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Scottish Midwifery Led Network

The Scottish Midwifery Led Network was launched in an event jointly supported by NHS Education for Scotland, NHS Highland and the Royal College of Midwives in October 2017 in Stirling.

Jaki Lambert, HoM in Highland, set up the network and is the chair for the network.

The aims and purpose of the network are:

1. To provide a peer support and sharing network for midwives currently providing care in midwife led care settings or interested in moving to provide care in midwife led care settings in Scotland. This includes midwives working in alongside and freestanding midwife led units and midwives that provide homebirth care.
2. To provide a forum where midwives from across Scotland can coordinate and share developments in order to continually drive quality improvement and share good practice and to ensure that there is consistency between different services.

The nature of the membership of the network is that members will be based all over Scotland, including in remote and rural areas. All meetings will therefore be set up to ensure that video conferencing is possible to reduce the need for travel in person.

The first meeting is planned for 5th September 2018, subsequent meetings dates are still to be confirmed.

Network membership will be open to any midwives working in Scotland who wish to join, though attendance at the RCM offices is limited to a maximum of 30 attendees in person. For network members who wish to attend in person, the RCM has a limited budget to support those with significant distances to travel with travel funding. Travel funding will be determined through direct request to the RCM Scotland team via angela.boyle@rcm.org.uk

Each meeting will be from 10am – 4pm. The first day will be an introductory meeting enabling the members to get to know each other and Jaki Lambert, who will be facilitating the network.



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The network will then devise their own key agenda items that they would like to explore over the following meetings and any work that they would like to progress electronically between meetings.

If you think you would like to join Scottish Midwifery Led Network you will need to be a current full member of the Royal College of Midwives and to complete the joining form and return it to angela.boyle@rcm.org.uk by 17th August 2018.