

Health Professionals (ACT Nursing and Midwifery Board Standards Statements) Approval 2008 (No 2)

Notifiable Instrument NI2008-376

made under the

Health Professionals Regulation 2004, section 134 (Standards Statement)

1 Name of instrument

This instrument is the Health Professionals (ACT Nursing and Midwifery Board Standards Statements) Approval 2008 (No 2).

2 Commencement

This instrument commences on the day after notification.

3 Standard Statements

In accordance with Regulation 134 (3) of the Health Professionals Regulation 2004 the ACT Nursing and Midwifery Board has approved the following Standards Statements.

The Health Professionals (ACT Nursing and Midwifery Board Standards Statements) Approval 2006 (No 2) - Notifiable Instrument NI2006-216 is revoked.

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President

2 September 2008

ACT NURSING AND MIDWIFERY BOARD

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Standards Statements issued by the ACT Nursing and Midwifery Board are designed to raise awareness of the standard of practice required from a nurse or midwife to be competent to practise, or to help the nurse or midwife improve his or her suitability to practice. The information contained in these statements is to be used as a guideline for nurses and midwives to follow and reflects the interpretation of the *Health Professionals Act 2004* by the ACT Nursing and Midwifery Board. Non-adherence or breach of the statements may be grounds for a finding of a breach of the Act.

Disclaimer

In the case of any conflict or discrepancy between this document and legislation, the legislation prevails.

PREFACE

The ACT Nursing and Midwifery Board develops standards statements to guide nurses and midwives on standards of practice, legal and ethical issues. The Board believes that these standards reflect the high standards of service and care expected in the ACT. The legislation governing practice in the Territory is the *Health Professionals Act 2004*. In the case of any conflict or discrepancy between the standards statements and Act, the Act prevails.

Comments about the policies would be welcomed and should be directed to the Board's Chief Executive Officer.

Members of the Board hope you will find these statements useful.

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1. Code of Ethics for Midwives

The Board endorses the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Council's Code of Ethics for Midwives in Australia, published in August 2008. Midwives are required to comply with the standards of practice included in that publication.

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2. Code of Professional Conduct for Midwives

The Board endorses the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Council's Code of Professional Conduct for Midwives in Australia, published in August 2008. Midwives are required to comply with the standards of practice included in that publication.

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3. National Competency Standards for the Midwife

The Board endorses the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Council's National Competency Standards for the Midwife, published in January 2006. Midwives are required to comply with the standards of practice included in that publication.

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4. Code of Ethics for Nurses

The Board endorses the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Council's Code of Ethics for Nurses in Australia, published in August 2008. Nurses are required to comply with the standards of practice included in that publication.

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5. Code of Professional Conduct for Nurses

The Board endorses the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Council's Code of Professional Conduct for Nurses in Australia, published in August 2008. Nurses Midwives are required to comply with the standards of practice included in that publication.

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6. National Competency Standards for the Enrolled Nurse

The Board endorses the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Council's National Competency Standards for the Enrolled Nurse, published in October 2002. Enrolled Nurses are required to comply with the standards of practice included in that publication.

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7. National Competency Standards for the Nurse Practitioner

The Board endorses the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Council's National Competency Standards for the Nurse Practitioner, published in January 2006. Nurse Practitioners are required to comply with the standards of practice included in that publication.

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8. National Competency Standards for the Registered Nurse

The Board endorses the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Council's National Competency Standards for the Registered Nurse, published in January 2006. Registered Nurses are required to comply with the standards of practice included in that publication.