Midwives' Association of Washington State



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Job Opening: Accreditation Coordinator Midwifery Education Accreditation Council (MEAC)

MEAC is seeking a part-time Accreditation Coordinator to work in the Ann Arbor office. MEAC will consider hiring a candidate who is only able to work at a distance, however local candidates are preferred.

The Accreditation Coordinator will organize and oversee activities related to initial accreditation, renewal of accreditation, maintenance of accreditation and substantive change applications. This individual must exercise independent judgment, discretion, and confidentiality at all times during the accreditation process.

Click here for the full job posting on the MEAC web site.

Please Help Fund Scholarships for Midwives and Students of Color to Attend the Upcoming International Center for Traditional Childbearing (ICTC) Conference

At the CPM Symposium last March, Midwives of Color made specific requests of those who want to work as allies to end disparities in birth outcomes.

One request was to help with scholarships for midwives and students of color.

The Anti-Racism and Anti-Oppression Work in Midwifery (AROM) group that formed at the Symposium is responding to that challenge with a fundraising campaign to create scholarships for midwives and students of color to attend the upcoming <u>International Center for Traditional Childbearing (ICTC) Conference</u> October 19-21 in Miami Florida.

Support midwives and students of color by making a contribution today.

Birth Workers of Color Conference Scholarship Fund

DONATE NOW

http://aromidwifery.wordpress.com/fundraising-for-ictc-2012/

Reminder! Miles For Midwives 2012 Sunday, October 21st at Lincoln Park

It's not too early to register!

Midwives and other birth professionals in the greater Puget Sound area can participate as sponsors. Please join us as a sponsor or friend today!



Birth Story: Ina May Gaskin & The Farm Midwives at Bastyr University

Save this date: Thursday, October 4 for local Premiere Screening of this audience award winning documentary at the 2012 LA Film Festival. Proceeds to benefit the the Myers Midwifery Scholarship Fund and the Simkin Center Leadership Fund. More information and registration>



Perinatal Support Group Facilitator Training at Simkin Center

Innovative Approach to Leading Successful Support Groups in Your Community Thursday-Sunday, September 20-23, 2012

Thursday: 6:30pm-9:30pm. Friday-Saturday: 9am-5pm. Sunday: 9am-4pm More information and registration>

Reminder! Join the MAWS Board of Directors! Nominate Another Midwife or Consumer?

The next MAWS Conference and Annual Meeting is coming up November 9th. A few members of our current Board of Directors will be running for re-election, but some changes are afoot, and we want to invite you to consider joining us. The work is fun, inspiring and satisfying!

Board members take an active role in the work of MAWS. The Board typically meets once per month. Most meetings are in the Seattle area, though members can call in to meetings--so it is possible to join from a distance. Board members are expected to participate in committee work.

If you're interested in getting on this fall's ballot, please <u>email your name and bio</u> (or that of a colleague, with their permission). Board members must be active members of MAWS--whether professional or consumers.

Nominations must be received by Tuesday, September 25, 2012.

Response to New AAP Statement on Circumcision

Click here to read the response from Doctors Opposing Circumcision.

Doctors Without Borders "Urgently in Need of Midwives"

From an email to MAWS from Doctors Without Borders:



Doctors Without Borders/Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) is an international emergency medical organization and we are in constant need of dedicated aid

organization and we are in constant need of dedicated aid and field workers, both medical and non-medical, to continue the work that we do. MSF regularly holds free recruitment info sessions in cities across the U.S. and will soon be visiting both Seattle and Portland.

The first recruitment session is on Tuesday September 18th from 7:00pm-8:30pm at the REI Seattle, located at 222 Yale Avenue N, Seattle, WA 98109. For more information about this event, and to RSVP, click here.

The second recruitment session is on Thursday September 20th from 7:00pm-8:30pm in the 200 Market Building lobby level conference room, located at 200 SW Market St, Portland, OR 97201. For more information about this event, and to RSVP, click here.

All are welcome to attend. We are looking for a variety of positions, not only doctors, including anesthesiologists, midwives, orthopedic surgeons, logisticians, and administrative staff. Midwives are urgently needed and we would appreciate it if you could spread the word about our event to any interested staff, members of your organization, or students.

Click here for a poster for the Seattle event. Click here for a poster for the Portland event.

Save the Date!

MAWS FALL CONFERENCE AND ANNUAL MEETING 2012 Friday, November 9, 2012 Seattle Pacific University

