

CHRISTY D'AQUILA, CNM

EDUCATION

ASM, Midwives College of Utah, Midwifery, 2022, Salt Lake City, UT

MSN, Nurse-midwifery, Frontier Nursing University, 2020, Hyden, KY

BSN, Nursing, University of Southern Mississippi, 1999, Hattiesburg, MS

BA, Human Development and Social Relations, Earlham College, 1994, Richmond, IN



CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE

Certified and Licensed Nurse-Midwife, 2020-present

Registered Nurse, 1999-2020

- Connecticut current

Neonatal Resuscitation Program, 2008-present

Basic Life Support for the healthcare provider, 2000-present

Certified Monitrice, Birthing Options Childbirth Education Services, 2003

Certified Doula, Association of Labor Assistant and Childbirth Educators, 2000

MIDWIFERY TRAINING

Hospital

Preceptorship: Pioneer Women's Health, October 2019-March 2019, Greenfield, MA

Preceptorship: Franklin Medical Center, October 2019-March 2019, Greenfield, MA

Homebirth

Preceptorship: Birth and Beyond, January 2020-April 2020, Connecticut

Preceptorship: Circle of Life Midwifery, January 2014-May 2015, Connecticut

Group Study and Student Midwife Assistant: Birthing Options, intermittently 2000-2004, Mississippi

Community

Internship: Planned Parenthood, 1994, Baltimore, MD

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Registered Nurse, 2008-2021

- LDRP unit rotating charge, postpartum care, labor and birth, cesarean birth, and level 1 nursery staff nurse

Midwifery Assistant, Birth and Beyond, 2015-2017, throughout Connecticut

- On-call midwife assistant for homebirth labor, birth, and the immediate postpartum

Registered Nurse, 2004-2008

- Staff and charge nurse on a combined adult psychiatric and chemical dependency detox unit

Registered Nurse, Alliance Healthcare, Meridian, MS

- Charge nurse of inpatient adult and adolescent psychiatric units

Registered Nurse, Brentwood Behavioral Healthcare, Flowood, MS

- Charge and staff nurse on inpatient adult and adolescent psychiatric units

Registered Nurse, Pine Grove Behavioral Health, Hattiesburg, MS

- Staff and charge nurse on inpatient adult psychiatric, chemical dependency (acute detox and long-term rehabilitation), & eating disorder units

Registered Nurse, South Central Regional Medical Center, Laurel, MS

- New graduate staff RN and scrub on labor and delivery unit and cesarean section OR



TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Childbirth Educator, 2009-2017, Connecticut

- Birthing from Within™ childbirth education classes provided as private and group classes for parents planning to birth at home, in the hospital, and birth center

Group facilitator, 2003, Hattiesburg, MS

- Created and facilitated group meetings for clients in an intensive inpatient treatment program at Pine Grove Recovery Center Eating Disorder Unit

Teacher's Assistant, Introduction to Psychology, Earlham College, 1993

- Created and facilitated small group discussions with students on a weekly basis

STUDY ABROAD

Israel and the West Bank, Earlham College Peace and Global Studies Program, 1992

Nicaragua election observer, United Methodist Church, 1990

HONORS AND AWARDS

Jessie Smith Noyes Scholarship, Frontier Nursing University, 2019

ANEW Traineeship Scholarship, Frontier Nursing University, 2019

- Awarded based on graduate academic achievement and plans to open a homebirth practice

Mother-Friendly Nurse, Coalition for the Improvement of Maternity Services (CIMS), 2012

- Recognition granted following a panel interview reviewing my daily practice as a maternity care nurse

Academic Awards, University of Southern Mississippi, College of Nursing

- Highest Honors, Highest GPA, President's List, Dean's list, National Dean's List, National Collegiate Nursing Award, Who's Who Among American Colleges and Universities
- Louise M. Hawkins Nursing and Juanita L. Farmer Nursing Scholarships

Department Honors, Human Development and Social Relations, Earlham College, 1994

- Awarded for Senior Comprehensive Analysis *Comparative Management Styles* describing chaos theory and the organizational management style adopted by Planned Parenthood of Maryland

PUBLICATIONS

D'Aquila, C. (2015). An examination of the issues affecting home birth and midwifery in the United States. *Essentially MIDIRS*, 6(1), pp. 8-11.

AFFILIATIONS

American College of Nurse-Midwives, Member

Birthing from Within™, Mentor

National Association of Certified Professional Midwives, Member

CONTINUING EDUCATION

- Inclusion Conference: Dare to Think Different, American College of Nurse-Midwives, Sept. 2020
- How to Start a Birth Center, American Association of Birth Centers, Sept. 2020
- Pain Management and Opioids: Balancing Risks and Benefits, Safe Opioid Prescribing, Nurse Practitioner Healthcare Foundation, Feb. 2019
- Serostatus Matters, Tufts University School of Medicine, Office of Continuing Education (OCE), Jan. 2019
- TB101 for Healthcare Workers, Centers for Disease Control, Jan. 2019
- Spinning Babies, New Haven, CT, Oct. 2013
- Breastfeeding the Gold Standard Conferences, Jackson, MS, 2000-2003
- The Farm Midwifery Assistant I Workshop, Summertown, TN 2002
- The Farm Birth Gazette Conferences, Summertown, TN, 1999, 2000