



26 transfer of patients needing a higher acuity of care or  
27 emergency services. The policy must require the use of an  
28 emergency plan of care form signed by the patient before  
29 admission to intrapartum care. The emergency plan of care form  
30 must include all of the following:

31 a. Name and address of the closest hospital with maternity  
32 and newborn services.

33 b. Conditions for which transfer of care may be necessary.  
34 Transfer-of-care conditions must follow board regulations.

35 c. Ambulance or other emergency medical services that may  
36 be used to transport the patient in the event of an emergency.

37 2. Once transfer of care is determined necessary by the  
38 certified nurse midwife, he or she must document the following  
39 information on the patient's emergency plan of care form:

40 a. Name, date of birth, and condition of the patient.

41 b. Gravity or parity of the patient and gestational age  
42 and condition of the fetus or newborn infant.

43 c. Reason for the transfer of care.

44 d. Description of the situation, relevant clinical  
45 background, assessment, and recommendation.

46 e. Planned mode of transfer to the receiving facility.

47 f. Expected time of arrival at the receiving facility.

48 3.a. Before transfer of the patient, the certified nurse  
49 midwife must provide the receiving provider with a verbal  
50 summary of the information listed in subparagraph 2.

51 b. Upon transfer of the patient to the receiving facility,  
52 the certified nurse midwife must provide the receiving provider  
53 with the patient's emergency plan of care form.

54 4. The certified nurse midwife shall provide the receiving  
55 provider with the patient's prenatal records, including patient  
56 history, prenatal laboratory results, sonograms, prenatal care  
57 flow sheets, maternal fetal medical reports, and labor flow  
58 charting and current notations.

59 5. The board shall establish transfer-of-care conditions,  
60 monitor for excessive transfers, conduct reviews of adverse  
61 maternal and neonatal outcomes, and monitor the licensure of  
62 certified nurse midwives engaged in autonomous practice ~~must~~  
63 ~~have a written patient transfer agreement with a hospital and a~~  
64 ~~written referral agreement with a physician licensed under~~  
65 ~~chapter 458 or chapter 459 to engage in nurse midwifery.~~

66 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.