

Additional Information Provided by Applicant

7/1/15 –after the original applicant report was submitted, the department received this follow up:

Based on further feedback that we have been getting from midwives, I'd like to offer this email as part of the comment record on the birth assistant sunrise review:

- We think it should be clarified that birth assistants are allowed to practice skills while attending the ten births that are required for certification.
- We have also come back around to our desire in the original bill to excuse qualified health practitioners from the birth assistant course. Health professions that are trained in administration of medication, and credentialed in Washington State, should be able to simply move into the demonstration of skills at the ten required births.
- Additionally, any other person, besides the credentialed professionals mentioned above, that feels that they already possess sufficient knowledge of the content of a birth assistant training course may take a challenge exam for \$100.