

To learn more

Organizations

These groups provide training, educational materials, or advocacy for midwives and health workers in many parts of the world.

Averting Maternal Death and Disability (AMDD)

Works with partners around the world to improve access to and quality of emergency obstetric and newborn care. Some training materials are available on their website.

Heilbrunn Department of Population and Family Health
Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University
60 Haven Avenue, B3
New York, NY 10032, USA
www.publichealth.columbia.edu/research/averting-maternal-death-and-disability-amdd
amdd@columbia.edu

Childbirth Graphics

Sells educational tools including books, posters, and models for teaching about pregnancy, birth, and women's health.

PO Box 21207
Waco, TX 76702, USA
tel: 1 855 510 6730
fax: 1 888 977 7653
sales@wrsgroup.com
orders@childbirthgraphics.com
www.childbirthgraphics.com

Health Books International (formerly Teaching-aids at Low Cost, TALC)

Resources for health workers and educators, available in multiple languages.

c/o Practical Action Publishing
25 Albert Street
Rugby, Warwickshire
CV21 2SD
tel: 44 (0) 1926 634501
help@healthbooksinternational.org
www.healthbooksinternational.org

International Confederation of Midwives

Sells educational tools including books, posters, and models for teaching about pregnancy, birth, and women's health.

Koninginnegracht 60
2514 AEZH, The Netherlands
tel: 31 (0) 70 3060520
fax: 31 (0) 70 3555651
info@internationalmidwives.org
www.internationalmidwives.org

International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF)

IPPF promotes, supports, and delivers family planning and sexual and reproductive health care worldwide. With offices around the world, they also publish information on all aspects of family planning. For more information or to find a local office, contact:

4 Newhams Row
London SE1 3UZ, UK
tel: 44 (0) 20 7939 8200
fax: 44 (0) 20 7939 8300
www.ippf.org

Ipas

Works to prevent death and injury from unsafe abortion. Creates and distributes training materials, MVA syringes and cannula, and other equipment. Ipas has offices in many countries around the world. For information or to find a local office, contact:

P.O. Box 9990
Chapel Hill, NC 27515, USA
tel: 1 919 967 7052
contactus@ipas.org
www.ipas.org

MSI Reproductive Choices

Provides information and services for sexual health to people around the world. Contact them to find a local office.

1 Conway Street
Fitzroy Square
London W1T 6LP, UK
tel : 44 (0) 20 7636 6200
services@msichoices.org.uk
www.msichoices.org.uk

PATH

Creates simple, affordable, and easy to use health care tools, and helps to improve local health systems around the world. Some of the tools they have created include simple test kits for HIV and other STIs and illnesses, easy-to-use scales, delivery kits, family planning, and syringes that can only be used one time.

2201 Westlake Avenue, Suite 200
Seattle, WA 98109, USA
tel: 1 206 285 3500
fax: 1 206 285 6619
info@path.org
www.path.org

Pathfinder International

Works with local governments and organizations to make family planning and women's health services available through services, advocacy, trainings and support.

9 Galen Street, Suite 217
Watertown, MA 02472, USA
tel: 1 617 924 7200
fax: 1 617 924 3833
communications@pathfinder.org
www.pathfinder.org

White Ribbon Alliance for Safe Motherhood

A network of organizations and people who are working to prevent death and injury of women and babies during pregnancy and birth. There are local offices in many parts of the world.

1100 17th Street NW, Suite 800
Washington, DC 20036, USA
tel: 1 202 204 0324
info@whiteribbonalliance.org
www.whiteribbonalliance.org

28 September

International campaign for the decriminalization of abortion. Tools for organizing, case studies and ongoing online conversation about the right to safe abortion.

www.september28.org

Books and more

This is a short list of books and other materials that are useful for learning. Hesperian distributes several of the books listed on this page (see <https://store.hesperian.org/ctgy/midwifery.html>).

A Book for Midwives

S. Klein, S. Miller, and F. Thomson, Published by Hesperian

Available in English, French, Haitian Kreyol, Nepali, Spanish, and Urdu.

Available online in English, French, Haitian Kreyol, and Spanish at [hesperian.org](https://store.hesperian.org).

The Childbirth Picture Book

F. Hoskin, Published by Hesperian

Available in Arabic, English, French, Spanish, and Urdu.

Healthy Women, Healthy Mothers: An Information Guide

A. Arkutu, Family Care International, Inc.

[Out of print, but find it used.]

Heart and Hands: A Midwives Guide to Pregnancy and Birth, 5th edition, 2019

E. Davis, Ten Speed Press

<https://elizabethdavis.com>

Life-Saving Skills: Manual for Midwives

M.A. Marshal, and S. Buffington, American College of Nurse Midwives

*2008 edition available here:
<https://www.midwife.org/ACNM-Publications>*

Home Based Life Saving Skills

S. Buffington, L. Sibley, D. Beck, D. Armbruster, American College of Nurse Midwives

*2010 edition available here:
<https://www.midwife.org/ACNM-Publications>*

Managing Complications in Pregnancy and Childbirth: a guide for midwives and doctors—2nd ed.

World Health Organization, UNICEF, United Nations Population Fund, World Bank

Available in English:
<https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/9789241565493>

Also available in Spanish:
<https://iris.paho.org/handle/10665.2/51987>

Midwifery Today Magazine

PO Box 2672
Eugene, OR 97402, USA
tel: (1-541) 344-7438
inquiries@midwiferytoday.com
www.midwiferytoday.com

The Disabled Woman's Guide to Pregnancy and Birth

J. Rogers, Demos Health

[Out of print, but find it used.]

Obstetrics Illustrated

K. Hanretty, Elsevier Books

(several editions available, at a range of prices)
<https://www.us.elsevierhealth.com/>

Spiritual Midwifery

Ina May Gaskin, ReadHowYouWant

and

Ina May's Guide to Childbirth

Ina May Gaskin, Bantam

PO BOX 259

Summertown, TN 38483, USA

tel: (1-931) 964-2590

Douglas@thefarmcommunity.com

www.farmcatalog.com

Varney's Midwifery (multiple editions)

Various authors, Jones and Bartlett Learning

Different editions available at a wide range of prices.

<https://www.jblearning.com/>

The Anti-shock Garment

The Anti-shock Garment is a rubber suit that closes tightly around a woman's lower body. It stops hemorrhage during pregnancy and birth, from ectopic pregnancy, from ruptured uterus, or from other causes, and treats shock by sending blood from the legs to the brain, heart, and lungs. See:

<http://www.safemotherhood.ucsf.edu/nasg/>

or contact:

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Online resources

Global Health Media

Visual instruction through videos that teach important skills for mother and baby health, such as delivering the placenta, helping newborn babies breathe, how counting breaths can diagnose illness, and how to help mothers breastfeed.

<https://globalhealthmedia.org/videos/>

Helping Babies Breathe at Birth training video:

<https://globalhealthmedia.org/portfolio-items/helping-babies-breathe-at-birth/>

The Global Library of Women's Medicine

Texts, videos, tutorials and other types of material, designed for a range of health workers, including midwives. Link is for materials on safer motherhood.

https://www.glowm.com/safer_motherhood

VWR International

A supplier of laboratory products, including special paper and tape for use in sterilizing tools and equipment.

<https://www.vwr.com/>