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SPECIAL OUTREACH EVENT

- WHO:** Oregon Health Licensing Agency (OHLA)
Board of Direct Entry Midwifery
Public Safety & Peer Review Committee
- WHEN:** November 7, 2009 – 9:30 am to 3:30 pm (break for lunch from noon to 1 pm)
- WHERE:** Monarch Hotel and Conference Center
12566 SE 93rd Ave
Clackamas, OR 97015-9760
(503) 652-1515
- COMMITTEE:** Melissa Cheyney, Linda Glenn and Susan Moray

What is the purpose of the meeting?

During the September 14, 2009, Board of Direct Entry Midwifery meeting, the board directed the Public Safety & Peer Review Committee to review ongoing issues regarding practice standards and risk assessment criteria.

The purpose of the special outreach event is to allow public comment regarding informed consent, birth outcome reporting particularly involving transport and fetal demise issues, and peer review relating to licensed direct entry midwives (LDM). Public comment will be limited to five minutes per speaker, or comments may be submitted in writing.

The following are questions to be considered:

1. Should the board require specific and descriptive informed consent, including expanded consent when home birth is not optimal due to risk factors including, vaginal birth after cesarean, Malpresentation (breech) and multiple gestation?
2. What is the best method for initiating and providing the most valuable information to consumers?
3. As a consumer, what information would be useful prior to accepting care from a licensed direct entry midwife?
4. How can peer review statistics be used more effectively?
5. How can peer review statistics be accurately reviewed and assessed?
6. What other peer review data should be collected that would be useful in regulating the profession?
7. Should LDMs be required to report all transports to OHLA? Why or why not?
8. Should LDMs be required to report all fetal demises to OHLA when they are the primary care provider? Why or why not?
9. What alternatives can be used to report transports and fetal demises?

Is the public or licensees allowed to attend the meeting?

Yes. Members of the public are invited and encouraged to be in attendance at all board committee meetings. Persons wishing to comment are asked to register on the sign-in roster prior to the meeting and indicate the agenda topic(s) they wish to discuss. Please wait for the designated chairperson to recognize the public prior to commenting on issues.

Who do I contact if I have questions or need special accommodations?

For questions or requests contact a board specialist at (503) 373-2049. All members are asked to please give at least 24-hour notice if they are unable to attend the meeting so arrangements may be made.