

## Target Group:



## Occupational Profile

# Nurse Midwife

Standard Occupational Code 29-1161.00

## What They Do

Diagnose and coordinate all aspects of the birthing process, either independently or as part of a healthcare team. May provide well-woman gynecological care. Must have specialized, graduate nursing education.

## Is This For You?

**Work Interests** are described in the following categories (compatible with Holland's Model). People who tend to succeed in this career are:

**Social** – involves working with, communicating with, and teaching people.

**Investigative** – involves working with ideas, and require an extensive amount of thinking.

**Work Values** are aspects of work that are satisfying to you. The following work values are generally associated with this career:

**Relationships** – allow employees to provide service to others and work with co-workers in a friendly non-competitive way.

**Achievement** – results oriented and allow employees to use their strongest abilities, giving them a feeling of accomplishment.

**Independence** – allow employees to work on their own and make decisions. .

**Abilities** reflect a person's aptitude to acquire skills and knowledge. The following abilities are important for success in the career:

- Deductive Reasoning
- Oral Comprehension
- Oral Expression
- Problem Sensitivity

## Skills You Need

- Active Listening
- Critical Thinking
- Social Perceptiveness
- Speaking
- Active Learning
- Monitoring
- Reading Comprehension
- Service Orientation

## Education & Training

Nurse midwives need **at least a master's degree in midwifery or related program after becoming a registered nurse.** Nurse midwives are required to become certified and licensed by the South Dakota Board of Nursing.

## Requirements for the National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)

	Median Skill Level
Applied Mathematics	5
Reading for Information	4
Locating Information	4

## Where They Work

The South Dakota Industries which employ the largest number of nurse midwives are:

- General Medical and Surgical Hospitals
- Offices of Physicians
- Birthing Centers

## Employment & Wages\*

2014 Workers	2024 Workers	Numeric Change	Percent Change	Median Annual Wage
5,300	6,600	1,300	25%	\$92,510

## Additional References

Labor Market Information Center

[www.dlr.gov/mic](http://www.dlr.gov/mic)

Career OneStop

[www.careeronestop.org](http://www.careeronestop.org)

O\*Net Online

[www.onetcenter.org](http://www.onetcenter.org)

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[www.myskillsmyfuture.org](http://www.myskillsmyfuture.org)

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