



## Home Birth Supplies Program Updates

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### NEW Digital Store for the Product Distribution Center (PDC)

The PDC is updating their website which is used by midwives to order equipment, medications, and supplies to support home births.

In alignment with provincial cybersecurity measures, each midwife is now going to need a Business BCeID to log in to the new digital store. The updated online digital store will launch later this year. A Business BCeID account provides secure access to online government services [BCeID - Home](#).

1. Midwives will need a Business BCeID account to login to the new PDC digital store.
2. The purpose of having a business BCeID is to securely access BC Government services, such as the new PDC digital store.
3. As midwives are not consistently registered as business entities, not all midwives will be able to set up their own individual Business BCeID accounts.
4. Therefore, the principal or an authorized official of the organization will need to register for a business BCeID. Each HA (Health Authority) is set up as a business under which the midwives can register.
5. Once your Business BCeID account is approved you will then use the link above to access the portal.
6. The process to grant midwives access to the PDC and to remove access will continue as is currently in place. The [PDC Add /Remove form](#) will continue to be used by the PDC to open and close accounts at the direction of the health authority HBSP leads.
7. The process for [approving reusable equipment orders](#) remains unaffected and will continue as is.

### Key Takeaways

- This new site will be a modern digital store with quick tools for tracking and account updates. It will be mobile-friendly and accessible with the same great customer service team and support.
- You can continue to log in as usual during the transition period and you will not lose access to ordering through the program.
- Work is underway by your site's HBSP leads to develop a process to support you with getting set up with a Business BCeID login.
- Check your health authority email address and watch for instructions on completing your Business BCeID set up.
- If you do not have access to the HBSP then you do not need to get set up with a Business BCeID account.

## New to the Program? Have questions?

Information for midwives about the HBSP can be found on the PSBC website:

<https://www.perinitalservicesbc.ca/our-services/public-health-primary-care/home-birth-supplies-program>

For joining the program:

<http://www.perinitalservicesbc.ca/Documents/Resources/HBSP/Adding-care-provider-process.pdf>

<http://www.perinitalservicesbc.ca/Documents/Resources/HBSP/Add-remove-care-provider-algorithm.pdf>

For leaving the program at a site or upon retirement:

<http://www.perinitalservicesbc.ca/Documents/Resources/HBSP/Removing-care-provider-process.pdf>

<http://www.perinitalservicesbc.ca/Documents/Resources/HBSP/Add-remove-care-provider-algorithm.pdf>

## Program Related Reminders

Pay careful attention to how an item is sold when ordering items on the PDC shopping website. Check if it is sold by the case or by the each, as a single item, to ensure you are ordering the amount you need.

PDC medications are shipped using ambient shipping. Note that the shipping company cannot provide this service in some rural and remote communities. Plan ahead of winter cold and summer heat to order the medications you need if you live in one of these areas. [Bulletin: Shipping and Temperature Control of Medications](#)

The [Midwifery Best Practices in Materials Management Course](#) through UBC CPD is a free one hour course created to support midwives to:

- Describe the safe storage, transport and processing of reusable medical devices, medical waste, sharps and human tissue
- Identify workflow set-ups that observes IPAC principles for clinic and homecare
- Describe special considerations for the storage and transport of medications and compressed gas
- Provide orientation to the Home Birth Supplies Program

HBSP provides materials management items to support your clinical practice including disposal buckets for placentas and medication and biohazard labels.

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