

POLICY STATEMENT ON NURSING AND MIDWIFERY WORK



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The Commonwealth Nurses and Midwives Federation supports the position that all workers providing nursing and midwifery care are part of the nursing and midwifery family: from novice to expert, from lower level cadre to higher level cadre. Position titles should include the words: nurse or nursing; midwife or midwifery so that the worker is clearly identified as being a part of the nursing and midwifery profession (for example registered nurse; enrolled nurse; nurse or nursing assistant; registered midwife; enrolled midwife; midwife or midwifery assistant). As all nurses and midwives work together as a team, delegating care to or between each other, in order to protect worker and client, all workers providing nursing and midwifery care should be educated within a nursing or midwifery faculty, and be regulated by a nursing and midwifery regulatory body.