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## ACNM Welcomes Suzanne Stalls, CNM as Director of Global Outreach Department

**SILVER SPRING, MD**—The American College of Nurse-Midwives announced today the appointment of Suzanne Stalls, CNM as the director of the Department of Global Outreach (DGO).

"Suzanne's rich background is a tremendous asset to ACNM," said ACNM President Melissa Avery, CNM, PhD, FACNM, FAAN. "With her vast experience and network of peers in the international community, she will be able to support our members' efforts in global maternal and child health opportunities and their learning and understanding about international work within women's health."

Stalls arrives at ACNM with a diverse career in women's health care and international relations. She has more than 20 years of experience in program design, service education and clinical training, technical assistance in community based curricula and emergency obstetrics, and evaluation of maternal and child health programs. She is the co-founder and co-director of ZIA, a consulting firm that provides services for maternal/child health and community based organizations in the developing world. In addition, Stalls established and currently serves as the service director for a nurse-midwifery practice in New Mexico; also, she is also a member of the clinical faculty of the University of New Mexico's midwifery program.

"I am excited about working for ACNM," said Stalls. "The Department of Global Outreach, along with our membership, will continue to work with other nationally and globally-based organizations to improve health conditions for women and babies worldwide. Many of our members, in their work, have linked together the fields of midwifery and international health. DGO looks forward to continuing and expanding support of ACNM's members in these efforts."

## **About the ACNM Department of Global Outreach**

Since 1982, the Department of Global Outreach\_has implemented projects and provided technical assistance in more than 30 developing countries. These activities have the common goal of bettering the lives of women and children by strengthening maternal and newborn health, family planning, and other reproductive health services and practices.

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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.

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