

Registered Midwives are Primary Care Providers in the Alberta health care system. They provide comprehensive care to their clients throughout pregnancy, labor, birth, postpartum, and in sexual and reproductive care in a variety of community and hospital settings.

CMA registrants can prescribe Schedule 1 drugs incidental to the practice of midwifery. There are a few exceptions. CMA *Standard of Practice # 8 Prescribing and Administering Drugs* ([here](#)) outlines the entry-to-practice expectations for midwives, on the chart below.

Registered Midwives CAN as per the *Health Professions Restricted Activity Regulation, 2023 (HPRAR)* s. 34:

PRESCRIBE	ADMINISTER
All Schedule 1 drugs incidental to the practice of Midwifery INCLUDING:	All Schedule 1 drugs incidental to the practice of Midwifery INCLUDING:
Vaccines: Hepatitis B, Measles Mumps and Rubella (MMR)	Vaccines: Hepatitis B, Measles Mumps and Rubella (MMR)
Uterotonic Drugs for: Postpartum Hemorrhage Placental Expulsion (outside of induction and augmentation of labour)	Uterotonic Drugs for: Postpartum Hemorrhage Placental Expulsion (outside of induction and augmentation of labour)
RhD Immune Globulin	RhD Immune Globulin
Anesthetic Gases (including nitrous oxide) for anesthesia and sedation	Anesthetic Gases (including nitrous oxide) for anesthesia and sedation
Consultant to prescribe: Controlled substances Uterotonics for Induction and Augmentation Additional vaccines	Need advanced authorization for administering: Controlled substances Uterotonics for Induction and Augmentation Additional vaccines

Midwifery students, New Registrants and supervised internationally educated midwives will prescribe and administer Schedule 1 drugs according to *Section 36 of the HPRAR*.

References

College of Midwives of Alberta (2022, Dec 2). *Standards of Practice #7: Prescribing and Administering Drugs*

Government of Alberta (2023, April 2). *Health Professions Restricted Activity Regulation. Sections 34, 35, 36.*