

Petition to the Legislative Assembly calling for Improved Access to Midwifery Services in Saskatchewan

We, the undersigned residents of the Province of Saskatchewan, wish to bring to your attention the following:

- Midwifery provides a model of care that is individualized, community-centred, and cost-effective;
- Waitlists for midwifery care in Saskatchewan are extensive and many people who wish to access midwifery services are unable to do so;
- Midwife-facilitated births amounted to only 2.9% of babies born in 2019, with demand far exceeding the limited supply of midwives in our province;
- According to the Canadian Association of Midwives, 53% of people seeking midwifery care in Saskatoon are turned away due to lengthy waitlists;
- Expanding midwifery services makes sense for pregnant people and families, and it makes sense for our province's fiscal wellbeing.

We, in the prayer that reads as follows, respectfully request that the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan:

Call on the Government of Saskatchewan to introduce a post-secondary midwifery training program in the province.

Name (print)

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Signature

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**TO ENSURE THIS PETITION IS TABLED IN THE LEGISLATURE, please return to:
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