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## **Joan Slager Named to ACNM Fellowship**

**SILVER SPRING, MD - Joan Slager CNM, MS, FACNM**, was inducted into the Fellowship of the American College of Nurse-Midwives (FACNM) at the ACNM's 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting in Chicago, Illinois, this May.

Joan Slager graduated from the Frontier School of Midwifery and Family Nursing in 1991 (CNEP Class 1) and completed her Master of Science in Nursing at Case Western University in 1993. In 1993, she helped to establish Bronson Women's Service in Kalamazoo, Michigan which is now Michigan's largest midwifery service. Ms. Slager became the practice director in 1995.

Ms. Slager is a faculty member of the Midwifery Business Institute and is best known as the ACNM's billing and coding expert. She is a Certified Professional Coder and has been a contributing editor and author to the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> editions of the ACNM publication: *Getting Paid: Billing, Coding and Payment for Midwifery Services*. She was the Editor for the third edition of the Service Directors Network publication: *Administrative Manual for Nurse-Midwifery Practices*. Her book, *Business Concepts for Health Care Providers*, was published in 2004.

Joan Slager is currently in her second term as Chair of the Business Section of the Division of Standards and Practice and has also served on the Quality Management Section. She has been a Chapter Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary and serves on the Executive Council of the Michigan Chapters of ACNM.

Fellowship in the American College of Nurse-Midwives (FACNM) is an honor bestowed upon those midwives whose demonstrated leadership, clinical excellence, outstanding scholarship, and professional achievement have merited special recognition both within and outside the midwifery profession. In light of the vast wealth of expertise and collective wisdom represented within the body of Fellows, its mission is to serve the ACNM in a consultative and advisory capacity.

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With roots dating to 1929, the American College of Nurse-Midwives is the oldest women's health care association in the U.S. ACNM's mission is to promote the health and well-being of women and newborns within their families and communities through the development and support of the profession of midwifery as practiced by certified nurse-midwives and certified midwives. Midwives believe every individual has the right to safe, satisfying health care with respect for human dignity and cultural variations. More information about ACNM can be found at [www.midwife.org](http://www.midwife.org).