

1. Is the updated content of the draft revised Safety and quality guidelines for private practising midwives helpful, clear and relevant? Why or why not?

The revised version is clear, easy to read and understand. Some consumers may still need assistance or interpreters to help them understand the guidelines and legal implications, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

2. Is there any content that needs to be changed or removed in the draft revised Safety and quality guidelines for private practising midwives?

There is no content that is contentious or needs to be changed or removed.

3. Is there any new content that needs to be added in the draft revised Safety and quality guidelines for private practising midwives? Why or why not?

The guidelines are comprehensive and contain all the information required.

4. Would the proposed updates result in any potential negative or unintended effects for women and families, including members of the community accessing PPM services who may be more vulnerable to harm? If so, please describe them.

The guidelines do not contain any information that may result in unintended consequences for women or families.

5. Would the proposed updates result in any potential negative or unintended effects for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Peoples? If so, please describe them.

There is no information or requirements that appear to result in unintended negative consequences. It is important that consideration is given to cultural safety and interpretation services, to ensure Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander women fully comprehend and understand the guidelines.

6. Would the proposed updates result in any potential negative or unintended effects for PPMs, other health practitioners or stakeholders? If so, please describe them.

No

7. Do you have any other comments on the draft revised Safety and quality guidelines for private practising midwives?

The revision of the guidelines has resulted in a more concise document that better reflects the PPMs role and scope of practice, clearly defines the requirements of PPMs and expectations for education and skill acquisition, is aligned with national and state legislative requirements and incorporates the principles of best practice regulation to ensure the best outcomes for women and families.

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