

# **New York Friends of Midwives; Records**

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## **Summary Information**

**Repository:** M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections & Archives

**Title:** New York Friends of Midwives Records

**ID:** apap403

**Date [inclusive]:** 1978-2010

**Physical Description:** 1.19 cubic ft.

**Physical Location:** The materials are located onsite in the department.

Language of the

Material:

English.

**Abstract:** This collection documents the day-to-day activities of former advocacy

organization, New York Friends of Midwives. New York Friends of Midwives advocated for the birthing rights of mothers and practicing

midwives.

#### **Preferred Citation**

Preferred citation for this material is as follows:

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### **Historical Note**

Founded in 1993, New York Friends of Midwives was formerly the largest consumer advocacy organization for midwifery in the state. Through advocacy work, educational and public outreach, and political activities, the organization provided information about midwifery care and birthing alternatives; supported the independent role of midwives; worked with and challenged the State Board of Midwifery about licensing protocols and education for direct entry midwives; and advocated for midwives that were arrested as a result of the restrictions placed on direct-entry midwives under the Midwifery Practice Act of 1992.

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## **Content Description**

This collection consists of newsletters, subject files, event files, research and history files.

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## **Arrangement of the Collection**

The collection is organized chronologically. There are no series.

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### **Administrative Information**

#### **Publication Statement**

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## **Processing Information**

This collection was processed by Gareth Kaedy in 2023.

#### Access

Access to this collection is unrestricted.

## **Immediate Source of Acquisition**

All items in this collection were donated by Carolyn Keefe in March 2023.

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## **Controlled Access Headings**

- New York Friends of Midwives
- Midwives--New York (State)
- Medicine and Health Care
- Women
- Reproductive rights -- New York (State) -- History
- Saratoga (N.Y.)
- Newsletters
- Correspondence

## **Collection Inventory**

Title/Description	Instances	
Historic Information, 1978-1997Undated	Box 1	Folder 1
Historic Information, Media, 1978-1997Undated	Box 1	Folder 2
NAPSAC News, 199019972000-2001	Box 1	Folder 3
Legislative History of the Professional Midwifery Practice Act (1992), 1991-1997	Box 1	Folder 4

New York Friends of Midwives "Birth & Women's Power," Ina May Gaskin, 1993	Oversize 1	
Advocacy for Direct Entry Midwives, 1993Undated	Box 1	Folder 5
New York Board of Midwifery Meetings, 19931999-2006Undated	Box 1	Folder 6
Events, 1993-19942000-20012007	Box 1	Folder 7
Childbearing Policy within a National Health Program, 1994	Box 1	Folder 8
Unnecessary Cesarean Sections, 1994	Oversize 1	
New York Friends of Midwives Materials , Media Advisories, 19941998Undated	Box 1	Folder 9
About Midwife Arrests, 1994-1997Undated	Box 1	Folder 10
New York Board of Midwifery Correspondence, 1994-19992002-2005	Box 1	Folder 11
New York Friends of Midwives "Midwifery Connection" Newsletter, 1995-1999	Box 1	Folder 12
New York Friends of Midwives Media, 1995-19992002-2004	Box 2	Folder 1
Midwifery in New York State: Comprehensive Report, 1996	Box 2	Folder 2
About New York Friends of Midwives, 19961999Undated	Box 2	Folder 3
About Midwifery Certification, 199619992005	Box 2	Folder 4
"Home Birth" Chapter Reprinted from <i>The Five Standard for Safe Childbearing</i> , 1997	Box 2	Folder 5
"Midwifery" Chapter Reprinted from <i>The Five Standard for Safe</i> Childbearing, 1997	Box 2	Folder 6
Breaking the Barriers to Midwifery Access, 19972000-2004Undated	Box 2	Folder 7
New York Friends of Midwives Notes, 1997-19992003-2005Undated	Box 2	Folder 8
New York Friends of Midwives Correspondence, 19992003-2006	Box 2	Folder 9
Legislative History of the Professional Midwifery Practice Act (1992), 1999-2002Undated	Box 2	Folder 10
New York Friends of Midwives Materials, 2001-2004Undated	Box 2	Folder 11
(brain)Storming the Barriers to Midwifery Access, 2002Undated	Box 2	Folder 12
Midwifery Modernization Act Advocacy (2010), 200220052009-2010Undated	Box 3	Folder 1
Midwifery Survey, 20022006Undated	Box 3	Folder 2
Midwifery Crisis in New York State, 2003Undated	Box 3	Folder 3
New York State Association of Licensed Midwives Meetings, 2008-2009Undated	Box 3	Folder 4

New York Friends of Midwives Stamp, Undated

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