1. **Introduction**

Section 52 of the Nurses and Midwives Regulations (2012) states that

“(1) No registered nurse or enrolled nurse may practise nursing on his own account or in partnership with another except with the prior written consent of the Board.

(2) No registered midwife may practise midwifery on his own account or in partnership with another except with the prior written consent of the Board.”

2. **Definition**

Independent nursing/midwifery practice is defined as the provision of an act of nursing or midwifery by a registered nurse (RN) or registered midwife (RMW), on her own account or in partnership with another person within her scope of practice.

3. **Application criteria**

The RN/ RMW is required to obtain prior written approval from the SNB, if he/she is practising nursing/midwifery on his/her own account or in partnership with another nurse/midwife. The nurse/midwife shall possess:

3.1 a current full registration with the Singapore Nursing Board (SNB);

3.2 the relevant general and/or specialist qualifications and a minimum of 5 years post-registration experience in a hospital setting/ any healthcare institution approved by the Board; or in the provision of such nursing services, of which 3 years must be in the relevant specialised area; and

3.3 a current certification in Basic Cardiac Life Support and Automated External Defibrillator (AED).

3.4 all applications must be submitted at least 3 months before the commencement of the service.

3.5 all applicants must provide evidence of collaboration with a medical doctor in order to provide medical support in case of emergencies.

For enquiries and applications, please email to SNB@spb.gov.sg with the heading “Independent Nursing/ Midwifery Practise”.