

Bachelor of Midwifery Scope of Practice Guidelines

Year 1 Clinical Skills

Note. Skills listed for first year MPE are **NOT** to be undertaken on placement until:
Completion of relevant clinical laboratory preparation and participation activities, and Assurance of appropriate venue supervision capabilities

- ▶ Numeracy testing
- ▶ Hand washing and PPE
- ▶ Assisting with basic personal care
- ▶ Safe moving
- ▶ Documentation and communication in the health care environment
- ▶ Bed making
- ▶ TPR and BP
- ▶ Urinalysis



Care in pregnancy

- History taking, antenatal screening and communicating with women
- Interpreting assessment/screening data and documentation and referral
- ▶ Prenatal parent education: content and rationale for attending
- ▶ Abdominal palpation and fetal wellbeing
 - Pinnards, Doppler
 - Fetal movements
 - Liquor
- ▶ Drug safety in pregnancy (**observation only**)
- ▶ Providing and Supporting Continuity of Care



Care in labour and birth

- Stages & mechanisms/rhythms of labour
- Water immersion and water birth
- Physiological and active third stage
- ▶ Vaginal Examinations
 - Sterile gloving
 - Sterile birth packs
- ▶ Conduct birth
 - APGAR scoring
 - Perform newborn exam with parents
 - Documentation and referral
 - Communication with women and families
- ▶ Neonatal resuscitation (observed)
- ▶ Venipuncture (observed)
- ▶ Drug safety in labour and birth (observed)
- ▶ Demonstrate an understanding of continuity of care and carer

Care in the immediate postnatal Period

- Postnatal assessment
- Involution, Breasts, Nutrition and elimination, Activity, and rest (sleep), Perineal care
- Latching on, positioning and establishment of breastfeeding & expressing
- Supporting the woman to understand and meet the needs of her newborn baby
- Newborn Screening Test
- ▶ Drug safety in labour and birth (observed)
- ▶ Conclude the midwifery relationship in a timely and appropriate manner

Year 2 Clinical Skills

Note. Skills listed for second year MPE are **NOT** to be undertaken on placement until:
Completion of relevant clinical laboratory preparation and participation activities, and Assurance of appropriate venue supervision capabilities

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Medication Safety** ▶ Drug calculations ▶ Safe administration of medications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Oral □ Subcutaneous □ Intramuscular □ Intravascular □ Intrathecal □ Intravaginal □ Transdermal ▶ Drug safety in the post-natal period including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Breastfeeding □ Drug safety and the neonate □ Documentation ▶ Oral & Parenteral Medication administration (only on completion of related OSCA) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Caring for the Woman with Complex Needs during Pregnancy □ Interpreting assessment/screening data □ Fetal wellbeing □ Documentation, Communication and consultation and referral □ Providing and Supporting Continuity of Care |
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Caring for the woman with complex needs during Labour and Birth

- ▶ Fetal wellbeing
- ▶ External version
- ▶ Induction and Augmentation of labour
- ▶ Instrumental birth including LSCS
- ▶ Care of the woman and baby (LSCS)
 - IV canulation
 - I/O and care of indwelling catheter
 - Surgical asepsis
 - Receiving a baby
- ▶ Episiotomies and complications
- ▶ Perineal repair and care (observed)
- ▶ Maternity emergencies
 - Shoulder dystocia
 - Neonatal resuscitation
 - Cord prolapse
 - Obstructed labour
 - Postpartum haemorrhage
- ▶ Drug safety in labour and birth
- ▶ Blood Products Safety
- ▶ Venipuncture (observed)
- ▶ Documentation and Consultation and Referral
- ▶ Communicating with women and her support network during complex events



Year 3 Clinical Skills

Note. Skills listed for third year MPE are **NOT** to be undertaken on placement until:
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Capstone Clinical Skills

- ▶ Applying a fetal scalp electrode
 - Fetal blood sampling
 - Vaginal swabs
 - Amniotomy
- ▶ Documentation, Communication and consultation and referral
- ▶ Providing and Supporting Continuity of Care
- ▶ Demonstrate an understanding of continuity of care and carer
- ▶ Support models that provide continuity of carer
- ▶ Conclude the midwifery relationship in a timely and appropriate manner
- ▶ Maternity Emergencies including
 - Fetal surveillance & advanced resuscitation
 - Compromised fetus in antenatal period & labour
 - Shoulder dystocia
 - Postpartum haemorrhage & deteriorating woman
- ▶ Episiotomies
- ▶ Perineal repair & care
- ▶ Complex drug and fluid calculations for adults and newborn
- ▶ Venipuncture



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