

POLICY ON TITLES

The title “midwife” is reserved under Section 3 of the *Midwives Regulation*. An approved variation of this title will be “Registered Midwife”. An approved abbreviation for this variation will be “R.M.”.

The reserved title in French is translated as “sage-femme”. The approved French variation will be “sage-femme autorisée”, and the approved abbreviation will be “s.f.a.”.

An aboriginal midwife practising aboriginal midwifery as described in the *Midwives Regulation* may use the title “aboriginal midwife”. The approved French variation will be “sage-femme autochtone”.

The use of the word “midwife”, alone or as part of another title, to represent a person not registered with the College of Midwives of BC (CMBC), and use of the word “midwifery” to describe the practice of a person not registered with CMBC, are considered infringements of the reserved title as set out in section 3 of the *Midwives Regulation*.