



**1985**  
Protests calling for regulation of midwifery  
Source: CBC Archives, CBLT Newshour, July 16, 1985

**December 31, 1993**  
Midwifery Act, 1991 and Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991 proclaimed



**January 1, 1994**  
College of Midwives established along with 20 other colleges  
Source: The Globe and Mail, January 1, 1994



**2000**  
Canadian Midwifery Regulators Council established

**100**

**1997**  
100<sup>th</sup> midwife registered at the College

**1996**  
First graduates of the College's prior learning program



**1992**  
Federation of Health Regulatory Colleges of Ontario founded

**1995**  
College's first Sexual Abuse Prevention Plan implemented

**January 28, 1994**  
First baby born with midwives in a hospital in Ontario  
Source: Health Times, February 1994



**1999**  
First Quality Assurance Program completed

**September 26-29, 2000**  
College held its first Discipline hearing

**2002**  
International Midwifery Pre-registration Program began

**2006**  
Creation of the Canadian Midwifery Registration Exam



**2007**  
500<sup>th</sup> midwife registered

**500**

**January 22, 2003**  
College had its first Fitness to Practise Committee hearing

**March 3, 2009**  
College launched its online public register

**2009**  
Online registration renewal begins

**December 15, 2009**  
Midwifery scope expansion



**October 19, 2012**  
Registration Regulation updated to add the Inactive Class

**January 22, 2010**  
Antibiotics added to the Designated Drugs Regulation for prescribing and administering by midwives on their own authority

**2014**  
Toronto Birth Centre and Ottawa Birth Centre opened

**2015**  
1,000<sup>th</sup> midwife registered

**1,000**

**2015**  
Three additional health colleges established in Ontario

**April 1, 2013**  
Two additional health colleges established in Ontario.

**March 3, 2016**  
College adopted a new transparency initiative, increasing the information available on its public register

**June 1, 2018**  
Implementation of the new Professional Standards for Midwives

**March 11, 2020**  
COVID-19 declared a pandemic. Midwives, along with many health care workers across the province, continue to provide health care services during this challenging time

**2017-2020**  
Strategic priorities:  
• Modernization of Legislation and Regulations,  
• Implementation of Risk-based Regulation,  
• Public Participation and Engagement

**November 27, 2020**  
New Quality Assurance Regulation in effect.

**2021**  
College adopted Equity as a Guiding Principle

**2022**  
1,500<sup>th</sup> midwife registered

**1,500**

**2021-2026**  
Strategic priorities:  
• Regulation that enables the midwifery profession to evolve  
• Effective use of data to identify and act on existing and emerging risks  
• Building engagement and fostering trust

**August 31, 2023**  
Registration Regulation updated to add the Emergency Class

**November 29, 2022**  
Launch of the Orientation and Assessment Pilot Program for internationally educated midwives

**2023**  
1,600<sup>th</sup> midwife registered

**1,600**

**January 1, 2024**  
30 years of regulating midwifery in the public interest



College of Midwives of Ontario

Ordre des sages-femmes de l'Ontario