**Section 1110.3110 Introduction**

a) Subpart AF of this Part contains review criteria that pertain to the birth center model category of service. The birth center model category of service is a demonstration program that is authorized by the Alternative Health Care Delivery Act [210 ILCS 3]. Definitions pertaining to this category of service are contained in 77 Ill. Adm. Code 1100 and 1130, and in the Alternative Health Care Delivery Act [210 ILCS 3]. These birth center model review criteria are utilized in addition to the applicable review criteria of Subpart C and 77 Ill. Adm. Code 1120.

b) A Certificate of Need (CON) permit shall be obtained to establish a birth center model. CON application forms are available from HFSRB's website ([www.hfsrb.illinois.gov](http://www.hfsrb.illinois.gov)).

c) Failure to obtain a permit will result in the application of sanctions as provided for in the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Act [20 ILCS 3960].

d) CON applications for permits received for the birth center model shall be deemed complete upon receipt by HFSRB.

e) As the purpose of the demonstration project is to evaluate the birth center model for quality factors, access and the impact on health care costs, each applicant approved for the category of service will be required to periodically submit data necessary for evaluating the model's effectiveness.

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