursing and the Minnesota Statutes address the practice of midwifery in Minnesota (Minnesota Rules, Parts 6305.0100 to 6305.0800 and 2019 Minnesota Statutes, Sections 148.171 to 148.285). This includes requirements for licensure as an advanced practice registered nurse with certification as a nurse-midwife (Minnesota Rules, Part 6305.0410), a definition of nurse-midwife practice (2019 Minnesota Statutes, Section 148.171, Subd. 10), and requirements for late registration and reregistration of a license (2019 Minnesota Statutes, Section 148.231). Advanced practice registered nurses with certification as a nurse-midwife practicing in Minnesota are not required to enter into a collaborative management agreement.

19. Contact Name

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# ATTACHMENT A

1. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Small Businesses (Separately for each Small Business Sector, Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)

2. Summary of the data sources used to measure the Rule's impact on Small Businesses

- 3. Did the agency consider the following methods to reduce the impact of the Rule on Small Businesses?
- Less Stringent Compliance or Reporting Requirements
- Less Stringent Schedules or Deadlines for Compliance or Reporting
- Consolidation or Simplification of Reporting Requirements
- Establishment of performance standards in lieu of Design or Operational Standards
- Exemption of Small Businesses from some or all requirements

Other, describe:

4. Describe the methods incorporated into the Rule that will reduce its impact on Small Businesses

- 5. Describe the Rule's Enforcement Provisions
- 6. Did the Agency prepare a Cost Benefit Analysis (if Yes, attach to form)

🗌 Yes 🗌 No