



Midwifery Council of New Brunswick
Conseil de l'Ordre des sages-femmes
du Nouveau-Brunswick

THERAPEUTICS COMMITTEE

Terms of Reference

As per the *Midwifery Act* a midwifery therapeutics committee will be established by the Midwifery Council of New Brunswick.

Mandate of the Committee

The therapeutics committee makes recommendations on the following subjects:

- (a) the classification of drugs a midwife may prescribe and administer; and
- (b) the screening and diagnostic tests a midwife may order and interpret.

Membership

This committee will consist of the following representatives appointed by the Council:

- (a) two persons who are registered as midwives in a province or territory of Canada;
- (b) one person who is a member of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of New Brunswick who practices family medicine;
- (c) one person who is a member of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of New Brunswick who practices obstetrical medicine; and
- (d) one person who is a member of the New Brunswick Pharmaceutical Society.

Members may be appointed by their respective regulatory body.

The Midwifery Therapeutics Committee may seek external expert advice as required.

Chair of Committee

The committee shall elect a chair amongst its members.

The Chair shall serve a term of 3 years and may be considered for re-appointment.

Quorum

The majority of the members of the therapeutics committee, including a midwife, a member of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of New Brunswick and a member of the New Brunswick Pharmaceutical Society constitutes a quorum.

Term of Office

Each member of the therapeutics committee shall serve a term not exceeding 3 years.

A member of the therapeutics committee is eligible for reappointment but no person may serve more than 3 consecutive terms on the therapeutics committee. After 3 consecutive terms, a member of the therapeutics committee is eligible for reappointment only after a break of 1 year.

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Decision-making

The recommendations of the therapeutics committee are made by consensus.

Frequency of meetings

The therapeutics committee shall meet at least once per year.

Reporting authority

The recommendations of the therapeutics committee can only be implemented after the approval of the Council and the Minister of Health.

Secretariat

Secretariat support will be provided by the Executive Director of the Midwifery Council of New Brunswick.