



Future Directions of Midwifery Education

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Objectives:

- Orient the participants on the CHED initiatives for the midwifery education.
- Present the transition of the Diploma in Midwifery to Bachelor of Science in Midwifery.
- Present the proposed BSM Curriculum



UPDATES ON CHED INITIATIVES

- 1) The revision of PSGs Aligned to K-12 and the issue concerning the NEW General Education (GE) curriculum
- 1) The transition from the Diploma in Midwifery to Bachelor of Science in Midwifery program.



Revision of PSGs Aligned to K-12 and the NEW General Education Curriculum

- The implementation of the K-12 program in the basic education
- Issuance of CMO 20, series 2013, a policy on the implementation of new General Education curriculum in higher education



Revision of PSGs Aligned to K-12 and the NEW General Education Curriculum

- Institutionalization of the Philippines Qualifications Framework (PQF) per Executive Order No. 83 and referencing of national qualification frameworks of the 10 member states in the ASEAN region by 2018- ASEAN Qualification Reference Framework (AQRF)
- Need for higher education to achieve global comparability and respond to the challenges of the upcoming ASEAN integration.



The Challenge

- The labor market is changing. For sometime already, it has become more and more global, open and competitive.
- The demand for competence is growing, and higher education has a crucial role to play in equipping students with the necessary competencies.



The Transition From The Diploma In Midwifery To Bachelor Of Science In Midwifery Program



- The transition of the Diploma in Midwifery to Bachelor of Science in Midwifery program is a way to develop Midwifery studies accordingly to the global tendency of the 21st century.
- With the offering of Bachelor of Science in Midwifery, there has been an additional 51 units of professional and core subjects.



Transition from DM to BSM

- The curriculum stresses the importance of skills training, in the form of (1) diagnostic skills; (2) therapeutic skills; (3) skills needed to manage pregnancies and (4) laboratory skills.



New PSG for Academic Year 2018

- Revision of PSGs aligned to K-12 program and General Education Curriculum
 - CHED Technical Committee on Midwifery Education is working on the new PSG.
 - This PSG will give general information about the future of midwifery education.



New PSG for Academic Year 2018

- The new G.E. subjects has trimmed down the 56-61 units to 36 units
 - 9 units for elective courses
 - 3 units for mandated courses
 - 24 units for G.E. core courses
- Midwifery curriculum for 2018 is focused on the higher knowledge, skills and attitude development that are globally comparable.



General Provisions

- The curriculum provided shall be applicable to graduates of K-12 program. However, CMO 33 s. 2007 can still be implemented until academic year 2017 – 2018.
- Effective academic year 2018 – 2019, straight four year Bachelor of Science in Midwifery program shall be required to all HEIs offering the above mentioned program.



- All HEI's shall have their last graduates of the Diploma in Midwifery program on Academic year 2018 – 2019.
- Midwifery Licensure Examination of these graduates shall be after graduating from the diploma program.
- Previous graduates of the diploma program are entitled to take their licensure examination during the regular PRC schedule until 2021.
- Effective 2022 only Bachelor of Science in Midwifery program graduates shall take their Midwifery Licensure Examination.



Bridge Program to BSM

- There are at least 80 schools offering the BSM in the country.
- Placement of Registered Midwives are based on the documentary and skills Assessment of the BSM applicant.
- Clinical Practicum is an integral part of the curriculum.
- DOH scholarship are available for BSM applicants



Bridge Program for the BSM

- The Bachelor of Science in Midwifery will best prepare the student midwife through extensive clinical practicum to face her responsibilities in the care of mothers and children; handling normal deliveries; early detection of complications, early institution of emergency measures in the absence of a specialist and timely referral.



- This also will make the registered midwives to have career advancements through the Civil Service Commission, Department of Health and the Private Hospitals Organization.
- Engaging them in a next higher position appropriate for their degree (BSM), it will also encourage them to handle their profession with dignity and self-worth.



Implementing Guidelines

- Once the proposed K-12 aligned CHED CMO:
 - The last batch for the two year bridge program will be until A.Y. 2017- 2018.
 - Enrolees for A.Y. 2018- 2019 will be assessed against the new CHED PSG of the midwifery program.
 - Credit transfer maybe applied for training and seminars attended by the enrolees.
- Qualifications of the enrolees:
 - An enrolled student should be registered midwife;
 - He/She has received education and training from a CHED recognized school;



KEY POINTS:

- The Bachelor of Science in Midwifery aims to uplift the midwifery profession.
- This is a preparation made for the PQF and the MRA
- This is in aligned with the Midwife Certification Program
- This will prepare the midwives with the knowledge, skills and attitude that are globally comparable.



Thank you!