

**PUBLIC HEALTH CODE (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 368 of 1978**

**333.17111 Midwife; prohibited acts; administration of prescription drugs or medications; rules.**

Sec. 17111. (1) A midwife shall not do any of the following:

- (a) Except as provided in subsection (2), administer prescription drugs or medications.
- (b) Use vacuum extractors or forceps.
- (c) Prescribe medications.
- (d) Perform surgical procedures other than episiotomies or repairs of perineal lacerations.
- (e) Any other act, task, or function prohibited in rules promulgated under this part.

(2) Beginning on the effective date of the rules promulgated under subsection (3), a midwife who has appropriate pharmacology training as established by rule by the board, and who holds a standing prescription from a health care provider with prescriptive authority, may administer any of the following in accordance with the rules promulgated under subsection (3):

- (a) Prophylactic vitamin K to a newborn, either orally or through intramuscular injection.
- (b) Antihemorrhagic agents to a postpartum mother after the birth of the baby.
- (c) Local anesthetic for the repair of lacerations to a mother.
- (d) Oxygen to a mother or newborn.
- (e) Prophylactic eye agent to a newborn.
- (f) Prophylactic Rho(D) immunoglobulin to a mother.
- (g) Agents for group B streptococcus prophylaxis, recommended by the federal centers for disease control and prevention, to a mother.
- (h) Intravenous fluids, excluding blood products, to a mother.
- (i) Any other drug or medication prescribed by a health care provider with prescriptive authority that is consistent with the scope of practice of midwifery and is authorized by the board by rule.

(3) The department, in consultation with the board, shall promulgate rules concerning the administration of prescription drugs or medications described in subsection (2) by midwives.

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