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AMERICAN COLLEGE OF NURSE-MIDWIVES TO HOST 53rd ANNUAL MEETING & EXHIBIT IN BOSTON MAY 23-29

Silver Spring, MD – The 53rd Annual Meeting & Exhibit of the American College of Nurse-Midwives (ACNM) will take place May 23-29, 2008 at the Boston Sheraton Hotel and Hynes Convention Center. More than 2,000 certified nurse-midwives, certified midwives, women’s health professionals, exhibitors, and speakers are expected to attend, making the event one of the premier in-depth women’s health educational events of 2008.

The ACNM Annual Meeting keynote speaker will be Eugene Declercq, PhD, assistant dean of doctoral education and professor of maternal and child health at the Boston University School of Public Health. The meeting will also feature educational sessions on more than 100 topics given by women’s health experts from around the world, including Judy Norsigian, Aubrey Milunsky, MD, and Byllye Avery.

“Each year, the ACNM Annual Meeting is the leading educational forum on all aspects of women’s health, as well as the nation’s premier networking event and business meeting for the midwifery and women’s health community,” says ACNM Executive Director Lorrie Kline Kaplan.

In conjunction with the ACNM Annual Meeting, ACNM will host its first-ever ACNM Women’s Health Expo on Saturday, May 24 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. This consumer-focused event will be free to the public and will showcase midwives as leading women’s health experts on services ranging from maternity care and well-woman gynecology to primary health care services. This interactive health care event will feature book signings, film screenings, health information, more than 200 women’s health product and service exhibitors, and a chance to interact with national and local women’s health experts.

Registration is required to attend the ACNM Annual Meeting. For more information on the ACNM 53rd Annual Meeting & Exhibit and Women’s Health Expo, or to register now for the Annual Meeting, visit www.midwife.org/am. To arrange interviews with local ACNM members or apply for media credentials, contact ACNM Communications Manager, Rebecca Jacob, at 240-485-1822 or via email at rjacob@acnm.org.

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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.