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Mary Kathleen McHugh Named to ACNM Fellowship

Silver Spring, MD – Mary Kathleen McHugh, CNM, MSN, FACNM of Philadelphia was inducted into the Fellowship of the American College of Nurse-Midwives (FACNM) at the ACNM 53rd Annual Meeting in Boston this May.

Ms. McHugh graduated from the St. Louis University Nurse-Midwifery Program in 1980. She has practiced in a freestanding birth center, tertiary care settings, and community hospitals. As part of a team, Ms. McHugh was on the cutting edge of the development of asynchronous distance learning. She was the education program director of three distance learning nurse-midwifery programs starting with the Frontier School of Midwifery and Family Nursing in the early 1990s. She subsequently co-founded and directed the programs at the Institute of Midwifery, Women, and Health and at Philadelphia University.

Currently Ms. McHugh is on the midwifery graduate faculty of the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing, directs the school's Teacher Education Program, and is involved in several international projects. She has authored all the chapters in the Neonatal Section of the last three editions of *Varney's Midwifery*. Ms. McHugh has been elected to and served as chair of the ACNM Nominating Committee. She was a member of the Education Committee, the Professional Liability Committee, and has served as a member of the Board of Review for the Division of Accreditation. She currently serves on the Division of Education, Section on Basic Education. She served two terms as chapter chair and has been highly involved in legislative efforts in Pennsylvania.

About ACNM Fellowship

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.

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