WAC 246-834-450 Inactive license. (1) A licensed midwife may obtain an inactive license by meeting the requirements of chapter 246-12 WAC, Part 4.

(2) An inactive license must be renewed every year on the midwife's birthday according to WAC 246-12-100 and by paying the fee required under WAC 246-834-990.

(3) A midwife with an inactive license may return to active status.

(a) A midwife with an inactive license for three years or less who wishes to return to active status must meet the requirements of chapter 246-12 WAC, Part 4.

(b) A midwife with an inactive license for more than three years, who has been in active practice in another United States jurisdiction or territory or other location approved by the department and wishes to return to active status must:

(i) Submit verification of active practice; and

(ii) Meet the requirements of chapter 246-12 WAC, Part 4.

(c) A midwife with an inactive license for more than three years but less than five, who has not been in active practice and wishes to return to active status must:

(i) Work as a birth assistant under the supervision of a department-approved preceptor for a minimum of ten births; and

(ii) Meet the requirements of chapter 246-12 WAC, Part 4.

(d) A midwife with an inactive license for more than five years who has not been in active practice and wishes to return to active status must:

(i) Work as a birth assistant under the supervision of a department-approved preceptor for a minimum of fifteen births;

(ii) Retake and successfully pass the Washington state licensing examination; and

(iii) Meet the requirements of chapter 246-12 WAC, Part 4.

(4) A proposed preceptor shall:

(a) Hold an active license without restriction, current discipline, or conditions as a midwife under chapter 18.50 RCW, a certified nurse midwife under chapter 18.79 RCW, an allopathic physician under chapter 18.71 RCW, or an osteopathic physician under chapter 18.57 RCW;

(b) Have actively practiced at least three consecutive years or attended at least one hundred fifty births; and

(c) Have demonstrated ability and skill to provide safe, quality care.

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